#### PASSIONS

## Wisdom for the Day!

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Proverbs 16:32

Day 16

He who is **slow to anger** is better than the mighty, And he who **rule**s his **spirit**, than he who captures a city.

#### Sing to God! Constantly Abiding

God's Word for the Day! Philippians 2:19-30

Psalm 46

When you make commitments to others,

be sure to **follow through** or recruit a competent replacement.

Key Thought!

Praise	(song in my heart to God)	1990 and 19
Word Prayer	(today's scripture text) ( <b>Specific</b> , as guided below)	1 am
Reflection Commitment	(what I did or not yesterday) (what I hope to do today)	an

In prayer, be: Serene Selfless Short Simple Sincere

- Include: Praise Confession Intercession Petition Meditation
  - Praise: (thanksgiving for God's blessings) God's presence, Trinity, Forgiveness, Salvation, **Patience** Spouse, Children, Home, **Job**, Extended Family, Friends
  - Confession: (admission of my falling short of God's best for me) Commissions Omissions
  - Intercession: (asking God to work in the lives of others) Family **Friends** Business Assoc Ministers Missions
  - Petition: (asking God to do something in me) Physical Mental **Emotional** Spiritual Relational
  - Meditation: (be still before the Lord, think about...) The sea gulls chasing after the bread we cast out.
  - Commitment: (what I hope to do today) Share of my abundance with someone in need.



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Thoughts from the Psalms



#### Psalm 46

God i	S:
	Refuge
	Strength
	Ever present
	Mirth
	Holy
	Most High
	Stonghold
	Peacemaker
	Exalted
	Lord of All

Do not fear, accept God's help, observe God'smighty deeds, marvel at God's awesome power,enjoy His presence, relax since He has everythingunder control, revel in the fact that you are Hischild, understand that even the violent stormsare managed by Him, watch Him create peacewhere no one else can, don't make any effortto prove God to be any less powerful andsignificant than He truly is, hide behind God'smagnificent and impregnable shield!

When everything around me seems to be crumbling and falling apart, I can count on God to be solid and unchanging. Just let go and let God! PSALM 46



1 (For the choir director. A Psalm of the sons of Korah, set to Alamoth. A Song.) God is our refuge and strength, A very present help in trouble. 2 Therefore we will not fear, though the earth should change, And though the mountains slip into the heart of the sea; 3 Though its waters roar and foam, Though the mountains quake at its swelling pride. Selah. 4 There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, The holy dwelling places of the Most High. 5 God is in the midst of her, she will not be moved; God will help her when morning dawns. 6 The nations made an uproar, the kingdoms tottered; He raised His voice, the earth melted. 7 The LORD of hosts is with us; The God of Jacob is our stronghold. Selah.

8 Come, behold the works of the LORD, Who has wrought desolations in the earth. 9 He makes wars to cease to the end of the earth; He breaks the bow and cuts the spear in two; He burns the chariots with fire. 10 "Cease striving and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth." 11 The LORD of hosts is with us; The God of Jacob is our stronghold. Selah.

# Bible Study Interaction Notes



### Philippians 2:19-30

The work of the Gospel of our Lord is very much
a team effort. No one should strike out alone or
without a support team at home base. And it is
generally more exciting and fulfilling to be on the
front lines in ministry than to be somewhere in the
background. BUT REMEMBER THIS: Without the
full team, the work is destined to fail. SOooo,
Let's be sure to be faithful in our part, even if it
seems to be an insignicant one. In God's eyes
there is no insignificance in service to Him.

When you make a commitment to do something,be somewhere, or otherwise provide services tosomeone, FOLLOW THROUGH! If it is not possiblefor you to make good personally, be sure to recruitsomeone to take your place who can do an equallycompetent job.

Remember too, that we all have those upon whomwe are dependent and those who depend upon uson a regular basis. Be particularly intent on holdingthese individuals up in prayer and regular contact.These same individuals are the ones who are doingthat and will continue to do that for you. Make aMental note that God may even spare another's lifefor your benefit.

# Philippians 2:19-30

19 But I hope in the Lord Jesus to send Timothy to you shortly, so that I also may be encouraged when I learn of your condition. 20 For I have no one else of kindred spirit who will genuinely be concerned for your welfare. 21 For they all seek after their own interests, not those of Christ Jesus. 22 But you know of his proven worth that he served with me in the furtherance of the gospel like a child serving his father. 23 Therefore I hope to send him immediately, as soon as I see how things go with me;

24 and I trust in the Lord that I myself also shall be coming shortly. 25 But I thought it necessary to send to you Epaphroditus, my brother and fellow worker and fellow soldier, who is also your messenger and minister to my need; 26 because he was longing for you all and was distressed because you had heard that he was sick. 27 For indeed he was sick to the point of death, but God had mercy on him, and not on him only but also on me, lest I should have sorrow upon sorrow.

28 Therefore I have sent him all the more eagerly in order that when you see him again you may rejoice and I may be less concerned about you. 29 Therefore receive him in the Lord with all joy, and hold men like him in high regard; 30 because he came close to death for the work of Christ, risking his life to complete what was deficient in your service to me. Proverbs 16:32

**PROVERBS 16** 



32 He who is slow to anger is better than the mighty, And he who rules his spirit, than he who captures a city. (NNAS)

32 Patience is better than strength. Controlling your temper is better than capturing a city.(NCV)

32 Better a patient man than a warrior, a man who controls his temper than one who takes a city. (NIV)

32 He that is slow to anger is better than the mighty; and he that ruleth his spirit than he that taketh a city. (KJV)

32 It is better to be slow-tempered than famous; it is better to have self-control than to control an army. (TLB)

32 He who is slow to anger is better than the mighty, And he who rules his spirit, than he who captures a city. (NASB)

1 The plans of the heart belong to man, But the answer of the tongue is from the LORD. 2 All the ways of a man are clean in his own sight, But the LORD weighs the motives. 3 Commit your works to the LORD, And your plans will be established. 4 The LORD has made everything for its own purpose, Even the wicked for the day of evil. 5 Everyone who is proud in heart is an abomination to the LORD; Assuredly, he will not be unpunished. 6 By lovingkindness and truth iniquity is atoned for, And by the fear of the LORD one keeps away from evil. 7 When a man's ways are pleasing to the LORD, He makes even his enemies to be at peace with him. 8 Better is a little with righteousness Than great income with injustice. 9 The mind of man plans his way, But the LORD directs his steps. 10 A divine decision is in the lips of the king; His mouth should not err in judgment. 11 A just balance and scales belong to the LORD; All the weights of the bag are His concern. 12 It is an abomination for kings to commit wickedness, For a throne is established on righteousness. 13 Righteous lips are the delight of kings, And he who speaks right is loved. 14 The wrath of a king is as messengers of death, But a wise man will appease it. 15 In the light of a king's face is life, And his favor is like a cloud with the spring rain. 16 How much better it is to get wisdom than gold! And to get understanding is to be chosen above silver. 17 The highway of the upright is to depart from evil; He who watches his way preserves his life. 18 Pride goes before destruction, And a haughty spirit before stumbling. 19 It is better to be of a humble spirit with the lowly, Than to divide the spoil with the proud. 20 He who gives attention to the word shall find good, And blessed is he who trusts in the LORD. 21 The wise in heart will be called discerning, And sweetness of speech increases persuasiveness. 22 Understanding is a fountain of life to him who has it, But the discipline of fools is folly. 23 The heart of the wise teaches his mouth, And adds persuasiveness to his lips. 24 Pleasant words are a honeycomb, Sweet to the soul and healing to the bones. 25 There is a way which seems right to a man, But its end is the way of death. 26 A worker's appetite works for him, For his hunger urges him on. 27 A worthless man digs up evil, While his words are as a scorching fire. 28 A perverse man spreads strife, And a slanderer separates intimate friends. 29 A man of violence entices his neighbor, And leads him in a way that is not good. 30 He who winks his eyes does so to devise perverse things; He who compresses his lips brings evil to pass. 31 A gray head is a crown of glory; It is found in the way of righteousness. 32 He who is slow to anger is better than the mighty, And he who rules his spirit, than he who captures a city. 33 The lot is cast into the lap, But its every decision is from the LORD.

Reflectio	ons	Commitments	
Victories and Defeats of yesterday (D	DID IT)	Actions needed now (DO IT)	

### **Quick Reference Guide to DayPrimer for today:**

- C Reflect on the wisdom of Solomon Read the selected verse(s) from multiple versions Remember the highlighted words
- C Sing to the Lord (if you can't sing, read and reflect)
  - Read God's Word Psalm for today Proverb for today Bible study passage for today
- C Focus for a moment on the "key thought" Remember the highlighted words
- C Pray very specifically

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- In prayer be: (in an appropriate attitude)
- C Include: (focus on certain aspects of prayer)
  - [ Praise God for His work in your behalf
    - \ Confess your wrong doings and not doings
      - Y Intercede for the needs of others
      - Z Petition God for yourself
      - ± Meditate about God's creativity
      - \_ Commit to God to do something specific

# Sing to the Lord

### **Constantly Abiding**

There's a peace in my heart, that the world never gave. A peace it cannot take away Though the trials of life, may surround like a cloud, I've a peace that has come there to stay!

#### Chorus:

Constantly abiding, **Jesus is mine** Constanly abiding, rapture divine. He'll never leave me lonely. Whispers oh so kind, "I will never leave thee." Jesus is mine.

All the world seemed to sing of a Savior and King, when peace sweetly came to my heart. Troubles all fled away and my night turned to day. Blessed Jesus, how glorious Thou art!

This treasure I have in a temple of clay, While here in His footsteps I roam. But He's coming to take me some glorious day, Over there to my heavenly home!