Jeremiah 8:18-9:1 New Revised Standard Version Updated Edition

¹⁸ My joy is gone; grief is upon me;
my heart is sick.
¹⁹ Listen! The cry of the daughter of my people
from far and wide in the land:
"Is the Lord not in Zion?
Is her King not in her?"
("Why have they provoked me to anger with their images,
with their foreign idols?")
²⁰ "The harvest is past, the summer is ended,
and we are not saved."
²¹ For the brokenness of the daughter of my people I am broken,
I mourn, and horror has seized me.
²² Is there no balm in Gilead?
Is there no physician there?
Why then has the health of the daughter of my people
not been restored?
9 O that my head were a spring of water
and my eyes a fountain of tears,
so that I might weep day and night
for the slain of the daughter of my people!

1 Timothy 2:1-7 New Revised Standard Version Updated Edition

2 First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone, ² for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. ³ This is right and acceptable before God our Savior, ⁴ who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. ⁵ For there is one God:

there is also one mediator between God and humankind, Christ Jesus, himself human,

⁶ who gave himself a ransom for all

--this was attested at the right time. ⁷ For this I was appointed a herald and an apostle (I am telling the truth; I am not lying), a teacher of the gentiles in faith and truth.

Luke 16:10-13 New Revised Standard Version Updated Edition

¹⁰ "Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much, and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. ¹¹ If, then, you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? ¹² And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own? ¹³ No slave can serve two masters, for a slave will either hate the one and love the other or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth."