

Prayer Update 1058

Wednesday 23 February 2022

God's Word for this week ... Psalm 47 God is King over all the earth!

Oh, clap your hands, all you peoples! Shout to God with the voice of triumph!
For the LORD Most High is awesome; He is a great King over all the earth.
He will subdue the peoples under us, and the nations under our feet.
He will choose our inheritance for us, the excellence of Jacob whom He loves.
God has gone up with a shout, the LORD with the sound of a trumpet.
Sing praises to God, sing praises! Sing praises to our King, sing praises!
For God is the King of all the earth; sing praises with understanding.
God reigns over the nations; God sits on His holy throne.
The princes of the people have gathered together, the people of the God of Abraham.
For the shields of the earth belong to God; He is greatly exalted.

"The Daily" devotions

A group of Auckland Church Leaders are writing brief daily devotions for the period of Lent, leading up to Resurrection Sunday. There will be 42 devotions, one emailed each day from **next Wednesday 2 March** to Tuesday 17 April, to people who request them.

If you would like to receive these, simply send a *blank* email to us at ifnz@xtra.co.nz with the **Subject:** "The Daily devotions". We will send you the details, and how to receive them.

[If you want to, you can forward the details to your friends so they can enrol to get them too.]

The first devotion will be emailed **next Wednesday**, so you will need to subscribe quickly!

PROTESTS AGAINST VACCINATION MANDATES

- **Please pray** for a quick end to the current protests being held at Parliament, in Christchurch and elsewhere, over covid mandates and the effects of these mandates on people, businesses, employment, our economy and country as a whole.
- Pray that serious discussions will be held between mandates protesters, the government and police, which will lead to a speedy and peaceful resolution.
- That people with other agendas, using the anti-mandates protest to further their own causes, will withdraw and not further confuse the issues to be discussed.
- That disruption, violence, death threats, verbal and physical abuse against people (including people who have nothing to do with the protest) will cease.

UKRAINE AND RUSSIA

- **Please pray** that Russia's very serious threats to Ukraine, including the possibility of a war which would affect many other countries too, including the UK, USA, and NATO countries, will be speedily resolved without warfare or bloodshed.
- Pray that the people in Ukraine will soon be able to go back to normal living without Russian threats and interference in their country and its affairs.

CLIMATE CHANGE and worldwide extreme weather events

Around the world, over the past few years especially, many people's lives have been lost and major damage has been caused by severe climate events, including storms, floods, blizzards, hurricanes, raging seas, droughts and major forest fires; plus earthquakes and volcanic eruptions.

- **Please pray** for God's protection over us and our country.
- Pray for those people who have suffered as a result of these events.
- Pray that government, regional and local governments, etc., will do all they can to help prevent as much damage as possible from future events of this nature.