

FINAL THOUGHTS LUKE 18:9-14 p. 1,628

"Reformed Always Reforming"

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD IN SONG

"A Mighty Fortress is Our God " #260

A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing;

Our helper He, amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing:

For still our ancient foe doth seek to work us woe;

His craft and power are great, and, armed with cruel hate,

On earth is not his equal.

Did we in our own strength confide, our striving would be losing;

Were not the right Man on our side, the Man of God's own choosing:

Dost ask who that may be? Christ Jesus, it is He;

Lord Sabaoth, His Name, from age to age the same,

And He must win the battle.

And though this world, with devils filled, should threaten to undo us,

We will not fear, for God hath willed His truth to triumph through us:

The Prince of Darkness grim, we tremble not for him;

His rage we can endure, for lo, his doom is sure,

One little word shall fell him.

That word above all earthly powers, no thanks to them, abideth;

The Spirit and the gifts are ours through Him Who with us sideth:

Let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also;

The body they may kill: God's truth abideth still,

His kingdom is forever.

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COMMISSION AND BLESSING

SUNG RESPONSE

"Say He Will Come"

Say He will come, pray He will come to a sin filled world with love.

Chosen one, sent from our God above.

Say He will come, pray He will come and bring peace to all who believe.

Chosen one, sent from our God in love.

Say He will come, pray He will come and bring joy to all who believe.

Holy One, sent to bring peace and love.

OCTOBER 26TH 2025 –10:15AM

PRELUDE: *"My Shepherd Will Supply My Need"* – arr. D. Dorthy

GREETINGS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

FIRST THOUGHTS Luke 11:1-4 p. 1,613

"The Lord's Prayer"

PRAISING OUR GOD IN SONG

"God is Here" #461

God is here! As we Your people Meet to offer praise and prayer,

May we find in fuller measure What it is in Christ we share.

Here, as in the world around us, All our varied skills and arts

Wait the coming of the Spirit Into open minds and hearts.

Here are symbols to remind us Of our lifelong need of grace;

Here are table, font, and pulpit; Here the cross has central place.

Here in honesty of preaching, Here in silence, as in speech,

Here, in newness and renewal, God the Spirit comes to each.

Here our children find a welcome In the Shepherd's flock and fold,

Here, as bread and wine are taken, Christ sustains us as of old.

Here the servants of the Servant Seek in worship to explore

What it means in daily living To believe and to adore.

Lord of all, of church and kingdom, In an age of change and doubt

Keep us faithful to the gospel, Help us work Your purpose out.

Here, in this day's dedication, All we have to give, receive;

We, who cannot live without You, We adore you! We believe!

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PASSING OF THE PEACE

(L) The Peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all

(R) And also with you.

PROFESSING OUR FAITH (*Apostles' Creed*)

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, one holy universal Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

FURTHER THOUGHTS Luke 18:9-14 p.1,628

(L) The word of the Lord. (R) Thanks be to God.

SPECIAL MUSIC

"Thy Will Be Done"

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD IN SONG

"How Firm a Foundation" #361

**How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord,
Is laid for your faith in God's excellent Word!
What more can be said than to you God hath said,
To you, who for refuge to Jesus have fled?
"Fear not, I am with thee, O be not dismayed,
For I am thy God and will still give thee aid;
I'll strengthen thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand,
Upheld by My righteous, omnipotent hand.
"When through the deep waters I call thee to go,
The rivers of sorrow shall not overflow;
For I will be near thee, thy troubles to bless,
And sanctify to thee thy deepest distress.
"When through fiery trials thy pathway shall lie,
My grace, all-sufficient, shall be thy supply;
The flame shall not hurt thee; I only design
Thy dross to consume, and thy gold to refine.**

The soul that on Jesus hath leaned for repose,

I will not, I will not desert to its foes;

That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,

I'll never, no never, no never forsake."

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REFORMATION PRAYER OF REPENTANCE

(Prayer by John Calvin, 1542)

"O Lord, with heartfelt sorrow we repent and deplore our offenses. We condemn ourselves and our evil ways, with true penitence, entreating that your grace may relieve our distress. Be pleased to have compassion on us, O most gracious God, Father of all mercies, for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. And as you remove our guilt and our pollution, grant us the daily increase of the grace of your Holy Spirit, that acknowledging from our inmost hearts our own unrighteousness, we may be touched with sorrow that shall work true repentance, and that, mortifying all sins within us, your Spirit may produce the fruits of holiness and righteousness well-pleasing in your sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen."

SUNG RESPONSE

"Give Thanks"

**Give thanks with a grateful heart, Give thanks to the Holy One,
Give thanks because God's given Jesus Christ His Son.
And now, let the weak say, "I am strong" Let the poor say, "I am rich"
Because of what the Lord has done for us.
Give thanks with a grateful heart, Give thanks to the Holy One,
Give thanks because God's given Jesus Christ His Son.
Give thanks, Give thanks, Give thanks.**

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OFFERING OUR LIVES TO GOD

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors, and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For yours is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen.