

Handout for Cecile J. Scribner
(Friday, 12:30 session in Wilkinson Center)

James 5:16: “. . . *The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man (or woman) availeth much.*”

The Camel

(Drucilla Sears Howard – about 1935)

*The Camel at the close of day
Kneels down upon the sandy plain
To have his burden lifted off
And rest again*

*So shouldst thou to thy knees go
When daylight draweth to a close
And let the Master lift the load
And grant repose*

*Else how couldst thou tomorrow meet
With all tomorrow's work to do
If thou the burden all the night
Doth carry through?*

*The Camel kneels at break of day
To have the guide replace the load
Then rises up anew to take
The desert road*

*So shouldst thou kneel at morning dawn
That God may give thee daily care
Assured that he no load too great
Will make thee bear.*

*“Few things facilitate getting the right answer like asking the right question.” (Joseph F. McConkie, “Finding Answers,” *Ensign*, April 2011)*

*“It is not the design of heaven that we be rescued from all difficult situations. Rather, it is the Lord's will that we learn to handle them.” (Joseph F. McConkie, “Finding Answers,” *Ensign*, April 2011)*

*“Perfect prayer is addressed to the Father, in the name of the Son. It is uttered by the power of the Holy Ghost and it is answered in whatever way seems proper by him whose ear is attuned to the needs of His children. He will choose his own ways to answer his children, and those ways are numerous.” (Bruce R. McConkie, “Why the Lord Ordained Prayer,” *Ensign*, January 1976)*

*“To those within the sound of my voice who are struggling with challenges and difficulties large and small, prayer is the provider of spiritual strength; it is the passport to peace.... Miracles are wrought through prayer.” (President Thomas S. Monson, “Be Your Best Self,” *Liahona*, May 2009)*

“We seek the guidance of the Holy Spirit in our prayers. We ponder the solemnities of eternity in our hearts. We approach Deity in the spirit of awe, reverence, and worship. We speak in hushed and solemn tones. We listen for his answer. We are at our best in

prayer. We are in the divine presence.” (Sermons and Writings of Bruce R. McConkie, edited by Mark L. McConkie. Salt Lake City, UT: Bookcraft, 1989, 148)