

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time • A

Prayer of Preparation

*God of heaven and earth,
in the midst of every turn of life,
you always provide a path for me.
Pull out of me the deeper music
to be discovered underneath
the notes on the page,
the music of your law.
May I always surrender
to the beauty of your commands.*

Amen.

Psalm Reflection

Finding the kingdom of heaven is worth any price (gospel). Like the persons in these gospel parables, we do not know when or where we will find this greatest of all treasures. But Psalm 119 reveals we do have a roadmap to guide our steps forward: the law of God. The law of God gives us wisdom and understanding (first reading). The law of God helps us discern what is good and true. The law of God is itself a treasure of great price, yielding rich reward, and worthy of all our love (psalm).

Psalm 119:57 and 72, 76–77, 127–128, 129–130

The Revised Grail Psalms

PT

Flowingly ♩ = 135–140
Refrain

mp Descant

Lord, I love your com-ands, I love your com-mands.

Capo 3: (G) B_b (CADD9/G) E_bADD9/B_b (G) B_b (D/F_#) F/A (Em⁷) Gm⁷ (C⁶ADD9) E_b⁶ADD9

mf Melody

Lord, I love your com-ands. Lord, I love your com-mands.

mf

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To repeat Refrain *To Verses* *Last time*

(Am⁷) (D⁷SUS⁴) (Am⁷) (Am⁷) (D⁷SUS⁴) rit. (G) (C⁶ADD⁹/G) (G)
 Cm⁷ F⁷SUS⁴ Cm⁷ Cm⁷ F⁷SUS⁴ B^b E^b6ADD⁹/B^b B^b

Verses

(D⁷SUS⁴) (CADD⁹) (GADD⁹/B) F⁷SUS⁴ E^bADD⁹ B^bADD⁹/D

1. I have said, "O LORD, my portion is to obey your words." The
 2. Let your merciful love console me by your promise to your servant. why I
 3. That is why I love your commands more than fi - nest gold, why I
 4. Your de - crees are wonderful in - deed;

(Am⁷) (Bm⁷) (Em) Cm⁷ Dm⁷ Gm

1. law from your mouth means more to me than
 2. Show me compassion, that I may live, for your
 3. rule my life by your pre - cepts, and
 4. therefore my soul o - beys them. The un -

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(G/D)
B \flat /F

(D^{SUS4})
F^{SUS4}

(D)
F

D.C.

1. large quantities of sil
2. law is
3. hate
4. folding of your word gives light, and understanding

ver and
my de
false
to the

gold.
light.
ways.
sim - ple.