

Tutor Group Reflections and Prayers wb: 13.10.25 - Stewardship

Reflection 1

Good morning; may the Lord be with you.

(Response) And also with you.

-What things do you like best about the world?

The Bible reminds us repeatedly that God created the entire world and put us in it to look after his creation. In Genesis chapter 2, verse 15 we read, ***'The Lord God took the man and put him in the Garden of Eden to work it and take care of it.'***

-Why should we be thankful this morning?

Perhaps discuss-How could we do a better job of looking after the World?

Prayer 1

Let us pray,

Lord God,

Thank you that all we are and all that we have is a gift from you. In faith and love, help us to do your will. Help us to be patient, to be merciful, to be generous, and give us the wisdom to be good stewards of all you have given us. Amen

Reflection 2

Good morning; may the Lord be with you.

(Response) And also with you.

Spend some time thinking about all the amazing places and things the Bible says God has placed in the world. Where would you like to see/visit?

-If someone lent you a precious item, how would you treat it? Why?

In Psalm 24 verse 1 we read,

'The earth belongs to the Lord, and everything in it — the world and all its people.'

And in Psalm 95 verses 4-5 it says,

'The deepest places on earth are his, and the highest mountains belong to him. The sea is his because he made it, and he created the land with his own hands.'

These verses tell us that God has **lent us** the Earth, and we should be looking after it.

- What do you do to look after the world now?

Prayer 2

Let us pray,

Father God,

Loving Creator and giver of all good gifts, bless our school, strengthen our faith and grant us the spirit of Christian stewardship so that we may give generously of our time, gifts and wealth to benefit others throughout the world, and help your Kingdom to grow. Amen.

Reflection 3

Good morning; may the Lord be with you.

(Response) And also with you.

Sometimes it is hard to think about the good things we have in life, hard times hit us, and worries can seem too big to cope with, but for a moment, spend some time thinking about the good things we have.

In Matthew chapter 6, verse 25 Jesus says,

"Therefore, I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or drink; or about your body, what you will wear. Is life not more than food, and the body more than clothes?"

-Do you think worrying helps?

-What should we be doing instead?

If you like, spend time today praying, thanking God for those gifts and the aspects of them you are thankful for. Perhaps pray too to see things and situations through God's eyes (The Bigger, Better Picture).

Prayer 3

Let us pray,

Loving God,

Thank you for this beautiful, rich and abundant world which you have created and entrusted to our care. Give us wisdom to manage money well and to practice heartfelt generosity. As we live each day, help us to treat this earth gently and receive its goodness with gratitude. Help us to remember that you are the giver of all we have and to be thankful. Amen.