# The earth has yielded its fruit, may God, our God, bless us!



# Psalms and Readings to help us to pray

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts be open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

O God, come to my aid.
O Lord, make haste to help me.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
And to the Holy Spirit;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
World without end, amen. Alleluia.

Morning has broken like the first morning Blackbird has spoken like the first bird Praise for the singing Praise for the morning Praise for them springing fresh from the Word

Sweet the rain's new fall, sunlit from heaven Like the first dewfall on the first grass Praise for the sweetness of the wet garden Sprung in completeness where His feet pass

Mine is the sunlight
Mine is the morning
Born of the one light Eden saw play
Praise with elation, praise ev'ry morning
God's recreation of the new day

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#### I will sing praise to my God as long as I live.

- <sup>1</sup>O LORD my God, you are very great; you are clothed with splendour and majesty.
- <sup>2</sup> He wraps himself in light as with a garment; he stretches out the heavens like a tent
- <sup>3</sup> He makes the clouds his chariot and rides on the wings of the wind.
- <sup>4</sup> He makes winds his messengers, flames of fire his servants.
- <sup>5</sup> He set the earth on its foundations; it can never be moved.
- <sup>6</sup> You covered it with the deep as with a garment; the waters stood above the mountains.
- <sup>7</sup> But at your rebuke the waters fled, at the sound of your thunder they took to flight;
- <sup>8</sup> they flowed over the mountains down into the valleys, to the place you assigned for them.
- <sup>9</sup> You set a boundary they cannot cross; never again will they cover the earth.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, And to the Holy Spirit; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, World without end, amen.

#### Lord, send forth your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.

- <sup>10</sup> He makes springs pour water into the ravines; it flows between the mountains.
- 11 They give water to all the beasts of the field; the wild donkeys quench their thirst.
- <sup>12</sup> The birds of the air nest by the waters; they sing among the branches.
- <sup>13</sup> He waters the mountains from his upper chambers; the earth is satisfied by the fruit of his work.
- <sup>14</sup> He makes grass grow for the cattle, plants for man to cultivate, bringing forth food from the earth:
- <sup>15</sup> wine that gladdens the heart of man, oil to make his face shine, and bread that sustains his heart.
- <sup>16</sup> The trees of the LORD are well watered, the cedars of Lebanon that he planted.
- <sup>17</sup> There the birds make their nests; the stork has its home in the pine trees.
- <sup>18</sup> The high mountains belong to the wild goats; the crags are a refuge for the rock badger

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#### A Reading from the Book of Deuteronomy (11:8-15)

Observe therefore all the commands I am giving you today, so that you may have the strength to go in and take over the land that you are crossing Jordan to possess, and so that you may live long in the land that the LORD swore to your forefathers to give to them and their descendants, a land flowing with milk and honey.

The land you are entering to take over is not like the land of Egypt, from which you have come, where you planted your seed and irrigated it by foot as in a vegetable garden.

But the land you are crossing the Jordan to take possession of is a land of mountains and valleys that drinks rain from heaven.

It is a land the LORD your God cares for; the eyes of the LORD your God are continually on it from the beginning of the year to its end.

So if you faithfully obey the commands I am giving you today - to love the LORD your God and to serve him with all your heart and with all your soul - then I will send rain on your land in its season, both autumn and spring rains, so that you may gather in your grain, new wine and oil. I will provide grass in the fields for your cattle, and you will eat and be satisfied.

## **Spontaneous prayers**:

After each prayer we may respond -

"Lord, hear us."

## Afterwards we say together:

Our Father, Who art in Heaven, hallowed be Thy name; Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. Amen.

"O God, by whose help we sow seeds in the earth that will grow by the effect of your power, grant that what we know to be lacking in our labours may be supplied abundantly by you, for you alone give increase.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever."

The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases. His mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning, new every morning: great is your faithfulness, O Lord, great is your faithfulness!

Map the grace of our Lord, Jesus Christ, And the love of God, And the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,

Now and for ever. Amen.

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