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# Monday

## Psalm 9

- 1 I will give you thanks, O Lord, with my whole heart:  
I will tell of all the wonders you have done.
- 2 I will rejoice and be glad in you:  
I will make my songs to your name, O Most High.
- 3 For my enemies are driven back:  
they stumble and perish at your presence.
- 4 You have maintained my cause and my right:  
you sat enthroned as a righteous judge.
- 5 You rebuked the heathen nations,  
you brought the wicked to destruction:  
you blotted out their name for ever and ever.
- 6 The strongholds of the enemy are made  
a perpetual desolation:  
you plucked up their cities,  
and even their memory has perished.
- 7 The Lord confounds them; but the Lord endures  
for ever:  
he has set up his throne for judgement.
- 8 He shall judge the world with righteousness:  
and deal true justice to the peoples.
- 9 The Lord is a strong tower to those that are oppressed:  
he is a tower of strength in time of need.
- 10 All who heed your name will trust in you:  
for you have never forsaken those that seek you.
- 11 O sing praises to the Lord who dwells in Zion:  
tell among the peoples what great things he has done.
- 12 For he that avenges blood has remembered the poor:  
he has not forgotten their cry.
- 13 The Lord has been merciful toward me,  
he saw what I suffered from my foes:  
he raised me up again from the gates of death,
- 14 That I might tell all your praises in the gates of Zion:  
that I might rejoice in your deliverance.
- 15 The nations have sunk into the pit they dug for others:  
in the very snare they laid is their foot taken;
- 16 The Lord has declared himself and upheld the right:  
the wicked are trapped in the work of their own hands.
- 17 The wicked shall be given over to death:  
and all the nations that forget God.
- 18 For the needy shall not always be forgotten:  
nor shall the hope of the poor perish for ever.
- 19 Arise, Lord, let no human power prevail:  
let the nations be judged before you.
- 20 Put them in fear, O Lord:  
and let the nations know they are but human.

### **John 12.20-33**

<sup>20</sup> Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. <sup>21</sup> They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, 'Sir, we wish to see Jesus.' <sup>22</sup> Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. <sup>23</sup> Jesus answered them, 'The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. <sup>24</sup> Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. <sup>25</sup> Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. <sup>26</sup> Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honour. <sup>27</sup> 'Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say—"Father, save me from this hour"? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. <sup>28</sup> Father, glorify your name.' Then a voice came from heaven, 'I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.' <sup>29</sup> The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, 'An angel has spoken to him.' <sup>30</sup> Jesus answered, 'This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. <sup>31</sup> Now is the judgement of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. <sup>32</sup> And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself.' <sup>33</sup> He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die.

## Tuesday

### Psalms 11; 12

#### 11

- 1 In the Lord I have found my refuge:  
how then can you say to me  
'Flee like a bird to the mountains;
- 2 'Look how the wicked make ready the bow,  
and notch their arrows upon the string:  
to shoot from the darkness at the true of heart;
- 3 'If the foundations are destroyed:  
what can the righteous do?'
- 4 The Lord is in his holy place,  
the Lord is enthroned in heaven:  
his eyes search out, his glance tries the children of Adam.
- 5 He tries the righteous and the wicked:  
and those that delight in violence his soul abhors.
- 6 He will rain down coals of fire and brimstone  
upon the wicked:  
a scorching wind shall be their cup to drink.
- 7 For the Lord is righteous and loves righteous acts:  
the upright shall see his face.

#### 12

- 1 Help, Lord, for there is not one godly person left:  
the faithful have vanished from among  
the children of Adam.
- 2 Everyone tells lies to their neighbour:  
they flatter with their lips,  
but speak from a double heart.
- 3 If only the Lord would cut off all flattering lips:  
and the tongue that speaks so proudly!
- 4 They say 'By our tongues we shall prevail:  
our lips are our servants—who is lord over us?'
- 5 Because of the oppression of the poor,  
because of the groaning of the needy:  
'I will arise', says the Lord,  
'and set them in safety from those that  
snarl after them.'
- 6 The words of the Lord are pure,  
as silver refined in a crucible:  
as gold that is seven times purified in the fire.
- 7 You will surely guard us, O Lord:  
and shield us for ever from this evil generation,
- 8 Though the ungodly strut on every side:  
though the vilest lord it over the children of Adam.

### **John 12.34-43**

<sup>34</sup> The crowd answered him, 'We have heard from the law that the Messiah remains for ever. How can you say that the Son of Man must be lifted up? Who is this Son of Man?'

<sup>35</sup> Jesus said to them, 'The light is with you for a little longer. Walk while you have the light, so that the darkness may not overtake you. If you walk in the darkness, you do not know where you are going.'

<sup>36</sup> 'While you have the light, believe in the light, so that you may become children of light.' After Jesus had said this, he departed and hid from them.

