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Monday 8 February

Psalm 89.1-18

- 1 Lord, I will sing for ever of your loving-kindnesses:
my mouth shall proclaim your faithfulness
throughout all generations.
- 2 I have said of your loving-kindness
that it is built for ever:
you have established your faithfulness in the heavens.
- 3 The Lord said 'I have made a covenant with my chosen:
I have sworn an oath to my servant David.
- 4 'I will establish your line for ever:
and build up your throne for all generations.'
- 5 Let the heavens praise your wonders, O Lord:
and let your faithfulness be sung
in the assembly of the holy ones.
- 6 For who amidst the clouds can be compared to the Lord:
or who is like the Lord amongst the gods?
- 7 —A God to be feared in the council of the holy ones:
great and terrible above all that are around him.
- 8 O Lord God of hosts, who is like you?:
your power and your faithfulness are all about you.
- 9 You rule the raging of the sea:
when its waves surge, you still them.
- 10 You crushed Rahab like a carcass:
you scattered your enemies by your mighty arm.
- 11 The heavens are yours, so also is the earth:
you founded the world and all that is in it.
- 12 You created the north and the south:
Tabor and Mount Hermon shall sing of your name.
- 13 Mighty is your arm:
strong is your hand,
and your right hand is lifted high.
- 14 Righteousness and justice
are the foundation of your throne:
loving-kindness and faithfulness attend your presence.
- 15 Happy the people who know the triumphal shout:
who walk, O Lord, in the light of your countenance.
- 16 They rejoice all the day long because of your name:
because of your righteousness they are exalted.
- 17 For you are their glory and their strength:
and our heads are uplifted by your favour.
- 18 Our king belongs to the Lord:
he that rules over us to the Holy One of Israel.

Luke 4.1-15

¹ Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness,

² where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing at all during those days, and when they were over, he was famished.

³ The devil said to him, 'If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become a loaf of bread.'

⁴ Jesus answered him, 'It is written, "One does not live by bread alone." '

⁵ Then the devil led him up and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world.

⁶ And the devil said to him, 'To you I will give their glory and all this authority; for it has been given over to me, and I give it to anyone I please.

⁷ If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours.'

⁸ Jesus answered him, 'It is written,

"Worship the Lord your God,
and serve only him." '

⁹ Then the devil took him to Jerusalem, and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, 'If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here,

¹⁰ for it is written,

"He will command his angels concerning you,
to protect you",

¹¹ and

"On their hands they will bear you up,
so that you will not dash your foot against a stone." '

¹² Jesus answered him, 'It is said, "Do not put the Lord your God to the test." '

¹³ When the devil had finished every test, he departed from him until an opportune time.

¹⁴ Then Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country.

¹⁵ He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone.

Tuesday 9 February

Psalm 89.39-53

- 39 Yet you have been enraged against your anointed:
you have abhorred him and rejected him.
- 40 You have spurned the covenant with your servant:
and defiled his crown to the dust.
- 41 You have broken down all his walls:
and made his strongholds desolate.
- 42 All that pass by plunder him:
he has become the scorn of his neighbours.
- 43 You have exalted the right hand of his adversaries:
and gladdened all his enemies.
- 44 His bright sword you have turned backward:
you have not enabled him to stand in the battle.
- 45 You have brought his lustre to an end:
you have cast his throne to the ground.
- 46 You have cut short the days of his youth:
and clothed him with dishonour.
- 47 How long, O Lord, will you hide yourself so utterly:
how long shall your fury burn like fire?
- 48 Remember how I draw to my eternal end:
did you create the children of Adam for nothing?
- 49 Where are they that can live and not see death:
that can deliver their life from the power of the grave?
- 50 Where, O Lord, are your loving-kindnesses of old:
which you have vowed to David in your faithfulness?
- 51 Remember, O Lord, how your servant is reviled:
how I bear in my bosom the onslaught of the peoples;
- 52 Remember how your enemies taunt:
how they mock the footsteps of your anointed.
- 53 Blessed be the Lord for ever:
Amen and Amen.

Luke 4.16-30

¹⁶ When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read,

¹⁷ and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written:

¹⁸ 'The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,
because he has anointed me
to bring good news to the poor.

He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives
and recovery of sight to the blind,
to let the oppressed go free,

¹⁹ to proclaim the year of the Lord's favour.'

²⁰ And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him.

²¹ Then he began to say to them, 'Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.'

²² All spoke well of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his mouth. They said, 'Is not this Joseph's son?'

²³ He said to them, 'Doubtless you will quote to me this proverb, "Doctor, cure yourself!" And you will say, "Do here also in your home town the things that we have heard you did at Capernaum."'

²⁴ And he said, 'Truly I tell you, no prophet is accepted in the prophet's home town.

