

## Prayer Inspiration

Many people are growing weary of the constant reminders of the crisis we're in. By now most of us know of at least one person who came down with COVID-19. Some of us have lost one or more loved ones to this disease. Jesus suffers right along with us in all of it.

If we read the Old Testament, we find that God does some of His best work in a crisis. Just look at Moses and the parting of the sea. (Exodus 14) Just when things turn bleak, God brings good things our way.

Right now, major cities are showing photographs of wild animals wandering calmly in downtown areas. We can now hear entire songs that the birds sing. In only a few weeks, the earth is healing from the noise and air pollution caused by air and land traffic.

God knows how to turn a bad situation better. He seems to be using this crisis to bring us better understanding of ourselves and each other. Let's take notice.

Please read Psalm 133. It's just three verses, but it packs a punch.

God is uniting us as a world-wide team to fight this pandemic together. Many of us will come out of this pandemic more similar to each other than different. Everyone's life has been interrupted. Everyone's future will be changed. Jobs have been lost, graduations postponed, education put on hold. Some people may lose their life savings. Some will lose their home. Some will lose a loved one.

God can and will do a new thing within each of us. Just watch it unfold.

**June Inspiration** This month, observe how God is creating positive changes in our world. Think up ways to build on God's positive changes. Leave gratitude messages where mail carriers and neighbors will see them. Send Thank You notes to your favorite grocery store to thank all the workers still serving you. Make notes to yourself as to how you are changing for the better.

See? Hope is with the Lord.

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