

A dramatic landscape photograph featuring a large, natural rock arch in the foreground. The arch is made of weathered, reddish-brown sandstone. Through the opening of the arch, a bright sun is setting or rising, creating a strong lens flare and illuminating the scene with a warm, golden light. The sky is filled with soft, colorful clouds in shades of orange, pink, and blue. In the background, a vast desert valley stretches out, with distant mesas and canyons visible under the twilight sky. The overall mood is serene and majestic.

WORDS THAT BUILD

*Only what is good for building up someone in need,
so that it gives grace to those who hear.*

EPHESIANS 4:29

6 'Look, the days are coming when everything in your palace and all that your predecessors have stored up until today will be carried off to Babylon; **nothing will be left,' says the Lord.**

7 'Some of your descendants—who come from you, whom you father—will be taken away, and they will become eunuchs in the palace of the king of Babylon.' "

27 Jacob, why do you say, and Israel, why do you assert, "My way is hidden from the Lord, and my claim is ignored by my God"?

1 This is what the Lord says: Where is your mother's divorce certificate that I used to send her away? Or to which of my creditors did I sell you? Look, **you were sold for your iniquities, and your mother was sent away because of your transgressions.**

2 Why was no one there when I came?
Why was there no one to answer when I
called? Is my arm too weak to redeem?
Or do I have no power to rescue? Look, I
dry up the sea by my rebuke; I turn the
rivers into a wilderness; their fish rot
because of lack of water and die of thirst.

4 The Lord God has given me the tongue of those who are instructed to know how to sustain the weary with a word. He awakens me each morning; he awakens my ear to listen like those being instructed.

5 The Lord God has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious; I did not turn back.

Before He Spoke, He Listened

Isaiah 50:4; Colossians 4:2-4

MORNING BY MORNING

4 **He awakens me each _____;**
he awakens my ear to listen like
those being instructed.

4 He awakens me each morning;
he awakens my ear to listen like
those being instructed.

5 The Lord God has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious; **I did not** _____.

5 The Lord God has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious; **I did not turn back.**

2 Devote yourselves to
_____; stay alert in it with
thanksgiving.

2 Devote yourselves to prayer; stay alert in it with thanksgiving.

3 At the same time, **pray**
also for us ...,

3 ...that God may open a door to us for the word, to speak the mystery of Christ, for which I am in chains,

Gracious Speech Can be Learned

Isaiah 50:4

MORNING BY MORNING

4 The Lord God has given me the
tongue of those who are
_____ to know how to
sustain the weary with a word.

4 The Lord God has given me the tongue of those who are instructed to know how to sustain the weary with a word.

13 Then **all your children will be taught by the Lord**, their prosperity will be great,

4 He awakens me each morning;
he awakens my ear to listen like
those being instructed.

6 Let your speech always be _____, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how you should answer each person.

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Someone Near You Needs Encouragement

Isaiah 50:4; Luke 8:48

MORNING BY MORNING

4 The Lord God has given me the
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instructed **to know how to**
sustain the weary with _____

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tongue of those who are
instructed **to know how to
sustain the weary with a word.**

48 "Daughter," he said to her, "your faith has saved you. Go in peace."

4 The Lord God has given me the tongue of those who are instructed **to know how to sustain _____ with a word.** He awakens me each morning; he awakens my ear to listen like those being instructed.

4 The Lord God has given me the tongue of those who are instructed **to know how to sustain the weary with a word.** He awakens me each morning; he awakens my ear to listen like those being instructed.

29 He gives strength to the faint
and strengthens the powerless.

13 But encourage each other _____, while it is still called today, so that none of you is hardened by sin's deception.

13 But encourage each other daily, while it is still called today, so that none of you is hardened by sin's deception.

Looking to Jesus

The Servant at the Last Supper

MORNING BY MORNING

1 “Don’t let your heart be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me.

6 I gave my back to those who beat me, and my cheeks to those who tore out my beard. I did not hide my face from scorn and spitting.

5 The Lord God has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious; **I did not turn back.**

22 **They were all** speaking well of him and were amazed **by the gracious words that came from his mouth**; yet they said, "Isn't this Joseph's son?"

29 They got up, drove him out of town, and brought him to the edge of the hill that their town was built on, intending to hurl him over the cliff.

28 "Come to me, all of you
who are weary and
_____, and I will give
you rest.

28 "Come to me, all of you
who are weary and
burdened, and I will give
you rest.

As We Close...

MORNING BY MORNING

4 The Lord God has given me the tongue of those who are instructed to know how to sustain the weary **with a word**. He awakens me each morning; he awakens my ear to listen like those being instructed.

28 "Come to me, all of you
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Morning by Morning

Isaiah 50:4