²⁵ But the truth is, there were many widows in Israel in the time of Elijah, when the heaven was shut up for three years and six months, and there was a severe famine over all the land;

²⁶ yet Elijah was sent to none of them except to a widow at Zarephath in Sidon.

²⁷ There were also many lepers in Israel in the time of the prophet Elisha, and none of them was cleansed except Naaman the Syrian.'

²⁸ When they heard this, all in the synagogue were filled with rage.

²⁹ They got up, drove him out of the town, and led him to the brow of the hill on which their town was built, so that they might hurl him off the cliff.

³⁰ But he passed through the midst of them and went on his way.

Wednesday 10 February

Psalms 92; 93

92

- 1 How good to give thanks to the Lord:
to sing praises to your name, O Most High,
- 2 To declare your love in the morning:
and at night to sing of your faithfulness,
- 3 Upon the lute, upon the lute of ten strings:
and to the melody of the lyre.
- 4 For in all you have done, O Lord, you have made me glad:
I will sing for joy because of the works of your hands.
- 5 Lord, how glorious are your works:
your thoughts are very deep.
- 6 The brutish do not consider:
and the fool cannot understand
- 7 That though the wicked sprout like grass:
and all wrongdoers flourish,
- 8 They flourish to be destroyed for ever:
but you, Lord, are exalted for evermore.
- 9 For behold, your enemies, O Lord,
your enemies shall perish:
and all the workers of wickedness shall be scattered.
- 10 You have lifted up my head
like the horns of the wild oxen:
I am anointed with fresh oil;
- 11 My eyes have looked down on my enemies:
and my ears have heard the ruin
of those who rose up against me.
- 12 The righteous shall flourish like the palm tree:
they shall spread abroad like a cedar in Lebanon;
- 13 For they are planted in the house of the Lord:
and flourish in the courts of our God.
- 14 In old age they shall be full of sap:
they shall be sturdy and laden with branches;
- 15 And they will say that the Lord is just:
the Lord my Rock, in whom is no unrighteousness.

93

- 1 The Lord is king, and has put on robes of glory:
the Lord has put on his glory,
he has girded himself with strength.
- 2 He has made the world so firm:
that it cannot be moved.
- 3 Your throne is established from of old:
you are from everlasting.
- 4 The floods have lifted up, O Lord,
the floods have lifted up their voice:
the floods lift up their pounding.

- 5 But mightier than the sound of many waters,
than the mighty waters or the breakers of the sea:
the Lord on high is mighty.
- 6 Your decrees are very sure:
and holiness, O Lord, adorns your house for ever.

Luke 4.31-44

³¹ He went down to Capernaum, a city in Galilee, and was teaching them on the sabbath. ³² They were astounded at his teaching, because he spoke with authority. ³³ In the synagogue there was a man who had the spirit of an unclean demon, and he cried out with a loud voice, ³⁴ 'Let us alone! What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are, the Holy One of God.' ³⁵ But Jesus rebuked him, saying, 'Be silent, and come out of him!' When the demon had thrown him down before them, he came out of him without having done him any harm. ³⁶ They were all amazed and kept saying to one another, 'What kind of utterance is this? For with authority and power he commands the unclean spirits, and out they come!' ³⁷ And a report about him began to reach every place in the region. ³⁸ After leaving the synagogue he entered Simon's house. Now Simon's mother-in-law was suffering from a high fever, and they asked him about her. ³⁹ Then he stood over her and rebuked the fever, and it left her. Immediately she got up and began to serve them. ⁴⁰ As the sun was setting, all those who had any who were sick with various kinds of diseases brought them to him; and he laid his hands on each of them and cured them. ⁴¹ Demons also came out of many, shouting, 'You are the Son of God!' But he rebuked them and would not allow them to speak, because they knew that he was the Messiah. ⁴² At daybreak he departed and went into a deserted place. And the crowds were looking for him; and when they reached him, they wanted to prevent him from leaving them. ⁴³ But he said to them, 'I must proclaim the good news of the kingdom of God to the other cities also; for I was sent for this purpose.' ⁴⁴ So he continued proclaiming the message in the synagogues of Judea.

Thursday 11 February

Psalms 95; 96

95

- 1 O come, let us sing out to the Lord:
let us shout in triumph to the rock of our salvation.
- 2 Let us come before his face with thanksgiving:
and cry out to him joyfully in psalms.
- 3 For the Lord is a great God:
and a great king above all gods.
- 4 In his hand are the depths of the earth:
and the peaks of the mountains are his also.
- 5 The sea is his and he made it:
his hands moulded dry land.
- 6 Come, let us worship and bow down:
and kneel before the Lord our maker.
- 7 For he is the Lord our God:
we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.
- 8 Today if only you would hear his voice—
'Do not harden your hearts as at Meribah:
as on that day at Massah in the wilderness;
- 9 'When your forebears tested me:
put me to proof, though they had seen my works.
- 10 'Forty years long I loathed that generation and said:
"It is a people who err in their hearts,
for they do not know my ways";
- 11 'Of whom I swore in my wrath:
"They shall not enter my rest."

