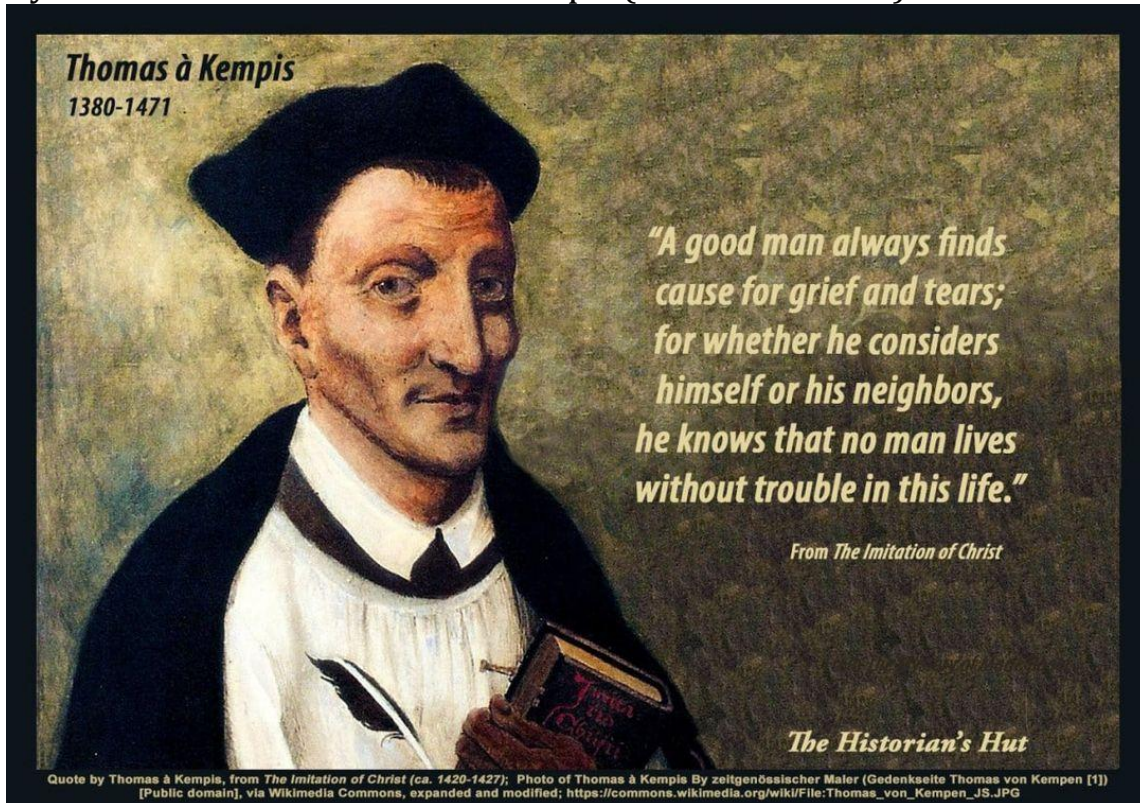


A devotion, "Moved by His Mighty Deeds."

By Venerable Father Thomas à Kempis (1380 - 1471 AD)



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Priest, preacher, mystic, theologian, Augustinian Monk, author of devotional, "Imitation of CHRIST:"

"Lord, how can one attain to... [Your] Glory? By an ardent love for all heavenly goods. In witness to this, we have the souls of all the saints now rejoicing in The Heavenly Kingdom and all the faithful who strive and struggle against temptations to evil.

Among creatures, there is nothing so good, delightful and wonderful that can satisfy the soul of man and render him totally happy, free him of all that is bad, fill him with all that is good, or grant him endless joy except GOD, our only Supreme, Eternal and Infinite Good.

He is The Creator of all that is visible and invisible, of angels and of men; He is before all, above all, and in all; He is GOD, blessed forever.

Lord, great and marvelous are Your works! I confess that I am unworthy to enjoy so many benefits and to have the converse with the saints in Heaven. Hence, as long as I live, I shall always humble myself before GOD and men, so that GOD may have Mercy on me a sinner, now and always.

That I may not yield to despondency or despair because of my past evil deeds, I will keep in mind, Lord, all Your Goodness and Mercies shown me during the past years, until I, with The Help of Your Grace, merit to attain to salvation.

Free me from all those evils that suddenly and often rush upon me and often distract my heart from thinking about heavenly realities. Dear GOD, be ever Present to me, and place me next to You, lest I begin to stray and distance myself from You, Who are my Supreme Good.

You alone, Lord, are all my Good; give Yourself to me and satisfy my soul. You alone, Lord, are my salvation. Amen." *

PSALM 69:1-36

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UC1hpWDru7E>

Turn unto The Lord JESUS CHRIST in your need and live!

1 Save me, O GOD; for the waters are come in unto my soul.

2 I sink in deep mire, where there is no standing: I am come into deep waters, where the floods overflow me.

3 I am weary of my crying: my throat is dried: mine eyes fail while I wait for my GOD.

5 O GOD, Thou knowest my foolishness; and my sins are not hid from Thee.

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6 Let not them that wait on Thee, O LORD GOD of Hosts, be ashamed for my sake: let not those that seek Thee be confounded for my sake, O GOD of Israel.

13 But as for me, my prayer is unto Thee, O LORD, in an acceptable time: O GOD, in the multitude of Thy Mercy hear me, in The Truth of Thy salvation.

14 Deliver me out of the mire, and let me not sink: let me be delivered from them that hate me, and out of the deep waters.

16 Hear me, O LORD; for Thy Lovingkindness is good: turn unto me according to the multitude of Thy tender Mercies.

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17 And hide not Thy Face from thy servant; for I am in trouble: hear me speedily...

20 Reproach hath broken my heart; and I am full of heaviness: and I looked for some to take pity, but there was none; and for comforters, but I found none.

29 But I am poor and sorrowful: let Thy salvation, O GOD, set me up on High.

30 I will praise The Name of GOD with a song, and will magnify Him with thanksgiving.

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33 For The LORD heareth the poor, and despiseth not His prisoners.

34 Let the heaven and earth praise Him, the seas, and every thing that moveth therein.

35 For GOD will save Zion, and will build the cities of Judah: that they may dwell there, and have it in possession.

36 The seed also of His servants shall inherit it: and they that love His Name shall dwell therein.

*["Moved by His Mighty Deeds" Venerable Fr. Thomas à Kempis. The Magnificat, Meditation of The Day, 7/13/2021, p 171-172.]