

## **CHEERED BY GOD**

*"When the cares of my heart are many, your consolations cheer my soul." (Psalms 94:14)*

### **REFLECTION**

Our Christian faith acknowledges that life in this world is marked by changes and conflicts. Sometimes we are personally affected by an unexpected turn of events - an illness, a broken relationship, a betrayal, a wayward child, an unreasonably demanding parent, an obnoxious boss, and an uncertain future. Yet despite the turbulence we encounter in different stages of our life journey, our hearts do not have to despair. God has given us spiritual resources to deal with roadblocks and setbacks. His words when applied to our life cheers our souls and brings joy to our sagging spirits. When you feel down and drained, open yourself to God. And may you, like the Psalmist, be able to proclaim, "When the cares of my heart are many, your consolations cheer my soul."

### **PRAYER**

*Lord of light and love, hold our hands as we travel through life, that we will know your presence with us whatever challenges we may face in our journey. Grant us your power to reject the temptations of the gods of this world and give us the perseverance to follow your way as faithful disciples of Christ. In our Master's name we pray. Amen.*

### **SUPPLICATION**

- We thank God for our church and the privilege of being members of the church where we have our membership. Pray that we will continue to uphold the pledge we made at our reception into membership when we promised to pray for the church, give financial support for the ministry of the church, offer ourselves to serve in and through the church and be regular in attending corporate worship (even if it means doing so online during this Covid-19 season).
- We thank God that although the socio-economic situation in the world has gone through a downward spiral and many people have suffered,

Singapore is still relatively safe. Praise God for the dedication of healthcare staff and volunteers who have toiled very hard to manage the coronavirus pandemic. Ask God to keep the healthcare staff and other frontline volunteers strong and safe.

- Lift up to God the migrant workers in Singapore. They are separated from their families and many of them have huge burdens on their shoulders, not knowing if they will still have a job or whether they might be sent home because their employers cannot retain their services. Pray for their mental, emotional, economic and spiritual well-being. Pray that they will receive the appropriate support they need to ride out this tough time.
- Pray for Christians to review their spiritual life and renew their relationship with God. Sometimes crises can nudge us to be more reflective and to engage in self-assessment of what is really important in life. Pray that God will help Christians to accept the wisdom of seeking first His Kingdom and His righteousness instead of being embroiled in pursuing things of no lasting value.

*"Only one life twill soon be past. Only what's done for Christ will last."(C.T. Studd)*

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