

Hinckley United Reformed Church
Prayers for week beginning Monday May 6th 2024

Inspired by my Bible Reading Notes "Encounter with God"

Monday 6th

What are our plans for today? What motivates us? How will we achieve them?
When our faith is weakening who do we turn to? How often do we doubt our faith,
who do we turn to?

Spend a quiet time with God, tell Him how you feel. Ask for His blessing and
assurance that He is in charge.

Tuesday 7th

Ask God to open our minds and imaginations, that we might understand all that He
says to us. That we might be able to apply it.

God has placed us in His wonderful World, what does God expect us to do with His
world. Does He expect us to respect it?

Wednesday 8th

Ask God to shield us from irrelevant concerns, things that don't matter.

Think about 3 trouble spots in the world. (for example...Ukraine, Gaza and the
Maldives). What is happening there. Ask God to bless the people who live and work
there.

What can we and our Church do about these places?

Thursday 9th

May the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be pleasing in your
sight, O LORD, my Rock and my Redeemer. Psalm 19 v14.

We often hear these words before a service or the address.

Will the people we meet today know we are a Christian?

Friday 10th

Look at your to-do list for today. What are you hoping for today? What do you fear
about today? What are you anticipating and ready for today?

Pray for the doorkeepers, Church leaders often feel responsible for the whole
Church. Pray that the doorkeeper's burdens might be light and they too may receive
our neighbourly love.

Saturday 11th

Think about Christina Rossetti's Carol... What can I give him poor as I am... The
widows few coins were accepted by Jesus... More than all the others had put in the
offering jars in the Temple. What was the fee worth that was given to Judas for
telling the authorities which person in the crowd was Jesus?

Do we need to think about our giving??!!

Sunday 12th The start of Christian Aid Week

This prayer and next weeks prayers are from the Christian Aid leaflet "A Daily Devotional"

Think about the plans you have for the coming week.

Give thanks that you are able to look ahead. Pray for those whose lives are too uncertain to make plans.

God, whose spirit dwells in us guide us to make plans which further Your Kingdom. Give us Your vision and the courage to follow Your path. Amen.