<sup>37</sup> Although he had performed so many signs in their presence, they did not believe in him.

<sup>38</sup> This was to fulfil the word spoken by the prophet Isaiah:

'Lord, who has believed our message,

and to whom has the arm of the Lord been revealed?'

<sup>39</sup> And so they could not believe, because Isaiah also said,

<sup>40</sup> 'He has blinded their eyes

and hardened their heart,

so that they might not look with their eyes,

and understand with their heart and turn—

and I would heal them.'

<sup>41</sup> Isaiah said this because he saw his glory and spoke about him.

<sup>42</sup> Nevertheless many, even of the authorities, believed in him. But because of the Pharisees they did not confess it, for fear that they would be put out of the synagogue;

<sup>43</sup> for they loved human glory more than the glory that comes from God.

## Wednesday

### Psalms 15; 16

#### 15

- 1 Lord, who may abide in your tabernacle:  
or who may dwell upon your holy hill?
- 2 Whoever leads an uncorrupt life  
and does the thing which is right:  
who speaks the truth from the heart,  
and has not slandered with the tongue;
- 3 Who has done no evil to a friend:  
nor vented abuse against a neighbour;
- 4 In whose eyes the worthless have no honour:  
but who makes much of those that fear the Lord;
- 5 Whoever has sworn to a neighbour:  
and will not go back on that oath;
- 6 Who has not put money to usury:  
nor taken a bribe against the innocent.
- 7 Whoever does these things:  
shall never be overthrown.

#### 16

- 1 Preserve me, O God:  
for in you have I taken refuge.
- 2 I have said to the Lord, You are my lord:  
and all my good depends on you.
- 3 As for those who are held holy on the earth:  
the other gods in whom people delight,
- 4 Though the idols are many that they run after:  
their offerings of blood I will not offer,  
nor take their name upon my lips.
- 5 The Lord is my appointed portion and my cup:  
you hold my lot in your hands.
- 6 The share that has fallen to me is in pleasant places:  
and a fair land is my possession.
- 7 I will bless the Lord who has given me counsel:  
at night also he has instructed my heart.
- 8 I have set the Lord always before me:  
he is at my right hand, and I shall not fall.
- 9 Therefore my heart is glad and my spirit rejoices:  
my flesh also shall rest secure.
- 10 For you will not give me over to the power of death:  
nor suffer your faithful one to see the Pit.
- 11 You will show me the path of life:  
in your presence is the fulness of joy,  
and from your right hand flow delights for evermore.

## **John 12.44-50**

<sup>44</sup> Then Jesus cried aloud: 'Whoever believes in me believes not in me but in him who sent me. <sup>45</sup> And whoever sees me sees him who sent me. <sup>46</sup> I have come as light into the world, so that everyone who believes in me should not remain in the darkness. <sup>47</sup> I do not judge anyone who hears my words and does not keep them, for I came not to judge the world, but to save the world. <sup>48</sup> The one who rejects me and does not receive my word has a judge; on the last day the word that I have spoken will serve as judge, <sup>49</sup> for I have not spoken on my own, but the Father who sent me has himself given me a commandment about what to say and what to speak. <sup>50</sup> And I know that his commandment is eternal life. What I speak, therefore, I speak just as the Father has told me.'

## Thursday

### Psalm 18.1-31

- 1 I love you, O Lord my strength:  
O Lord my crag, my fortress and my deliverer,
- 2 My God, the rock to which I come for refuge:  
my shield, my mighty saviour, and my high defence.
- 3 I called to the Lord with loud lamentation:  
and I was rescued from my enemies.
- 4 The waves of death encompassed me:  
and the floods of chaos overwhelmed me;
- 5 The cords of the grave tightened about me:  
and the snares of death lay in my path.
- 6 In my anguish I called to the Lord:  
I cried for help to my God.
- 7 From his temple he heard my voice:  
and my cry came even to his ears.
- 8 The earth heaved and quaked,  
the foundations of the hills were shaken:  
they trembled because he was angry.
- 9 Smoke went out from his nostrils:  
and a consuming fire from his mouth.
- 10 He parted the heavens and came down:  
and there was darkness under his feet.
- 11 He rode upon the cherubim and flew:  
he came swooping upon the wings of the wind.
- 12 He made the darkness his covering:  
and his canopy was thick cloud and watery darkness.
- 13 Out of his clouds, from the brightness before him:  
broke hailstones and coals of fire.
- 14 The Lord thundered in the heavens:  
the Most High uttered his voice.
- 15 He let loose his arrows, he scattered them on every side:  
he hurled down lightnings  
with the roar of the thunderbolt.
- 16 The springs of the sea were uncovered:  
and the foundations of the world laid bare,
- 17 At your rebuke, O Lord:  
at the blast of the breath of your displeasure.
- 18 He reached down from on high and took me:  
he drew me out of the great waters.
- 19 He delivered me from my strongest enemy:  
from my foes that were mightier than I.
- 20 They confronted me in the day of my calamity:  
but the Lord was my upholder.
- 21 He brought me out into a place of liberty:  
and rescued me because I delighted his heart.
- 22 The Lord rewarded me for my righteous dealing:  
he recompensed me according to  
the cleanness of my hands,



