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# Silence

Breathe in: *Lord I believe...*  
Breathe out: *...help my unbelief.*

Mark 9:24



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Oh Spirit of God  
Speak Your peace, speak Your peace  
Oh Spirit of God  
Speak Your peace, speak Your peace

Now and at the hour of our death  
Amen, amen  
Now and at the hour of our death  
Amen

**Now and at The Hour**

*by John Arndt, David Gungor*

Oh merciful God  
Forgive us, forgive us  
Oh merciful God  
Forgive us, forgive us

For all the things we have done  
And left undone  
For all the things we have done  
And left undone

**Now and at The Hour**

*by John Arndt, David Gungor*

Oh Son of God  
Rescue us, rescue us  
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Rescue us, rescue us

Now and at the hour of our death  
Amen, amen  
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All creatures of our God and King  
Lift up your voices; let them ring  
Fill the earth with lamentation!

Cry out abuses of our pow'r  
Tell what we lose with every hour  
To our greed and depredation

Lord, have mercy  
Christ, have mercy  
Lord, have mercy!

## All Creatures Lament

*by Isaac Wardell Kate Bluett Paul Zach*



All creatures winging in the air  
Cry out the failures of our care  
Fill the sky with lamentation!

Shout through the clouds of smoke and ash  
Choked with the fumes of poison gas  
Tell us of our degradation

Lord, have mercy  
Christ, have mercy  
Lord, have mercy!

# All Creatures Lament

*by Isaac Wardell Kate Bluett Paul Zach*

All creatures hidden in the seas  
Lift up your anguished prayers and pleas  
Fill the sea with lamentation!

Teach us to see your wonders now  
Help us to make a holy vow  
Here to halt your devastation

Lord, have mercy  
Christ, have mercy  
Lord, have mercy!

# All Creatures Lament

*by Isaac Wardell Kate Bluett Paul Zach*

All creatures dwelling on the land  
Join as we lift each heart and hand  
Fill the world with lamentation!

Mourn the destruction of our home  
Weep with the fear of worse to come  
Hear the groans of all creation

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Christ, have mercy  
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Lord, we confess our sins before you.

We confess that we have fallen short of your glory and your intent for our lives.

Open our eyes that we may see ourselves with clarity and truthfulness,  
that we may have eyes to see those things within us that are not pleasing to you.

[silent reflection]

Prayer of Confession

Lord, we confess to you that we have not loved as we ought.

We have been impatient with others with whom we could have been patient.

We have disregarded those you have called us to serve.

We have chosen the selfish way when you have called us to selflessness.

[silent reflection]

Prayer of Confession

Lord, we confess that we have not tended to the care of our souls.  
We have been too busy to pray.  
We have been too quick to speak and too slow to listen for you.  
We have filled our lives with all kinds of noise  
instead of patiently waiting like sheep for our shepherd's voice.

[silent reflection]

Prayer of Confession

Lord, we confess our need of you.

We need your grace.

We need your patience.

We need your guidance.

We cannot see beyond the moment.

We cannot worship you as we ought.

As we begin this solemn journey toward the cross,  
we call upon your mercy and your love for our salvation.

[silent reflection]

Prayer of Confession





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Have mercy on me, oh God  
According to Your unfailing love  
According to Your great compassion  
Blot out my transgressions

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## White as Snow (Psalm 51)

*by Jon Foreman*

Would You create in me a clean heart, oh, God?  
Restore in me the joy of Your salvation  
Would You create in me a clean heart, oh, God?  
Restore in me the joy of my salvation

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The sacrifices of our God  
Are a broken and a contrite heart  
Against You and You alone  
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Wash me white as snow  
And I will be made whole  
Wash me white as snow  
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# Passing of the Peace

*The peace of Christ be with you.*

*And also with you.*



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Where's Your Treasure At?

*Ken Hsu*

## Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21

1 “Be careful not to practice your righteousness in front of others to be seen by them. If you do, you will have no reward from your Father in heaven.

