



Quiet Moments with God

*Allow these Quiet Moments to draw you into a time
of refreshing, reflection and rest with the Lord.*

Unexpected Blessings

[Song: Blessings. Laura Story](#) (Lyrics on page 2)

[Reading: Truth about Blessings.](#)

A Four-fold Benedictine Blessing by Sr. Ruth Fox, OSB (1985)

May God bless you with a restless discomfort about easy answers,
half-truths and superficial relationships, so that you may seek truth boldly
and love deep within your heart.

May God bless you with holy anger at injustice, oppression,
and exploitation of people, so that you may tirelessly work for
justice, freedom, and peace among all people.

May God bless you with the gift of tears to shed with those who suffer from pain, rejection,
starvation, or the loss of all that they cherish, so that you may reach out your hand to comfort
them and transform their pain into joy.

May God bless you with enough foolishness to believe that you really CAN make a difference in
this world, so that you are able, with God's grace, to do what others claim cannot be done.

Prayer: Father, in Your mercy, grant me the grace to not live superficially. Help me to see
beyond the obvious; to not always desire the easy way out; to choose the difficult route if that
will lead to Your desired outcome. Help me to remember that You alone are wise, and that You
always want what is best. Amen

[Song: The Perfect Wisdom of our God. Getty](#) (Lyrics on pages 2 & 3)

Oh, the depth of the riches of the wisdom and knowledge of God!
How unsearchable his judgments, and his paths beyond tracing out! *Romans 11:33*

Blessings

Laura Story

We pray for blessings
We pray for peace
Comfort for family, protection while we sleep
We pray for healing, for prosperity
We pray for Your mighty hand to ease our suffering
All the while, You hear each spoken need
Yet love is way too much to give us lesser things

'Cause what if your blessings come through raindrops
What if Your healing comes through tears
What if a thousand sleepless nights are what it takes to know You're near
What if trials of this life are Your mercies in disguise

We pray for wisdom
Your voice to hear
We cry in anger when we cannot feel You near
We doubt your goodness, we doubt your love
As if every promise from Your Word is not enough
All the while, You hear each desperate plea
And long that we'd have faith to believe

When friends betray us
When darkness seems to win
We know that pain reminds this heart
That this is not our home

What if my greatest disappointments
Or the aching of this life
Is the revealing of a greater thirst this world can't satisfy
What if trials of this life
The rain, the storms, the hardest nights
Are your mercies in disguise

Songwriters: Laura Story

The Perfect Wisdom Of Our God

Kristyn Getty

The perfect wisdom of our God,
Revealed in all the universe:
All things created by His hand,
And held together at His command.
He knows the mysteries of the seas,
The secrets of the stars are His;
He guides the planets on their way,
And turns the earth through another day.

The matchless wisdom of His ways,
That mark the path of righteousness;
His word a lamp unto my feet,

His Spirit teaching and guiding me.
And oh, the mystery of the cross,
That God should suffer for the lost
So that the fool might shame the wise,
And all the glory might go to Christ!

Oh grant me wisdom from above,
To pray for peace and cling to love,
And teach me humbly to receive
The sun and rain of Your sovereignty.
Each strand of sorrow has a place
Within this tapestry of grace;
So through the trials I choose to say:
Your perfect will in your perfect way.

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