

2nd PRAYER PROMPTS – March 29 – April 4

QUOTE: “The concern of the devil is to keep Christians from praying. He fears nothing from prayerless studies, prayerless work, and prayerless religion.....but trembles when we pray.” Samuel Chadwick

KNOWING GOD BETTER. Read ISAIAH 40:28 - 31.

What does the name “everlasting God” mean to you? Try out “always God” – always has been, always will be. Always!

What else do you learn about God in these few verses?

What does this “always God” promise to each of us in verses 29 & 31?

Worship this God. Ask for today’s strength.

CONFESSION. Spend a few minutes in Psalm 32, one of seven confessional psalms.

How often do you complete verse 6 in a normal week? How often should you do so? Do so now.

LOVING OTHERS BETTER – UNITY. GALATIANS 28-29. “There is neither Jew nor Gentile, neither slave nor free, nor is there male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus. If you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham’s seed, and heirs according to the promise.”

Rewrite this verse for your own church context. Then rewrite it again for the Basque Country.

Pray for this level of unity, and this level of “reach” for the church in Basque Country – to all kinds of people.

LOVING GOD AND SERVING OTHERS BETTER. Two of my favorite verses to pray for the Basques are PSALM 69:13, 16: “But I pray to you, Lord, in the time of Your favor, in Your great love, O God, answer me [the Basques] with Your sure salvation. Answer me, Lord, out of the goodness of Your love; in your great mercy, turn to me [the Basque people].”

“In the time of your favor” grants God the freedom to move when He is ready to do so. Do you trust His love and His goodness and His mercy enough to pray these two verses for the Basques, and especially using this phrase?

THE DARKNESS IN BASQUE COUNTRY. In the Basque Country, only 20% of marriages are celebrated in the church. 80% are civil ceremonies. But when people die, 82% of funerals are held in church, only 18% elsewhere. Why the disparity? Most people have no idea what to say about death, so they ask the church to speak for them. Pray that more Basques would ask the church about life, abundant life, as well as death.