

# Sunday Readings: Dec. 17, 2017

## We ARE the Reminder

**Mother Teresa:** “The simple path: silence is prayer, prayer is faith, faith is love, love is service, the fruit of service is peace.”

**Metaphysical Bible Dictionary:** “In true prayer we take with us words of Truth, a statement of Truth, or an affirmation, and turn our attention within to the very center of our being, where the Father dwells. We affirm these words of Truth and meditate on them, then get very still and wait in the silence for God to make them real to us.”

**Peter Marshall:** “When we long for life without difficulties, remind us that oaks grow strong in contrary winds and diamonds are made under pressure.”

**Dolores del Rio:** “Take care of your inner, spiritual beauty. That will reflect in your face.”

**Daily Word:** “Praying for others is a double blessing. Prayer is my time of connection with the perfect wholeness of Spirit, which is also our nature...Knowing the truth of my wholeness and then holding it for others is a double blessing.”

**1 Corinthians 3:16-17:** “Do you not know that you are God’s temple and that God’s Spirit dwells in you? For God’s temple is holy, and that temple you are.”

**Finally, from the book “How to Pray without Talking to God” by Linda**

**Martella-Whitsett:** “Our words and methods of prayer derive from our sense of identity. When we view ourselves as ‘only human’, we pray to God from a consciousness of powerlessness. When we realize our Divine Identity, we pray from the Divine Consciousness.” “We personally, individually, express God as we realize and embody Divine Life, Love, Intelligence, and all the Divine Capacities...This understanding prompts a new ‘why’ and a new ‘how’ to pray.