Read Jeremiah 5:1.

It’s well past midnight. I’m seated upright in a sturdy oak chair in my dining room. The faint smell of coffee beckons me to focus for a few moments longer. If I have another cup, I’ll be awake for the remainder of the night. Occasionally, I am startled by the shifting of ice in my freezer as it shatters the lonesome silence. I charge headlong into my routine again, running to and fro through applications for admission. “If I could only find one student who stands out in the crowd, surely my efforts would not be in vain,” I think to myself. I’m being facetious, of course. This year’s incoming class includes multitudes of talented and passionate individuals.

By design, Campbell authentically attracts students who act justly and seek truth. As an institution, we seek to empower students to become agents of love and reconciliation in communities both near and far. Perhaps you are here for that very reason. As your journey continues, you will encounter situations where the majority prefers what is easy or momentarily attractive over what is right. When these situations arise, do not be afraid to speak up as the compassionate voice of justice and truth in your community, even if you are the only one who has the courage to do so. Surely, as Christ has shown us, the courageous voice of one has the power to transform us all.

Life Question: Are you prepared to act justly and seek truth, even if the majority is not?

Prayer: Merciful God, give us the courage to act according to Your will, even if we are outnumbered.

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