96

- 1 O sing to the Lord a new song:
sing to the Lord, all the earth.
- 2 Sing to the Lord and bless his holy name:
proclaim the good news of his salvation from day to day.
- 3 Declare his glory among the nations:
and his wonders among all peoples.
- 4 For great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised:
he is more to be feared than all gods.
- 5 As for all the gods of the nations, they are mere idols:
it is the Lord who made the heavens.
- 6 Majesty and glory are before him:
beauty and power are in his sanctuary.
- 7 Render to the Lord, you families of the nations:
render to the Lord glory and might.
- 8 Render to the Lord the honour due to his name:
bring offerings and come into his courts.
- 9 O worship the Lord in the beauty of his holiness:
let the whole earth stand in awe of him.

- 10 Say among the nations that the Lord is king:
he has made the world so firm
that it can never be moved;
and he shall judge the peoples with equity.
- 11 Let the heavens rejoice and let the earth be glad:
let the sea roar, and all that fills it:
- 12 Let the fields rejoice, and everything in them:
then shall all the trees of the wood
shout with joy before the Lord;
- 13 For he comes, he comes to judge the earth:
he shall judge the world with righteousness,
and the peoples with his truth.

Luke 5.1-11

¹ Once while Jesus was standing beside the lake of Gennesaret, and the crowd was pressing in on him to hear the word of God, ² he saw two boats there at the shore of the lake; the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. ³ He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little way from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat. ⁴ When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, 'Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch.'⁵ Simon answered, 'Master, we have worked all night long but have caught nothing. Yet if you say so, I will let down the nets.'⁶ When they had done this, they caught so many fish that their nets were beginning to break. ⁷ So they signalled to their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both boats, so that they began to sink. ⁸ But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, 'Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man!' ⁹ For he and all who were with him were amazed at the catch of fish that they had taken; ¹⁰ and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. Then Jesus said to Simon, 'Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching people.'¹¹ When they had brought their boats to shore, they left everything and followed him.

Friday 12 February

Psalms 99; 100

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.

100

- 1 O shout to the Lord in triumph, all the earth:
serve the Lord with gladness,
and come before his face with songs of joy.
- 2 Know that the Lord he is God:
it is he who has made us and we are his;
we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.
- 3 Come into his gates with thanksgiving,
and into his courts with praise:
give thanks to him, and bless his holy name.
- 4 For the Lord is good, his loving mercy is for ever:
his faithfulness throughout all generations.

Luke 5.12-26

¹² Once, when he was in one of the cities, there was a man covered with leprosy. When he saw Jesus, he bowed with his face to the ground and begged him, 'Lord, if you choose, you can make me clean.' ¹³ Then Jesus stretched out his hand, touched him, and said, 'I do choose. Be made clean.' Immediately the leprosy left him. ¹⁴ And he ordered him to tell no one. 'Go', he said, 'and show yourself to the priest, and, as Moses commanded, make an offering for your cleansing, for a testimony to them.' ¹⁵ But now more than ever the word about Jesus spread abroad; many crowds would gather to hear him and to be cured of their diseases. ¹⁶ But he would withdraw to deserted places and pray. ¹⁷ One day, while he was teaching, Pharisees and teachers of the law were sitting nearby (they had come from every village of Galilee and Judea and from Jerusalem); and the power of the Lord was with him to heal. ¹⁸ Just then some men came, carrying a paralysed man on a bed. They were trying to bring him in and lay him before Jesus; ¹⁹ but finding no way to bring him in because of the crowd, they went up on the roof and let him down with his bed through the tiles into the middle of the crowd in front of Jesus. ²⁰ When he saw their faith, he said, 'Friend, your sins are forgiven you.' ²¹ Then the scribes and the Pharisees began to question, 'Who is this who is speaking blasphemies? Who can forgive sins but God alone?' ²² When Jesus perceived their questionings, he answered them, 'Why do you raise such questions in your hearts? ²³ Which is easier, to say, "Your sins are forgiven you", or to say, "Stand up and walk"? ²⁴ But so that you may know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins'—he said to the one who was paralysed—'I say to you, stand up and take your bed and go to your home.' ²⁵ Immediately he stood up before them, took what he had been lying on, and went to his home, glorifying God. ²⁶ Amazement seized all of them, and they glorified God and were filled with awe, saying, 'We have seen strange things today.'

