

## PRAYER LETTER 62

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<sup>21</sup> Yet this I call to mind  
and therefore I have hope: <sup>22</sup> Because  
of the LORD's great love we are not  
consumed,

for his compassions never fail.

<sup>23</sup> They are new every morning;  
great is your faithfulness.

<sup>24</sup> I say to myself, "The LORD is my  
portion;  
therefore I will wait for him.

<sup>25</sup> The LORD is good to those whose hope  
is in him,

to the one who seeks him;

<sup>26</sup> it is good to wait quietly  
for the salvation of the LORD.

Lamentation 3: 21 – 26

The hardship people in the Levant region are facing is beyond imagination. In Syria, Lebanon, Palestine & Israel, all people are living in instability because of wars, economic crisis, sanctions, earthquakes etc.

Many people are waiting for the end of the turmoil & suffering. And for those who could not and can't wait, they decided to leave the region. This immigration - especially the illegal one - has created problems for Europe.

In the midst of that, the above verses call us to wait for the salvation of the Lord. This is not a theoretical request, or detachment from reality, rather it is an inner attitude that will help the believer to have energy and ability to stand up & continue by the power of the Lord.

"O give thanks to the LORD, call on his name, make known his deeds among the peoples."  
(1 Chronicles 16: 8)

We give You our praise and thanks, O God, for all gifts of love and peace we receive from You every day. We know that You have provided us with more than we could ever imagine.

We give You thanks for Your mercies as You strengthen the weak as we pass through these uprising times.

We thank You for each morning with its light, for each night for its shelter, for health and food, and for family and friends.

You show us compassion and kindness at all times. Therefore, we put before You our cares and concerns, O God, because we know that You are kind and You never forget the works of your hands.

Our hearts are crowded with gratitude because You are in our midst. Enable us to share what we have for all we have comes from You. Help us to remember the jobless and the needy so we fulfill Your desire; to give as you are given.

In Jesus' name we pray. Amen

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