PRAYER OF MARTIN LUTHER

O Thou, my God! Do Thou my God, stand by me, against all the world's wisdom and reason. Oh, do it! Thou must do it! Yea, Thou alone must do it! Not mine, but Thine is the cause. For my own self I have nothing to do with these great and earthly lords. I would prefer to have peaceful days, and to be out of this turmoil. But Thine, O Lord, is the cause. It is righteous and eternal! Stand by me, Thou true Eternal God! In no man do I trust. All that is of the flesh and saviours of the flesh is here of no account. God, O God dost Thou not hear me, O my God?

Hast Thou chosen me for this work? I ask Thee how I may be sure of this, if it be Thy will: for I would never have thought in all my life of undertaking aught against such great lords. Stand by me, O God, in the name of Thy dear Son, Jesus Christ, who shall be my Defense and Shelter, yea my Mighty Fortress, through the might and strength of Thy Holy Spirit. God help me. Amen.—Martin Luther (1483-1546).

— The National X-Ray

Prayer is the voice of faith. HORNE

Prayer is a powerful thing; for God Has bound and tied Himself thereunto. LUTHER

Prayer is not eloquence, but earnestness; not the definition of helplessness, but the feeling of it; not figures of speech, but compunction of soul. HANNAH MORE.