

# DAY 41: MANIFESTATIONS

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is given for the common good.

## **DAY 41 MORNING PRAYER**

### **Psalm 139**

**You hem me in behind and before, and you lay your hand upon me.**

<sup>1</sup> You have searched me, LORD,  
and you know me.

<sup>2</sup> You know when I sit and when I rise;  
you perceive my thoughts from afar.

<sup>3</sup> You discern my going out and my lying down;  
you are familiar with all my ways.

<sup>4</sup> Before a word is on my tongue  
you, LORD, know it completely.

**You hem me in behind and before, and you lay your hand upon me.**

<sup>5</sup> You hem me in behind and before,  
and you lay your hand upon me.

<sup>6</sup> Such knowledge is too wonderful for me,  
too lofty for me to attain.

<sup>7</sup> Where can I go from your Spirit?  
Where can I flee from your presence?

<sup>8</sup> If I go up to the heavens, you are there;  
if I make my bed in the depths, you are there.

**You hem me in behind and before, and you lay your hand upon me.**

<sup>9</sup> If I rise on the wings of the dawn,  
if I settle on the far side of the sea,

<sup>10</sup> even there your hand will guide me,  
your right hand will hold me fast.

<sup>11</sup> If I say, "Surely the darkness will hide me  
and the light become night around me,"

<sup>12</sup> even the darkness will not be dark to you;  
the night will shine like the day,  
for darkness is as light to you.

**You hem me in behind and before, and you lay your hand upon me.**

<sup>13</sup> For you created my inmost being;  
you knit me together in my mother's womb.

<sup>14</sup> I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made;  
your works are wonderful,  
I know that full well.

<sup>15</sup> My frame was not hidden from you  
when I was made in the secret place,  
when I was woven together in the depths of the earth.

<sup>16</sup> Your eyes saw my unformed body;  
all the days ordained for me were written in your book  
before one of them came to be.

**You hem me in behind and before, and you lay your hand upon me.**

17 How precious to me are your thoughts,<sup>[a]</sup> God!

How vast is the sum of them!

18 Were I to count them,  
they would outnumber the grains of sand—  
when I awake, I am still with you.

19 If only you, God, would slay the wicked!  
Away from me, you who are bloodthirsty!

20 They speak of you with evil intent;  
your adversaries misuse your name.

**You hem me in behind and before, and you lay your hand upon me.**

21 Do I not hate those who hate you, LORD,  
and abhor those who are in rebellion against you?

22 I have nothing but hatred for them;  
I count them my enemies.

23 Search me, God, and know my heart;  
test me and know my anxious thoughts.

24 See if there is any offensive way in me,  
and lead me in the way everlasting.

**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.**

**You hem me in behind and before, and you lay your hand upon me.**

## **MEDITATION**

**LET ME MANIFEST MY LOVE THROUGH YOU, HEART OF MY LONGING.** Today is the second day of our nine-day novena, and we take one step closer to the Fiftieth Day. It is My prayer that as much joyful expectation is rising in your heart, as it is rising in My heart. I cannot wait to give more and more of Myself to you. As you know, it is hard for Me to hold Myself back because everything in Me wants to rush forth, pouring Myself into you, deepening our intimacy. Again, the nature of love is to show the other how much they are loved. This is the first reason I pour Myself out through spiritual gifts. I want people to experience My presence, which is love. Everything that I do I do to demonstrate to you how much you are loved. Do not take what I have just said to lightly. Everything I do is done out of love. Keep the Way of Love always before your eyes as you consider all that is about Us, the Trinity.

My nine gifts by which I manifest My love to My people are Word of Wisdom and Word of Knowledge, and Faith; Healings, Miracles, and Prophecy; Discernment of Spirits, Speaking in Tongues, and Interpretation of Tongues. These nine gifts manifest My love by making My love tangible through revelation and power. These gifts manifest My presence and power to the point that even the unbeliever will confess, *“Surely, God is in their midst.”* I want to be so real through you that My people know that I am unmistakably with them. To do this, I need you to be the one through which I move to reveal My love. Yes, in the beginning this might be scary for you. You might think to yourself, *“Who am I that I think I could pray for the sick and they will be healed?”* Who are you? *“Why would God use me to speak as a prophet to one of His sons or daughters.”* Why? Read no further. Stop, and remember all that we have explored together. We have looked at your identity and what happened to you in the waters of baptism. You, yes, you are a child of the Father, and as He sent Jesus, He is sending you, and He has given you all you need – Me. I am with you. I will teach you how to manifest My presence and power. Right from the start know that you will make mistakes and sometimes you will come out looking really foolish. Hear Me, *“When*

