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*night; in the morning my spirit longs for You. When Your judgments come upon the earth, the people of the world learn righteousness."* Isaiah 26:7-9

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*"Now the son of an Israelite mother and an Egyptian father went out among the Israelites, and a fight broke out in the camp between him and an Israelite. The son of the Israelite woman blasphemed the Name with a curse, so they brought him to Moses. (His mother's name was Shelomith, the daughter of Dibri the Danite.) They put him in custody until the will of the LORD should be made clear to them. Then the LORD said to Moses: 'Take the blasphemer outside the camp. All those who heard him are to lay their hands on his head, and the entire assembly is to stone him. Say to the Israelites: 'If anyone curses his God, he will be held responsible; anyone who blasphemes the Name of the LORD must be put to death. The entire assembly must stone him. Whether an alien or native-born, when he blasphemes the Name, he must be put to death. '"* Leviticus 24:10-16

*"This, then, is how you should pray. 'Our Father in heaven, hallowed be Your Name, Your Kingdom come, Your will be done on earth as it is in Heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one.'"*

The Lord's Prayer, Matthew 6:9-13

*"Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength. "* Mark 12:30

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*"Now all has been heard; here is the conclusion of the matter Fear God and keep His Commandments, for this is the whole duty of man."* Ecclesiastes 12:13

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