Saturday 13 February

Psalms 101; 102.1-11

101

- 1 My song shall be of steadfastness and justice:
to you, Lord, will I sing.
- 2 I will be wise in the way of innocence:
O when will you come to me?
- 3 I will walk within my house:
in purity of heart.
- 4 I will set nothing evil before my eyes:
I hate the sin of backsliders, it shall get no hold on me.
- 5 Crookedness of heart shall depart from me:
I will know nothing of wickedness.
- 6 Those who secretly slander their neighbours I will destroy:
the proud look and the arrogant heart I will not endure.]
- 7 My eyes shall look to the faithful in the land,
and they shall make their home with me:
those who walk in the way of innocence,
they shall minister to me.
- 8 No one who practises deceit shall live in my house:
no one who utters lies shall stand in my sight.
- 9 Morning by morning I will destroy
all the wicked of the land:
and cut off all evildoers from the city of the Lord.]

102

- 1 O Lord, hear my prayer:
and let my cry come to you.
- 2 Do not hide your face from me in the day of my trouble:
turn your ear to me;
and when I call, be swift to answer.
- 3 For my days pass away like smoke:
and my bones burn as in a furnace.
- 4 My heart is scorched and withered like grass:
and I forget to eat my bread.
- 5 I am weary with the sound of my groaning:
my bones stick fast to my skin.
- 6 I have become like an owl in the wilderness:
like a screech-owl among the ruins.
- 7 I keep watch and flit to and fro:
like a sparrow upon a housetop.
- 8 My enemies taunt me all day long:
and those who rave at me make oaths against me.
- 9 Surely I have eaten ashes for bread:
and mingled my drink with tears,
- 10 Because of your wrath and indignation:
for you have taken me up and tossed me aside.
- 11 My days decline like a shadow:
and I wither away like grass.

Luke 5.27-39

²⁷ After this he went out and saw a tax-collector named Levi, sitting at the tax booth; and he said to him, 'Follow me.' ²⁸ And he got up, left everything, and followed him. ²⁹ Then Levi gave a great banquet for him in his house; and there was a large crowd of tax-collectors and others sitting at the table with them. ³⁰ The Pharisees and their scribes were complaining to his disciples, saying, 'Why do you eat and drink with tax-collectors and sinners?' ³¹ Jesus answered, 'Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick; ³² I have come to call not the righteous but sinners to repentance.' ³³ Then they said to him, 'John's disciples, like the disciples of the Pharisees, frequently fast and pray, but your disciples eat and drink.' ³⁴ Jesus said to them, 'You cannot make wedding-guests fast while the bridegroom is with them, can you? ³⁵ The days will come when the bridegroom will be taken away from them, and then they will fast in those days.' ³⁶ He also told them a parable: 'No one tears a piece from a new garment and sews it on an old garment; otherwise the new will be torn, and the piece from the new will not match the old. ³⁷ And no one puts new wine into old wineskins; otherwise the new wine will burst the skins and will be spilled, and the skins will be destroyed. ³⁸ But new wine must be put into fresh wineskins. ³⁹ And no one after drinking old wine desires new wine, but says, "The old is good." '

Sunday 14 February

Psalm 97

- 1 The Lord is king; let the earth rejoice:
let the multitude of islands be glad.
- 2 Clouds and darkness are round about him:
righteousness and justice
are the foundation of his throne.
- 3 Fire goes before him:
and burns up his enemies on every side.
- 4 His lightnings light the world:
the earth sees it and quakes.
- 5 The mountains melt like wax before his face:
from before the face of the Lord of all the earth.
- 6 The heavens have proclaimed his righteousness:
and all peoples have seen his glory.
- 7 They are ashamed, all those who serve idols
and glory in mere nothings:
all gods bow down before him.
- 8 Zion heard and was glad,
and the daughters of Judah rejoiced:
because of your judgements, O God.
- 9 For you, Lord, are most high over all the earth:
you are exalted far above all gods.
- 10 The Lord loves those that hate evil:
the Lord guards the life of the faithful,
and delivers them from the hand of the ungodly.
- 11 Light dawns for the righteous:
and joy for the true of heart.
- 12 Rejoice in the Lord, you righteous:
and give thanks to his holy name.

2 Peter 1.12-19

¹² Therefore I intend to keep on reminding you of these things, though you know them already and are established in the truth that has come to you. ¹³ I think it right, as long as I am in this body, to refresh your memory, ¹⁴ since I know that my death will come soon, as indeed our Lord Jesus Christ has made clear to me. ¹⁵ And I will make every effort so that after my departure you may be able at any time to recall these things. ¹⁶ For we did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty. ¹⁷ For he received honour and glory from God the Father when that voice was conveyed to him by the Majestic Glory, saying, 'This is my Son, my Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.' ¹⁸ We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven, while we were with him on the holy mountain. ¹⁹ So we have the prophetic message more fully confirmed. You will do well to be attentive to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts.

