

Connect Prayers for Day 1

The Start: Producing Fruit

Prayer: *Lord, let this week be one of spiritual growth for me.*

Matthew 21:43. I tell you... the kingdom of God will be taken from you and given to a people who will produce its fruit.

Meditate: Henri Nouwen: A Christian is only a Christian when they unceasingly ask critical questions of the society in which they live and continuously stresses the necessity for conversion not only of the individual but also of the world.. They remain dissatisfied with the status quo and believe they have an essential role to play in the realization of the new world to come—even if they cannot say how that world will come about.

Invite the Lord to guide you into dissatisfaction and response today.

The Middle: Servant King

If you know the tune, sing this over in your mind or out loud:

This is our God, the Servant—King
He call us now to follow Him
And give our lives, as a daily offering,...
... of worship to the Servant King.



The End: A Lent Prayer from Isaiah 58:6

Merciful God, you loose the bonds of injustice
and let the oppressed go free:
give us the will to share our bread with the hungry
and to give shelter to the homeless poor,
for thus your glory shall be revealed;
through Jesus our Lord.