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- 1 Robert Louis Stevenson was born in Edinburgh on tomorrow's date in 1850. He is known for having written 'Treasure Island', 'Kidnapped' and 'The Strange Case of Dr Jekyll and Mr Hyde'.
- 2 We are going to listen to 6 of the 12 points which he called his *"Pattern for Living"*. We'll *pause* for a moment after each one:
- 3 "Don't borrow trouble. Imaginary things are harder to bear than the actual ones...
- 4 "Since hate poisons the soul, do not cherish enmities or grudges. Avoid people who make you unhappy...
- 5 "Have many interests. If you can't travel, read about new places...
- 6 "Don't hold post-mortems. Don't spend your life brooding over sorrows and mistakes. Don't be one who never gets over things...
- 7 "Do what you can for those less fortunate than yourself...
- 8 *"Keep busy at something. A very busy per*son never has time to be unhappy..."
- 9 Let us pray:

Your glory, God our Father, is seen in people who are fully alive. Inspire us to live fully and discover your kingdom within us. Amen. This is an excerpt from the page of this date in *'Praying Each Day of the Year'*, a 3-volume book by Nicholas Hutchinson, FSC.

For details: http://www.matthew-james.co.uk/ Could make use of a search engine to research this topic further.

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