

Thursday, 8/10 Read **Hebrews 13:20-21**. Ask God to equip you for doing the ministry He has called you to do. What might that look like? Ministry is scary. How will you persevere?

Sing *You Are My All in All*.

Pray, "Daddy, I want others in this city and region to know You by name, to worship You joyfully. Please reveal Yourself to me and through me to others that Your name might be made more and more holy here in Portland, New England, and the world."

Friday, 8/11 Come to the prayer meeting **this morning at 6:30**.
Read **Psalm 119:129-136**. Consider how we love God's name. How can we change so that we love Him more?

Discuss what it means to love God.

Pray, "Lord, reveal Yourself to us as You truly are. Allow us to see how You are more beautiful than anything else that strives for our affections. Teach us to love You and to walk in Your ways. Amen"

Saturday, 8/12 Read tomorrow's sermon passage **John 17:13-19** and meditate on the great calling we have in Christ.

Prepare today for the gathered worship service tomorrow.

Seek out God and ask him to give us His perspective on the world around us.

Pray for your neighbors, co-workers, and family members who are still strangers to Christ that they will be overcome by His grace.

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Family and Individual Devotions

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will remain in the world no longer, but they are still in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them by the power of your name-- the name you gave me-- so that they may be one as we are one. While I was with them, I protected them and kept them safe by that name you gave me. None has been lost except the one doomed to destruction so that Scripture would be fulfilled."

The Gospel of John 17:11-12

Daily Devotionals

Where does our security lie? What makes us safe? Jesus prays that the Father will protect us by the power of His name. What does it mean to rest in that security? How do we trust Him to keep us safe when lots of unsafe things happen to us all the time? This week we will explore these themes together in the Scripture.

Please use the devotional material below each day this week to meet with Jesus. Please pray that we as a community of faith will learn His ways and walk in them to accomplish His purposes.

Sunday, 8/6

Read today's passage: John 17:11-12 and consider what you tend to look to for safety. How does the gospel challenge that notion of security? Read the questions from your sermon notes handout and discuss them.

Sing the song *Before the Throne of God Above*.¹

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| <p>1. Before the throne of God above
I have a strong a perfect plea
A great High Priest whose name is Love
Who ever lives and pleads for me
My name is graven on His hands
My name is written on His heart
I know that while in heaven He stands
No tongue can bid me thence depart
No tongue can bid me thence depart</p> <p>3. Behold Him there the Risen Lamb
My perfect spotless righteousness
The great unchangeable I Am
The King of glory and of grace
One with Himself I cannot die</p> | <p>2. When Satan tempts me to despair
And tells me of the guilt within
Upward I look and see Him there
Who made an end of all my sin
Because the sinless Savior died
My sinful soul is counted free
For God the Just is satisfied
To look on Him and pardon me
To look on Him and pardon me</p> <p>My soul is purchased by His blood
My life is hid with Christ on high
With Christ my Savior and my God
With Christ my Savior and my God</p> |
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Pray asking the Father to keep you by the power of His name. Ask Him to use you in bringing glory to His name in your neighborhood, workplace, and family.

Monday, 8/7

Read 1 Thessalonians 5:23-24. Who keeps us? How does He keep us? Whose faithfulness secures us?

Reflect on the certainty of Christ's victory over all the world displayed in His resurrection from the dead.

Confess to God your doubting the sufficiency of His victory through the way you live, think, and pray.

Sing *You Are My All in All*.²

*You are my strength when I am weak.
You are the treasure that I seek.
You are my All in All.
Seeking You as a precious jewel
Lord, to give up I'd be a fool.
You are my All in All.*

*Taking my sin, my cross, my shame,
Rising again I bless Your name.
You are my All in All.
When I fall down You pick me up,
When I am dry You fill my cup.
You are my All in All.*

Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is Your name. (2X)

Tuesday, 8/8

Read Philippians 2:5-11. What authority does Jesus' name possess? How is that related to God's glory? What does the beginning of this passage tell us to do? How does

Christ's authority free us to do this?

Pray for Christ's name to be honored in your life today: "Lord, I bow before You and ask that You would use me to bring glory to Your name today. I pray that You would keep me in the power of Your name. Strengthen me and give me boldness to proclaim Your majesty everywhere You call me to go today."

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Wednesday, 8/9

Read Romans 15:30-33. We too are to pray for God's protection of one another. Here Paul encourages prayers for Him in much the same way Christ prayed for us.

Meditate on the Q& A below from the Westminster Larger Catechism.

Pray for others in our congregation and the mission team serving at camp today. Pray that we would conquer the spiritual forces seeking to deceive these kids and their families.

Westminster Larger Catechism Question #195 *What do we pray for in the sixth petition?*

"In the sixth petition (of the Lord's Prayer, which is, 'And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil') acknowledging, that the most wise, righteous, and gracious God, for diverse holy and just ends, may so order things, that we may be assaulted, foiled, and for a time led captive by temptations; that Satan, the world, and the flesh, are ready powerfully to draw us aside, and ensnare us; and that we, even after the pardon of our sins, by reason of our corruption, weakness, and want of watchfulness, are not only subject to be tempted, and forward to expose ourselves unto temptations, but also of ourselves unable and unwilling to resist them, to recover out of them, and to improve them; and worthy to be left under the power of them: we pray, that God would so overrule the world and all in it, subdue the flesh, and restrain Satan, order all things, bestow and bless all means of grace, and quicken us to watchfulness in the use of them, that we and all his people may by His providence be kept from being tempted to sin; or if tempted, that by His Spirit we may be powerfully supported and enabled to stand in the hour of temptation; or when fallen, raised again and recovered out of it, and have a sanctified use and improvement thereof; that our sanctification and salvation may be perfected, Satan trodden under our feet, and we fully freed from sin, temptation, and all evil, forever."