

“As for you, O Lord, you will not restrain your mercy from me; your steadfast love and your faithfulness will ever preserve me!”
—Psalm 40:11

“As for me, I am poor and needy, but the Lord takes thought for me. You are my help and my deliverer; do not delay, O my God!”
—Psalm 40:17

“We pray acknowledging that it all depends on God and proceed as if it all depends on us. And finally, when we find that God has given us grace to grow in obedience and practical holiness, we thank him and acknowledge that all growth has been by his power working mightily in us.” —J.I. Packer

“Here Christ refers to a conversation carried on in the Godhead, a conversation in which no creatures participate. He sets up a pulpit both for the speaker and for the listener. He makes the Father the preacher and the Holy Spirit the listener.” — Martin Luther

“… This is what we should in short seek in the whole of Scripture: truly to know Jesus Christ, and the infinite riches that are comprised in him and are offered to us by him from God the Father. If one were to

sift the Law and the Prophets thoroughly, he would not find a single word which would not draw and bring us to him." — John Calvin

"The Holy Spirit's distinctive new Covenant role … is to fulfill what we may call a floodlight ministry in relation to the Lord Jesus Christ… When floodlighting is well done, the floodlights are so placed that you do not see them; you are not in fact supposed to see where the light is coming from; what you are meant to see is just the building on which the floodlights are trained. The intended effect is to make it visible when otherwise it would not be seen for the darkness, and to maximize its dignity by throwing all its details into relief so that you see it properly. This perfectly illustrates the Spirit's new covenant role. He is, so to speak, the hidden floodlight shining on the Saviour."
—J.I. Packer