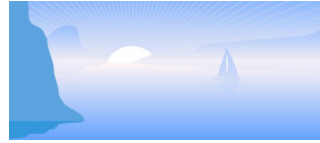


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## PRAYER

*“I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills. From whence cometh my help? My help cometh from the LORD, who made heaven and earth.” Psalm 121:1-2 (KJV)*

In my prayer devotional, there’s a prayer that starts - “Lord, my prayers are not answered because of *what* I know, but because of *who* I know.” I know that Jesus came so that we could be set free from our sin that leads to death and become righteous in God’s sight that leads to eternal life. But there’s more so much more than that first day when we receive Jesus as our Savior. Through Jesus we have access to the very throne of God. **I Timothy 2:5** says, *“For there is one God, and one mediator between God and men, the man, Christ Jesus.”* Through Jesus we receive the Holy Spirit and have the capability to bear fruit.

Through Jesus there’s ability to understand His Word, for we may walk in His Light (**I John 1:7**); through Jesus we may become a light to others as we follow Him (**Matthew 5:14**); through Jesus we may intercede for others, and through Jesus we are exceedingly blessed (**2 Peter 1:4**). Also look at **John 14:6** where Jesus said to Thomas, “. . . *I am the way, the truth, and the life; no man comes to the Father but by me.*”

If we do not have Jesus, everything is turned around. Without Jesus we cannot come to God in prayer or even praise or thank Him; without Jesus our death will be a tragedy; without Jesus we will not understand God’s Word; without Jesus our life will have no meaning and the good we try to do will only be temporary; without Jesus we will be unable to glorify God; without Jesus we will be as filthy rags in His sight, and without Jesus there will be no real joy, love, peace or hope.

This Lenten Season is good for all of us to look again at what Jesus means to this world. We are all lost without His wonderful mercy and grace. This time I wish to also end with a verse:

*“In the past God spoke to our forefathers through the prophets at many times and in various ways, but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, and through whom he made the universe. The Son is the radiance of God’s glory and the exact representation of his being, sustaining all things by his powerful word. After he had provided purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty in heaven.” Hebrews 1:1-3*

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