

# Staying Encouraged in the Ministry

Spiritual Leadership Conference | Susannah Ruhl

*Give ear to my words, O Lord, consider my meditation.*

*Hearken unto the voice of my cry, my King, and my God: for unto thee will I pray.*

*My voice shalt thou hear in the morning, O Lord; in the morning will I direct my prayer unto thee, and will look up.*

*For thou art not a God that hath pleasure in wickedness: neither shall evil dwell with thee.*

*The foolish shall not stand in thy sight: thou hatest all workers of iniquity. Thou shalt destroy them that speak leasing: the Lord will abhor the bloody and deceitful man.*

*But as for me, I will come into thy house in the multitude of thy mercy: and in thy fear will I worship toward thy holy temple.*

*Lead me, O Lord, in thy righteousness because of mine enemies; make thy way straight before my face.*

*For there is no faithfulness in their mouth; their inward part is very wickedness; their throat is an open sepulchre; they flatter with their tongue.*

*Destroy thou them, O God; let them fall by their own counsels; cast them out in the multitude of their transgressions; for they have rebelled against thee.*

*But let all those that put their trust in thee rejoice: let them ever shout for joy, because thou defendest them: let them also that love thy name be joyful in thee.*

*For thou, Lord, wilt bless the righteous; with favour wilt thou compass him as with a shield. PSALM 5*

INTRODUCTION: \_\_\_\_\_

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1. \_\_\_\_\_ the blues.

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Pour out your heart to \_\_\_\_\_.

Invite God into your every inner \_\_\_\_\_.

Share your \_\_\_\_\_ with the Lord.

Recognize His authority—keep it personal.

Pray repeatedly.

- Direct the prayers of your heart to God—don't just wish.
- Talk to Him out loud.
- Start your day with prayer.

Look \_\_\_\_\_.

2. \_\_\_\_\_ of God.

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PSALM 5:4-6, 9

Remember who God is.

- He will not allow sin to go undealt with.
- We cannot enjoy His \_\_\_\_\_ while behaving foolishly.
- He will destroy the deceptive.

3. \_\_\_\_\_ to implement.

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PSALM 5:7-8A*

Go to God's \_\_\_\_\_.

Walk in \_\_\_\_\_.

Walk in the \_\_\_\_\_ of the Lord.

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\_\_\_\_\_ God lead.

- Because of enemies watching.
- For His name's sake.

4. \_\_\_\_\_ to entreat.

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Help me to see your plan in this situation.

Let the enemy be overcome by their \_\_\_\_\_ actions.

- Remember that they have rebelled against God and not you.

Help me to trust you.

\_\_\_\_\_ me rejoice.

Let me be \_\_\_\_\_.

Thank God for His protection.

5. \_\_\_\_\_ to claim.

*For thou, Lord, wilt bless the righteous; with favour wilt thou compass him as with a shield. PSALM 5:12*

The Lord will bless the righteous.

God will show you favor.

He will \_\_\_\_\_ you with His protection.

CONCLUSION: \_\_\_\_\_  
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