# 10 JUNE

*(See also 9 June.)*

1 Charles Dickens' book, **'A Tale of Two Cities'** is a novel set in the time of the French Revolution (1789-1799), and the hero of the book travels between the "two cities" of the book's title - London and Paris - to rescue some people who were condemned to die on the guillotine in France.

2 As he set about rescuing those condemned to die, the hero - Sydney Carton - saw both good and bad, and light and darkness in people and situations.

3 Dickens starts '**A Tale of Two Cities**' with these words:
*"It was the best of times; it was the worst of times. It was the age of wisdom; it was the age of foolishness… It was the season of light; it was the season of darkness. It was the spring of hope; it was the winter of despair."*

4 *Let us pray:*

**Lord, lead me to look for the positive**
**in all people**
**and in all situations.**
**May I help bring light**
**to those in darkness,**
**and encouragement**
**to those who feel unhappy.**
**May I show as much care for others**
**as I would like them to show for me.**
**Amen.**

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