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During Lockdown John and I started using a book by Revd Terry Hinks called 'Praying the Way'.

'Through raw and authentic prayers, Terry Hinks leads us into the heart of the gospels to see more clearly the needs and joys of today's world. This highly original book helps us to pray out of, and with, the words of Jesus and to discover the joy of prayer as a two – way conversation – listening as much as speaking to God.'

The book consists of 40 prayers to go with readings in Matthew, Mark, Luke and John. We are currently on number 22 in Luke and have yet to read the 40 in John, which should bring us nicely to the start of Advent.

I have chosen 5 prayers which go with readings:

Praying with Matthew: Shaken by Joy

Suddenly Jesus met them and said, 'Greetings.' And they came to Him, took hold of His feet, and worshipped Him. Matthew 28:9

Risen Lord Jesus
God with us always
we greet you,
we worship you,
we follow you this day.
You have turned
old fears into new joy,
old doubts into new faith,
defeating ancient death,
finally and forever,
at the beginning of a glorious new day.
Your risen reality touches every place and time.
You have shaken us
into the presence of God,
the kingdom of heaven,
the company of your friends.
Go ahead of us this day:
lead on, Lord of all time,
Lord of all life.
Led us on, always and forever. Amen.

Reading: Matthew 28: 1 – 20