

A Parting Prayer Based on Psalm 103

1 Bless the LORD, O my soul; and all that is within me, bless his holy name!

2 Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits,

3 who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases,
4 who redeems your life from the Pit, who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy, 5 who satisfies you with good as long as you live so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.

6 The LORD works vindication and justice for all who are oppressed.

8 The LORD is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. 9 He will not always chide, nor will he keep his anger for ever.

10 He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor requite us according to our iniquities.

11 For as the heavens are high above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him;

12 as far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us.

13 As a father pities his children, so the LORD pities those who fear him. 14 For he knows our frame; he remembers that we are dust.

17 But the steadfast love of the LORD is from everlasting to everlasting upon those who fear him, and his righteousness to children's children, 18 to those who keep his covenant and remember to do his commandments.

Benediction & Parting

Pastor's Tea



February 13th 2004

**New Philadelphia Moravian Church
4440 Country Club Road
Winston-Salem, NC 27104**

*This tea will be held on Friday from 2:00 to 3:00 PM.
Call 922-3934 if you would like to attend.*

Welcome by the Pastor

*A Short Introduction to the importance of Table Fellowship
in the New Testament, and a Brief History of
the Traditional Tea.*

Introduction of Hosts, Hostesses, and Guests

*Those who do not have name tags
will be asked to complete one.*

The Making of the Tea

*Hot water is poured into the tea pots for each table. It is traditional to recite
Psalm 51 as the Tea Steeps.*

1 Have mercy on me, O God, according to thy steadfast love; according to thy abundant mercy blot out my transgressions.

2 Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin!

3 For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me.

4 Against thee, thee only, have I sinned, and done that which is evil in thy sight, so that thou art justified in thy sentence and blameless in thy judgment.

5 Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity, and in sin did my mother conceive me.

6 Behold, thou desirest truth in the inward being; therefore teach me wisdom in my secret heart.

7 Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

8 Fill me with joy and gladness; let the bones which thou hast broken rejoice.

9 Hide thy face from my sins, and blot out all my iniquities.

10 Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within me.

11 Cast me not away from thy presence, and take not thy holy Spirit from me.

12 Restore to me the joy of thy salvation, and uphold me with a willing spirit.

13 Then I will teach transgressors thy ways, and sinners will return to thee.

14 Deliver me from bloodguiltiness, O God, thou God of my salvation, and my tongue will sing aloud of thy deliverance.

15 O Lord, open thou my lips, and my mouth shall show forth thy praise.

16 For thou hast no delight in sacrifice; were I to give a burnt offering, thou wouldst not be pleased. 17 The sacrifice acceptable to God is a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart, O God, thou wilt not despise.

The Pouring of the Tea

The Blessing

*Come, Lord Jesus, Our Guest to Be,
And Bless these Gifts Bestowed by Thee.
Bless our Dear Ones Everywhere,
Keep them in Thy Loving Care. Amen.*

Conversation at Table

A Teaching by the Pastor