



 **ompassionate** Lord, as I cross the threshold of this day, I commit myself, my soul, my body, my affairs and my friends to Your care. Watch over me, keep me, guide me, direct me, sanctify me and bless me. Your mercies have brought me to the dawn of another day. Vain will be its gift unless I grow in grace, increase in knowledge and ripen for spiritual harvest.

 **ncline** my heart to Your ways. Mould me wholly into the image of Jesus, as a potter forms clay. May my lips be a well-tuned harp to sound Your praise. Let those around, see me living by Your Spirit, transformed by a renewed mind, clad in the entire armour of God, shining as a never-dimmed light and showing holiness in all my doings. Let no evil this day soil my thoughts, words or hands.

 **reserve** my understanding from subtilty of error, my affections from love of idols, my character from stain of vice and my profession from every form of evil. May I engage in nothing in which I cannot implore Your blessing and in which I cannot invite Your inspection. Prosper me in all lawful undertakings—or prepare me for disappointments.

 **each** me how to use the world and not abuse it; to improve my talents and to redeem my time; to walk in wisdom toward those without and in kindness to those within; to do good to all people and especially to my fellow Christians. May I view all things in the mirror of eternity, waiting for the coming of my Lord and listening for that last trumpet call to herald the new heaven and earth.

 **rd**er this day, all my communications according to Your wisdom and to the gain of mutual good. May I speak each word as if my last word and walk each step as my final one. If my life should end today, let this be my best day.