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Pastor Green's Daily Encouragement

You know I'm not much on conspiracy theories, but for the second time in a week, my post was deleted just as I was finishing it. It seems that the name of Jesus causes that, strange how that seems to be working. Well, let's try this again. I pray for all of God's blessings to you and yours as we close out 2020 on this New Year's Eve. I pray for your health and safety, and I pray for your relationship with your Creator. As we wake up to this last day of 2020, ask yourself this question . . . what would Jesus do on a day like this? We can look back and see what He did on His last day and see that He spent His time praying. He was praying for the situation that He was born into, and He was praying for you and me. He was praying that His Father in Heaven would forgive us for the things that we do that violate His commandments. He was praying for anyone who had hurt Him in any way, and He was praying that His death would bring salvation to you and me. That would be a great thing to do today . . . spend some time in prayer and ask to be forgiven for those times that we don't measure up, pray a prayer of thanksgiving for the multitude of blessings in our own lives, and ask the same for others. Yes, on this last day of the year that will go down in history as the year of the covid-19 pandemic, pray that God will continue to lead us to a greater peace, a greater joy, and a greater love for our neighbors in 2021. Our song on this New Year's Eve is actually two songs sung together by Jennifer Nettles, "O Holy Night" and "Hallelujah." If you've never seen or heard this version, then you'll be doing yourself a disservice if you don't watch it all the way through. God bless your New Year's Eve plans, please be careful and stay safe.