# A Prayer for Caregivers The Most Essential Tools

### A Prayer for Wisdom & Grace for Caregivers - Rev. Larry Jackson

"Holy One, as we begin this day, we ask for Your Guidance.

With Your Divine Hand, inspire, lead and give Thy Wisdom.

Throughout this day, may Your Grace be ever Present in this healing place. Bless our team, our hospital, our unit.

As we gather to help those in need, let not Your Help be far away.

We seek Your Strength and ask that You give Your SPIRIT as we make decisions for the good.

GOD of Love, teach us to give our best, to speak with love and act with courage. May we be good stewards of all The Gifts You have given. Amen! <sup>1</sup>

# **WISDOM 8:7** <sup>2</sup>

And if a man love justice: [Wisdom] ...hath great virtues; for she teacheth temperance, and prudence, and justice, and fortitude...

#### **The Cardinal Virtues**

"Four virtues play a pivotal role and accordingly are called 'cardinal;' all the others are grouped around them. They are: prudence, justice, fortitude, and temperance..." <sup>3</sup>

# **I CORINTHIANS 13:13** 4

Now there remain faith, hope, and... love, these three: but the greatest of these is... love.

## **The Theological Virtues**

"The theological virtues are the foundation of Christian moral activity; they animate it and give it its special character. They inform and give life to all the moral virtues. They are infused by GOD into the souls of the faithful to make them capable of acting as His children... the pledge of The Presence and action of The HOLY SPIRIT in the faculties of the human being. There are three theological virtues: faith, hope, and..." love. <sup>5</sup>

<sup>3</sup> Catechism of The Catholic Church, # 1805. "The Cardinal [Natural] Virtues."

<sup>5</sup> Catechism of The Catholic Church, # 1813. "The Theological [Christian] Virtues."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> "A Beginning of The Day Prayer." Reverend Larry L. Jackson. SCRUBS, 4/29/2014. http://scrubsmag.com/prayers-for-nurses/

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Douay-Rheims 1899 American Bible, WISDOM 8:7.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Douay-Rheims 1899 American Bible, I CORINTHIANS 13:13. "Love" inserted for "Charity."