- 23 Because I had kept to the ways of the Lord:  
and had not turned from my God to do evil.
- 24 For I had an eye to all his laws:  
and did not put his commandments from me.
- 25 I was also blameless before him:  
and I kept myself from wrongdoing.
- 26 Therefore the Lord rewarded my innocence:  
because my hands were undefiled in his sight.
- 27 With the faithful you show yourself faithful:  
with the blameless you show yourself blameless;
- 28 With the pure you are pure:  
but with the crooked you show yourself perverse.
- 29 For you will save a humble people:  
but you bring down the high looks of the proud.
- 30 You light my lamp, O Lord my God:  
you make my darkness to be bright.
- 31 For with your help I can charge an armed troop:  
with the help of my God I can leap a city wall.

### **John 13.1-11**

<sup>1</sup> Now before the festival of the Passover, Jesus knew that his hour had come to depart from this world and go to the Father. Having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end. <sup>2</sup> The devil had already put it into the heart of Judas son of Simon Iscariot to betray him. And during supper <sup>3</sup> Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going to God, <sup>4</sup> got up from the table, took off his outer robe, and tied a towel around himself. <sup>5</sup> Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet and to wipe them with the towel that was tied around him. <sup>6</sup> He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, 'Lord, are you going to wash my feet?' <sup>7</sup> Jesus answered, 'You do not know now what I am doing, but later you will understand.' <sup>8</sup> Peter said to him, 'You will never wash my feet.' Jesus answered, 'Unless I wash you, you have no share with me.' <sup>9</sup> Simon Peter said to him, 'Lord, not my feet only but also my hands and my head!' <sup>10</sup> Jesus said to him, 'One who has bathed does not need to wash, except for the feet, but is entirely clean. And you are clean, though not all of you.' <sup>11</sup> For he knew who was to betray him; for this reason he said, 'Not all of you are clean.'

# Friday

## Psalm 19

- 1 The heavens declare the glory of God:  
and the firmament proclaims his handiwork;
- 2 One day tells it to another:  
and night to night communicates knowledge.
- 3 There is no speech or language:  
nor are their voices heard;
- 4 Yet their sound has gone out through all the world:  
and their words to the ends of the earth.
- 5 There he has pitched a tent for the sun:  
which comes out as a bridegroom from his chamber,  
and rejoices like a strong man to run his course.
- 6 Its rising is at one end of the heavens,  
and its circuit to their farthest bound:  
and nothing is hidden from its heat.
- 7 The law of the Lord is perfect, reviving the soul:  
the command of the Lord is true,  
and makes wise the simple.
- 8 The precepts of the Lord are right,  
and rejoice the heart:  
the commandment of the Lord is pure,  
and gives light to the eyes.
- 9 The fear of the Lord is clean, and endures for ever:  
the judgements of the Lord are unchanging,  
and righteous every one.
- 10 More to be desired are they than gold,  
even much fine gold:  
sweeter also than honey,  
than the honey that drips from the comb.
- 11 Moreover, by them is your servant taught:  
and in keeping them there is great reward.
- 12 Who can know their own unwitting sins?:  
O cleanse me from my secret faults.
- 13 Keep your servant also from presumptuous sins,  
lest they get the mastery over me:  
so I shall be clean, and innocent of great offence.
- 14 May the words of my mouth and the meditation  
of my heart be acceptable in your sight:  
O Lord, my strength and my redeemer.

## **John 13.12-20**

<sup>12</sup> After he had washed their feet, had put on his robe, and had returned to the table, he said to them, 'Do you know what I have done to you?' <sup>13</sup> You call me Teacher and Lord—and you are right, for that is what I am. <sup>14</sup> So if I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. <sup>15</sup> For I have set you an example, that you also should do as I have done to you. <sup>16</sup> Very truly, I tell you, servants are not greater than their master, nor are messengers greater than the one who sent them. <sup>17</sup> If you know these things, you are blessed if you do them. <sup>18</sup> I am not speaking of all of you; I know whom I have chosen. But it is to fulfil the scripture, "The one who ate my bread has lifted his heel against me." <sup>19</sup> I tell you this now, before it occurs, so that when it does occur, you may believe that I am he. <sup>20</sup> Very truly, I tell you, whoever receives one whom I send receives me; and whoever receives me receives him who sent me.'

