



Day 26: RIVERS OF LIVING WATER

John 7:8

Whoever believes in me, as Scripture has said,
rivers of living water will flow from within them.

DAY 26 MORNING PRAYER:

Ps 34 (second half)

I will extol Yahweh all times; his praise will always be on my lips.

¹¹ Come, my children, listen to me;

I will teach you the fear of the LORD.

¹² Whoever of you loves life

and desires to see many good days,

¹³ keep your tongue from evil

and your lips from telling lies.

I will extol Yahweh all times; his praise will always be on my lips.

¹⁴ Turn from evil and do good;

seek peace and pursue it.

¹⁵ The eyes of the LORD are on the righteous,

and his ears are attentive to their cry;

¹⁶ but the face of the LORD is against those who do evil,

to blot out their name from the earth.

I will extol Yahweh all times; his praise will always be on my lips.

¹⁷ The righteous cry out, and the LORD hears them;

he delivers them from all their troubles.

¹⁸ The LORD is close to the brokenhearted

and saves those who are crushed in spirit.

I will extol Yahweh all times; his praise will always be on my lips.

¹⁹ The righteous person may have many troubles,

but the LORD delivers him from them all;

²⁰ he protects all his bones,

not one of them will be broken.

I will extol Yahweh all times; his praise will always be on my lips.

²¹ Evil will slay the wicked;

the foes of the righteous will be condemned.

²² The LORD will rescue his servants;

no one who takes refuge in him will be condemned.

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever.**

Amen.

I will extol Yahweh all times; his praise will always be on my lips.

MEDIATION

WHAT YOU HAVE IS FOR WHAT EVERY SOUL IS SEARCHING, HEART OF MY LONGING.

What you have been given in the gift of faith in Jesus is the most important gift anyone can receive in their life. Souls might be convinced otherwise. These souls have boughten the lie of the Father of Lies. There is only one that can give you life and life to the fullest, and that one is Jesus. What he offers, none offers. You have received the gift of eternal life which Jesus offers. When that happened, both in your baptism and every time you surrender again to Me, I pour into you as a gushing, torrential river bringing you life, but I also want to flow from you, that others might have the same life you have been given. There are souls that are waiting for you to share with them what you have found in Jesus. You are the one that is being sent to them. I have placed you in their life and you have built trusting relationships with many. Out of your relationship they can hear you. Though the river of life is within you it does not need to all flow out at once upon them. Little seeds produce large trees. So many souls hold back the river of life that wants to flow out of them to others. Because of this, souls do not receive what believers enjoy. Let the river flow, Heart of My Longing. Do not hold it back.

It is mostly out of fear that people hold back from sharing their testimony of what Jesus has done for them. If their eternal salvation was hinged on you having the right words that would be a lot of pressure that would cause someone to withhold. They also could be concerned that the person with whom they are sharing could become bothered by what they have to say. Again, the pressure is on you. All I need you to do is allow Me to flow from you to them. Simply say a prayer of allowing Me to reach them and then let me use you. You will be surprised at what I can do through you if you allow Me, but if you are more consumed with how you feel and what you want, then this could prove to be quite difficult. Here is the plan: 1st, make sure that your heart is in a state to love the person to whom I have sent you. 2nd, ask Me to use you to reach them, trusting that I know what I am doing because I know that soul in front of you better than they know themselves. 3rd, let go and, again, trust that whatever happens when you share, I can use it to lead that soul to Jesus. Know this – I am good at reaching souls and I am good at using people just like you to reach souls. What do you think is My next word to you, Disciple of Jesus? The word is – trust. Trust Me that there is a river in you wanting to flow out of you. Trust Me that I can use someone just like you, and I can use you to the point of where you will be amazed. There is one thing needed – trust. To truly be able to trust you have to do something that causes you to trust Me. Today, look for the opportunity to trust Me, then step out and watch Me use you.

JOURNAL EXERCISE:

Write a simple testimony of what Jesus has done for you. With what believer can you share this testimony so as to practice and get comfortable in talking to others about Jesus?

Make a list of people you know with whom you could share Jesus. Start praying for them to be open and receive what you have to share.

Write a prayer asking the Holy Spirit to give you the grace to share your faith in Jesus with others:

Spiritual Exercise

Throughout the day make it your constant aim to pray the Declaration for the Day.

Try to memorize the scripture for today.

With whom can you share today's experience with the Holy Spirit?

DECLARATION FOR DAY 26:

Throughout the day come back to this prayer and pray it from your heart.

I am eager for the Holy Spirit
to send me souls with whom I can share my
faith in Jesus.



DAY 26 EVENING PRAYER:

John 7:8

Whoever believes in me, as Scripture has said, rivers of living water will flow from within them.

Prayer for the Sanctification Gifts of the Spirit

Come, Holy Spirit,

fall afresh on us with all your heavenly graces.

Grant to me an increase of

Fear of the Lord that I stand before you with great honor and respect;

Grant to me an increase of

Piety that I might enjoy the gift of you being my Father and me being your son/daughter.

Grant to me an increase of

Counsel so that I might know your will.

Grant to me an increase of

Wisdom that I might know how to do your will, when to do your will, where to do your will, and with whom to do your will.

Grant to me an increase of

Fortitude that I might do your will with your strength for I am unable to do your will with my strength.

Grant to me an increase of

Knowledge that I might know beyond knowing, in the depths of my being that your truths are truly true.

Grant to me an increase of

Understanding that I might comprehend the knowledge of you that is beyond human understanding.

REVIEW OF DAY:

What sticks out to you from today's encounter with the Holy Spirit?

How do you think today's encounter with the Holy Spirit will affect your life?

With whom did you share today's encounter? How did they respond?

Prayer of Cardinal Mercier to the Holy Spirit

O Holy Spirit
Beloved of my soul
I adore you.
Enlighten Me
Guide Me,
strengthen Me and Console me.
Tell me what I ought to do
and command me to do it.
I promise to submit to everything
that you ask of me
and to accept all
that you allow to happen to me.
Just show me what is your will.

