



## Prayer Service Through Suffering

### **Psalm 34**

*(Side 1)*

I sought the Lord, and he answered me  
and delivered me from all my fears.

*(Side 2)*

Look to him, and be radiant,  
so your faces shall never be ashamed.  
This poor soul cried and was heard by the Lord  
and was saved from every trouble.

*(Side 1)*

The angel of the Lord encamps  
around those who fear him and delivers them.  
O taste and see that the Lord is good;  
happy are those who take refuge in him.

*(Side 2)*

O fear the Lord, you his holy ones,  
for those who fear him have no want.  
The young lions suffer want and hunger,  
but those who seek the Lord lack no good thing.

*(Side 1)*

Come, O children, listen to me;  
I will teach you the fear of the Lord.  
Which of you desires life  
and covets many days to enjoy good?

*(Side 2)*

Keep your tongue from evil  
and your lips from speaking deceit.

Depart from evil, and do good;  
seek peace, and pursue it.

*(Side 1)*

The eyes of the Lord are on the righteous,  
and his ears are open to their cry.  
The face of the Lord is against evildoers,  
to cut off the remembrance of them from the earth.

*(Side 2)*

When the righteous cry for help, the Lord hears  
and rescues them from all their troubles.  
The Lord is near to the brokenhearted  
and saves the crushed in spirit.

*(Side 1)*

Many are the afflictions of the righteous,  
but the Lord rescues them from them all.  
He keeps all their bones;  
not one of them will be broken.

*(Side 2)*

Evil brings death to the wicked,  
and those who hate the righteous will be condemned.  
The Lord redeems the life of his servants;  
none of those who take refuge in him will be condemned.

*(All)*

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.  
As it is was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen.

## **Psalm Prayer**

**Graciously hear us, Lord, for we are seeking comfort and refuge in you. We believe that you are near to those who are grieving. Open yourself to accept our sorrowful spirits. Calm our bodies and minds with the peace which surpasses understanding. For we pray this through Christ your son and our Lord.**

## **Intercessions**

Our response to the intercessions are: *Lord, you are our life and resurrection.*

We acknowledge Christ the Lord through whom we hope that our bodies will be made like His in glory, as we pray.

*Lord, you are our life and resurrection.*

Christ, Son of the living God, who raised up Lazarus, your friend, from the dead, raise up to life and glory all whom you have redeemed by your precious blood.

*Lord, you are our life and resurrection.*

Christ, consoler of those who mourn, you dried the tears of the family of Lazarus, of the widow's son, and the daughter of Jairus, comfort those who mourn.

*Lord, you are our life and resurrection.*

Christ, Savior, destroy the reign of sin in us, so that through you we may gain eternal life.

*Lord, you are our life and resurrection.*

Christ, Redeemer, look on those who have no hope because they do not know you, may they receive faith in the resurrection and in the life of the world to come.

*Lord, you are our life and resurrection.*

You revealed yourself to the blind man who begged for the light of his eyes, show your face to all of those who are deprived of your light.

*Lord, you are our life and resurrection.*

When at last our earthly home is dissolved, give us a home, not of earthly making, but built of eternity in heaven.

*Lord, you are our life and resurrection.*

Jesus gave to us the perfect prayer. Let us join together in one voice in the perfect prayer.

Our Father ...