## Saturday

### Psalms 20; 21.1-7

#### 20

- 1 May the Lord hear you in the day of trouble:  
the God of Jacob lift you up to safety.
- 2 May he send you his help from the sanctuary:  
and be your strong support from Zion.
- 3 May he remember all your offerings:  
and accept with favour your burnt sacrifices,
- 4 Grant you your heart's desire:  
and fulfil all your purposes.
- 5 May we also rejoice in your victory  
and triumph in the name of our God:  
the Lord perform all your petitions.
- 6 Now I know that the Lord will save his anointed:  
that he will answer him from his holy heaven  
with the victorious strength of his right hand.
- 7 Some put their trust in chariots and some in horses:  
but we will trust in the name of the Lord our God.
- 8 They are brought down and fallen:  
but we are made strong and stand upright.
- 9 O Lord, save the king:  
and hear us when we call upon you.

#### 21

- 1 The king shall rejoice in your strength, O Lord:  
he shall exult in your salvation.
- 2 You have given him his heart's desire:  
you have not denied him the request of his lips.
- 3 For you came to meet him with the blessings of success:  
and placed a crown of gold upon his head.
- 4 He asked you for life and you gave it him:  
length of days for ever and ever.
- 5 Great is his glory because of your salvation:  
you have clothed him with honour and majesty.
- 6 You have given him everlasting felicity:  
and made him glad with the joy of your presence.
- 7 For the king puts his trust in the Lord:  
and through the tender mercy of the Most High  
he shall never be moved.

## John 13.21-35

<sup>21</sup> After saying this Jesus was troubled in spirit, and declared, 'Very truly, I tell you, one of you will betray me.'<sup>22</sup> The disciples looked at one another, uncertain of whom he was speaking.<sup>23</sup> One of his disciples—the one whom Jesus loved—was reclining next to him;<sup>24</sup> Simon Peter therefore motioned to him to ask Jesus of whom he was speaking.<sup>25</sup> So while reclining next to Jesus, he asked him, 'Lord, who is it?'<sup>26</sup> Jesus answered, 'It is the one to whom I give this piece of bread when I have dipped it in the dish.' So when he had dipped the piece of bread, he gave it to Judas son of Simon Iscariot.<sup>27</sup> After he received the piece of bread, Satan entered into him. Jesus said to him, 'Do quickly what you are going to do.'<sup>28</sup> Now no one at the table knew why he said this to him.<sup>29</sup> Some thought that, because Judas had the common purse, Jesus was telling him, 'Buy what we need for the festival'; or, that he should give something to the poor.<sup>30</sup> So, after receiving the piece of bread, he immediately went out. And it was night.<sup>31</sup> When he had gone out, Jesus said, 'Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him.<sup>32</sup> If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once.'<sup>33</sup> Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, "Where I am going, you cannot come."<sup>34</sup> I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another.<sup>35</sup> By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.'

# Sunday

## Psalm 99

- 1 The Lord is king, let the nations tremble:  
he is enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth quake.
- 2 The Lord is great in Zion:  
he is high above all nations.
- 3 Let them praise your great and terrible name:  
for holy is the Lord.
- 4 The Mighty One is king and loves justice:  
you have established equity,  
you have dealt righteousness and justice in Jacob.
- 5 O exalt the Lord our God:  
and bow down before his footstool, for he is holy.
- 6 Moses and Aaron among his priests,  
and Samuel among those who call upon his name:  
they called to the Lord and he answered.
- 7 He spoke to them from the pillar of cloud:  
they kept to his teachings and the law that he gave them.
- 8 You answered them, O Lord our God:  
you were a forgiving God to them,  
and pardoned their wrongdoing.
- 9 O exalt the Lord our God:  
and bow down towards his holy hill,  
for the Lord our God is holy.

## **John 15.17-27**

<sup>17</sup> I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another. <sup>18</sup> 'If the world hates you, be aware that it hated me before it hated you. <sup>19</sup> If you belonged to the world, the world would love you as its own. Because you do not belong to the world, but I have chosen you out of the world—therefore the world hates you. <sup>20</sup> Remember the word that I said to you, "Servants are not greater than their master." If they persecuted me, they will persecute you; if they kept my word, they will keep yours also. <sup>21</sup> But they will do all these things to you on account of my name, because they do not know him who sent me. <sup>22</sup> If I had not come and spoken to them, they would not have sin; but now they have no excuse for their sin. <sup>23</sup> Whoever hates me hates my Father also. <sup>24</sup> If I had not done among them the works that no one else did, they would not have sin. But now they have seen and hated both me and my Father. <sup>25</sup> It was to fulfil the word that is written in their law, "They hated me without a cause." <sup>26</sup> 'When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who comes from the Father, he will testify on my behalf. <sup>27</sup> You also are to testify because you have been with me from the beginning.

