

Friday
March 20for courage to contend
for righteousness

*The LORD reigns, let the earth rejoice...
His lightnings lit up the world. The earth saw and trembled.
The mountains melted like wax...at the presence of the Lord of the whole earth.
The heavens declare His righteousness, and all the peoples have seen His glory...
Hate evil, you who love the LORD, who preserves the souls of His godly ones...
Light is sown like seed for the righteous and gladness for the upright in heart.*

– Psalm 97:1, 4-6, 10-11

You will come like a lightning blast at the final hour, lighting up the world with mountain-melting judgment. Your judgment will be so perfect and so powerful that the earth won't know whether to tremble or to cheer. We delight in Your wondrous judgment. Give us ears to hear the heavens sing of the glory of Your righteousness. Give us eyes to see You even now confronting evil and setting things right. Sprinkle bits of the last-day lightning in our hearts, as if You were planting seeds of light. Cause these seeds to sprout like living hope, strengthening Your people to stand against evil, to work for justice and to welcome Your coming day.

Now He was telling them a parable to show that at all times they ought to pray and not to lose heart.

– Luke 18:1

Some of us have lost hope that You will bring forth justice before the end of the age. Give us stalwart hearts to pursue the prayers of Your righteous purpose until You come. *Pray:*

- for Christ to encourage those weary in the struggle for righteousness.
- for Christians to be persistent and patient in crying out for justice.

Let the little children come to Me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these.

– Mark 10:14 NIV

Seeking God for... **Children**

Pray that children will hear the gospel and encounter Christ early in life; that God's fatherly heart will be revealed to kids, especially to those who may have been wounded or disappointed by their parents; for family stability; for excellence in education;

for wisdom to be formed in their early years; for safety from perversion and violence.

Prayerwalk: Pray for kids in your neighborhood or pray near schools and playgrounds in any part of town. Pray for the entire family that surrounds the children that you see.



...on behalf of **Africa**

Rwanda, Saint Helena, São Tomé and Príncipe, Senegal, Seychelles, Sierra Leone, Somalia, South Africa