(For Monday, March 6, 2017) How you noticed how faithful God is?

"You shall remember the LORD your God, for it is he who gives you power to get wealth, that he may confirm his covenant that he swore to your fathers." (Deut.8:18-ESV)

It isn't wrong to pray for worldly provision. God knows we need things like food, clothing, and shelter. Jesus certainly taught us to pray for "our daily bread." But we wander away from Him when we pray for worldly things as our ultimate goal, rather than treating the money, and comfort, and advantages that come our way as a means to another end – namely, the goal of glorifying and rejoicing in God our Savior. The verse from Deuteronomy illustrates the reason God blesses us with his mercies that really are new every morning. It is so He can demonstrate how faithful he is to the promise that he made to us so long ago.

The next time a blessing comes your way, could you stop for a moment and thank God for it? Because each and every blessing that rains down upon us is really just God letting us know how faithful He will always be, and just how much He loves us.

(For Tuesday, March 7, 2017) How will you demonstrate your Kingly paternity?

"In your majesty ride out victoriously for the cause of truth and meekness and righteousness; let your right hand teach you awesome deeds!" (PS.45:4-ESV)

The causes which the true King espouses (an by extension are adopted by his people) are truth, meekness, and righteousness. To be honest, humble, and forthright should in fact be the goal of all of us. And deep down, it is. Theologians like C.S. Lewis wrote of a "Natural Law" which all people share, which is the desire to be and do good. Oh sure, we often end up doing the opposite because of our fallen human nature. But nobody (except the demented) wakes up in the morning with the intent to see how bad and hurtful they can be. But with the coming of the Holy Spirit into our lives, through the grace of God and faith in Christ, we are able to perform awesome deeds for the honor of the King. And these works of mercy inevitably exhibit the very three virtues outlined in this verse – truth, humility, and righteousness.

What awesome deeds has God prepared for you to do today?

(For Wednesday, March 8, 2017)

(For Thursday, March 9, 2017)

(For Friday, March 10, 2017)