## **Irayer Journal Week 4**

# Daily Readings Week 4

9/22	Sunday	Genesis 37:3-8, 17b-22, 26-34; 50:15-21	Joseph and His Brothers
9/23	Monday	Exodus 1:8-22	The Israelites are Oppressed
9/24	Tuesday	Exodus 2:1-10	The Birth and Youth of Moses
9/25	Wednesday	Exodus 3:1-12	Moses at the Burning Bush
9/26	Thursday	Exodus 4:1-17	Moses' Miraculous Power
9/27	Friday	Exodus 7:14- 17; 8:5-6, 16- 17, 20-21; 9:1- 3, 7	Plagues on Egypt
9/28	Saturday	Exodus 9:8-9, 22-23; 10:1-2, 22-24; 11:9-10	More Plagues

## Sunday's Sermon:

The Promise of Deliverance Exodus 12:1-3



## **Twinsburg Congregational Church**

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## **Daily Prayer Journal**

### **Praying for Justice:**

"When you or someone you know is hurting because of injustice, it can be hard to know what to pray. The pain and the heartache in the wait can be overwhelming. We serve a just God who promises that there will be justice for wrongdoing. We can pray today believing that God loves us, sees our pain, and wants to bring healing.

"Let us pray through the hard things - through every hard and challenging day and through every promising and hopeful day. Let us not be silent in our communities and let us not be silent in our prayers. Lord, you know the pain that is in so many hearts right now, a pain that for many has been present for quite some time. Holy Spirit please hear our prayers as we pray today. (Rebecca Barlow Jordan)"

Justice is the foundation of God's throne: Psalm 89:14, *"Righteousness and justice are the foundation of your throne; steadfast love and faithfulness go before you.* 

Praying for Justice is not just a prayer for punishment, it is a prayer for the character of God and God's kingdom to be done on earth as it is in heaven. This week's daily readings begin with Israel's cry for deliverance from slavery and the justice brought to them by God. Think as you pray with these Scriptures about situations you are aware of and how you would envision God's justice moving in that situation.

Ultimately, God's justice is redemptive. The final outcome of God's justice is noted in 2 Corinthians 5:19, "in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself."

## **Daily Prayer Time**

### **Interact with Scripture:**

What is the promise of God in the daily Scripture? How is the justice of God working in this passage?

#### Interact with the World:

What injustice does this Scripture bring to your mind? Where does God's justice apply to this injustice? What does this injustice call you to pray for?

### Interact with myself:

What are some insights about me, my attitudes, my responses, or my actions can I gain from this passage? How can I discern my desire for an outcome and the call of God's justice in this situation?

### **Interact with God:**

What one thing is God saying to you here? What can you appreciate about God? My attitude toward God's justice has changed in this way \_\_\_\_\_.

What three things are you praying about today? What call of justice is your burden?