2 “So when you give to the needy, do not announce it with trumpets, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and on the streets, to be honored by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward in full. 3 But when you give to the needy, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing, 4 so that your giving may be in secret. Then your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you.

5 “And when you pray, do not be like the hypocrites, for they love to pray standing in the synagogues and on the street corners to be seen by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward in full. 6 But when you pray, go into your room, close the door and pray to your Father, who is unseen. Then your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you.

## **Matthew 6:1-6, 19-21**

16 “When you fast, do not look somber as the hypocrites do, for they disfigure their faces to show others they are fasting. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward in full. 17 But when you fast, put oil on your head and wash your face, 18 so that it will not be obvious to others that you are fasting, but only to your Father, who is unseen; and your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you.

19 “Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moths and vermin destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. 20 But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where moths and vermin do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal. 21 For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

## 2 Corinthians 4:16-18

16 Therefore we do not lose heart. Though outwardly we are wasting away, yet inwardly we are being renewed day by day. 17 For our light and momentary troubles are achieving for us an eternal glory that far outweighs them all. 18 So we fix our eyes not on what is seen, but on what is unseen, since what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal.

# Lenten Practices

*Katie Hiew*

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## Memorize

- Psalm 23
- Matthew 5:3-12
- Philippians 4:4-9

## Read

- Email Ken Hsu to request a book

## Reflect

- Weekly journaling/discussion prompts posted on Oikonomist blog





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# Imposition of Ashes

*Almighty God, you have created us out of the dust of the earth. Grant that these ashes may be to us a sign of our mortality and penitence, so that we may remember that only by your gracious gift are we given everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Savior.*

**Amen.**

# Imposition of Ashes

*Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return.*

From dust we've come and dust we are and shall return  
Be still my soul and let it go, just let it go

Glory to God, glory to God in the highest  
Glory to God, glory to God in the highest

# Dust We Are and Shall Return

*by John Arndt, David Gungor, Kate Gungor*

Naked we came and shall return into the grave  
Be still my soul and let it go, just let it go

Glory to God, glory to God in the highest  
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# Dust We Are and Shall Return

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Be still my soul, Lord make me whole  
Lord make me whole  
Be still my soul, Lord make me whole  
Lord make me whole  
Lord make me whole  
Be still my soul, Lord make me whole  
Lord make me whole

Glory to God, glory to God  
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Will we ever rise  
Will we ever rise above the fear  
Can we learn to see the need  
Can we share humanity  
I can see another day come

Broken people we can be made whole  
We can be made whole, we can be made whole  
As we lay down our weapons, open up our hearts  
Love is breaking us, love remaking us

# Will We Ever Rise (Broken People)

*by Ben Fielding, David Gungor, John Arndt*



Will we ever rise  
Will we ever rise above the pain  
Can we learn another way  
Forgive as you forgave  
I can see another day come

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Come heal now, take away the blindness  
So we can see as we were meant to see  
I feel light devastating darkness  
For I can see another day come  
I can see another day come

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In the footsteps of centuries of pilgrims,  
go now to embark on your Lenten journey.

Consider how you may simplify your days,  
so that you may travel lightly.

Be alert to all that could side-track you:  
notice that which beckons alluringly,  
or with apparently greater urgency,  
than the pilgrim journey Christ invites.

Do not try to cover more than one good day's journey at a time.

Know when to stop for food and sleep,  
so that the journey will not be too great for you.

Walk humbly, knowing that the goal  
is not recognition, achievement or reward,  
but simply to have come to know Christ  
and yourself more intimately.

Benediction

Be on the lookout for other pilgrims,  
caring for those who limp, or fall;  
those who cannot see the way forward:  
pilgrimage is richer in community.

Go now: place your hand  
into the outstretched hand of Jesus Christ,  
allow the words of the story to guide you,  
and pray for purity of heart and mind.

Amen.

*by Ann Siddal*

Benediction



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