## **Throne of Glory**

(I Kingdoms) I Samuel 2:8- He raiseth up the poor out of the dust, and lifteth up the beggar from the dunghill, to set them among princes, and to make them inherit the throne of glory: for the pillars of the earth are the Lord's, and he hath set the world upon them. (KJV)

Each person is created in the image and likeness of God including beggars. (Ge. 1:26) Believers preparing for the Great and Final Judgment are mindful of beggars. Misfortune can fall upon anyone and create a dramatic change in earthly life. Beggars are worthy of Christian compassion, acts of kindness and prayers of love. Judging beggars has no place in lives of Christians seeking God's Kingdom. (Mt.7:1) Each person has sufficient sins to address in preparing for Jesus Christ's Return. Jeremiah 14:21-Do not abhor us, for thy name's sake, do not disgrace the throne of thy glory: remember, break not thy covenant with us. (KJV) Each person has sins that need remediated to be completely reconciled with Christ. The Church provides Great Lent as a time of increased encouragement to repent. Repenting of sins requires personal honesty and desire to change before God. The believer is expected to look deep within the self to acknowledge all sins. Believers longing for unity with the Lord God take the necessary steps to repent. Being separated from God by sins is a heavy burden on the heart, mind and soul. Zechariah 6:13-Even he shall build the temple of the LORD; and he shall bear the glory, and shall sit and rule upon his throne; and he shall be a priest upon his throne: and the counsel of peace shall be between them both. (KJV) The Holy Prophets are points of reference for believers seeking unity with God. Wisdom from the Prophets open pathways to God's Kingdom and Eternal Life. The Prophets shine the Light of Christ in the darkest moments of earthly life. Nourishment for the hungry soul is readily found in the Holy Prophets of God. Believers benefit greatly when taking time to consider the Prophets' wisdom. Considering the Prophets is a wise investment in preparing for eternal life (Luke 16:1-31) Matthew 25:31-When the Son of man shall come in his glory, and all the holy angels with him, then shall he sit upon the throne of his glory: (KJV) The Scriptures are clear about the Lord returning for the Great and Final Judgment. Every day and every relationship are opportunities to prepare for Judgment Day. Every person will appear before the Lord and relationships will be scrutinized. Believers do well to repent of careless acts and cruel thoughts, words and deeds. Experiencing God's Kingdom and eternal life are the desired goals of Baptism. Following Baptism believers are to experience Christ in each relationship. (Mt.25:40) Holy Martyrs at the Gate of Eugenius. February 22/March 6, 2024. Hidden Valley, Pennsylvania. Father Rodney Torbic