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### Prayer for Clarity

Much of our lives are spent externally focused, acutely aware of our relationships to the world around us, on where we fit within it and how it reacts to us. We are often not so focused on an awareness of our internal selves and our spiritual relationships. In a way we are succumbing to the temptations with which the devil taunted Jesus in the desert. Satan dangled before Jesus temptations to material possessions (bread), prestige with others (the angels will catch you), and power (all this I will give to you). Jesus' responses bespeak the strength of his interior life and the mission he received to preach the Reign of God.

During Lent we are called to focus internally, on our relationship with the triune God. We are reminded of the time Jesus spent fasting in the desert, enduring Satan's temptations and are called to reflect on our own lives and the temptations we are faced with. God is asking us to prepare our hearts and minds to understand and accept the sacrifice His Son made on our behalf and accept the gift of life we were given at birth and will be once again given in our final hours. We are called to spend our time on this earth acting accordingly. In the spirit of that preparation and reflection, I offer to you a prayer for this Lenten season.

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Kirk Roberts  
Jesuit High School, Tampa, Florida

*I am supposed to do everything in life for one reason: the greater glory of God.  
Yet I spend most of my life unconcerned with this;  
I waste it on petty things.  
God, please grant me clear vision,  
The vision to work for the greater glory of your name.  
Please help me to wake up each morning with this in mind.  
Help me to clear my mind of minor details that only distract me from my purpose.  
Keep away the indifference that fogs humankind.  
Point me where your people need help  
So that I may go to bed each night knowing the world is a better place,*

*And your vision has been fulfilled.*