*this happens do not weaken in faith, do not pull back and withdraw from taking that trusting step one more time. These moments are graced moments for you will be humbled and tested to see if you will stand in faith even at the expense of your ego.”* Now, that is preparing you for the future with a dose of reality. Can you still trust Me?

It is important that you realize, though, that the gifts are not for your glory. They are given for the common good, for the good of others, for the good of the Church, to build her up into the stature of the fullness of Christ. Allow Me to touch and handle My people with love through the manifestation of the gifts through you, Heart of My Longing. Treat them with great respect and love. Be gentle and patient as most souls to whom I will send you are broken and hurt. Because of the radical move of love that I will pour through you it could be easy for you to take the glory. Think of it. I am about to so use you in ways where we will be side by side. Simply by allowing your heart to stand in awe when I manifest My love and turning that into worship will keep you from using the gifts for your glory. The Way of Humility is practiced by keeping one's eyes on the beauty and splendor of the other – Me and the Bride.

**JOURNAL EXERCISE:**

What insight did you receive about the Holy Spirit in this meditation?

What do you learn in regards to the gifts in this meditation?

Write a prayer to the Holy Spirit asking Him to invite you into even deeper levels of trustful surrender so as to used in the exercise of the gifts:

## **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 41:**

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

I am preparing and opening my heart to  
receive the grace of the Baptism of the Holy  
Spirit in 9 Days.



### **DAY 41 EVENING PRAYER:**

1 Cor 12:7

Now to each one the manifestation of the Spirit is given for the common good.

### **Act of Consecration to the Holy Spirit**

On my knees before the great multitude of heavenly witnesses -  
the Glorious Theotokos, the God Bearer, the Mother of God;  
with the Seraphim and Cherubim;  
with Thrones, Dominions, Virtues and Powers;  
with Archangels, Principalities, and Guardian Angels;  
and all the Saints.

I offer myself, spirit, soul, and body to You,

Eternal Spirit, Lover of My Soul.

I adore the brightness of Your purity,  
the unerring keenness of Your justice,  
and the might of Your love.

You are the Strength and Light of my all I am.  
In You I live, and move, and have my being.  
I desire never to grieve You by unfaithfulness to Your grace

and I pray with all my heart to be kept from the smallest sin against You. Merciful Spirit of Truth,  
guard my every Thought and grant that I may always watch for Your light,  
listening to Your voice,  
following Your gracious inspirations.

I cling to Your covenant and give to You,  
myself,  
completely,  
without reserve,  
Love of my love,  
Life within my life.  
I ask You in Your infinite compassion to watch over me for I am weak and small.  
I need Your help, Holy Spirit.

Gazing with love and gratitude upon the Cross,  
holding the pierced feet of Jesus,  
looking at his five wounds,  
trusting in his precious blood,  
and adoring his open side and pierced heart,  
I implore You,  
Spirit of Oblation,  
You who are worthy of my adoration,  
Helper of in my infirmity,  
to keep me in Your Divine Life of sanctifying grace that I may never sin against You ever again.

Holy Spirit, Triune God,  
Spirit of the Father and the Son,  
help me to pray to You in all situations,  
*“Speak Lord for your servant is listening,”*  
that I might always know and do the Father’s will in all things and at all times.  
In Jesus name.  
Amen.

**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?

## **Come, Holy Spirit**

Come Holy Spirit,  
fill the hearts of your faithful,  
and kindle in them the fire of Your Love.  
Send forth Your Spirit and they shall be created,  
and You shall renew the face of the earth.  
Oh God, Who by the light of the Holy Spirit  
instructed the hearts of the faithful,  
grant, that by the same Spirit  
we may be truly wise and ever rejoice in His consolation.  
We ask this through Christ Our Lord.  
Amen.

## **Further Thoughts:**