**Daily Prayer and Encouragement for Monday 4th January 2021 –** Mike Orman

Isaiah 30:15

'This is what the Sovereign Lord, the Holy One of Israel, says,

"In repentance and rest is your salvation,

in quietness and trust is your strength,

but you would have none of it."

Where do we look for our security, our safety and ultimately, our salvation? Do we sometimes find ourselves putting our trust in our own abilities, finances and intellect? It's easy to slip back into a worldly way of thinking when dealing with the challenges we face - great and small. But God offers us a better way. A way that provides perfect peace and rest for the soul. A way without striving and battling in our own strength. His grace is sufficient for us, for His power is made perfect in our weakness (2 Cor 12:9). His yoke is easy and His burden is light (Matthew 11:28-30). Sometimes we just make things more complicated than they need to be!

*Jesus, The Way, thank you that you offer us all we need. You are enough. We're sorry for when we over complicate things and try to deal with things in ways that don't involve you. We repent. We want to 'keep company with you and learn to live freely and lightly' (Matt 11:30 MSG). We trust in your salvation and live confidently in your strength.*

*Amen.*