- Scriptural Selection

1. Prov. 17:27

He that hath knowledge spareth his words: *and* a man of understanding is of an excellent spirit.

2. Isa. 11:1-3 there (to 1st:)

- there shall come forth a rod out of the stem of Jesse, and a Branch shall grow out of his roots:
- And the spirit of the LORD shall rest upon him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the LORD;
- 3 And shall make him of quick understanding in the fear of the LORD:

3. Matt. 13:1-17

- THE same day went Jesus out of the house, and sat by the sea side.
- 2 And great multitudes were gathered together unto him, so that he went into a ship, and sat; and the whole multitude stood on the shore.
- And he spake many things unto them in parables, saying, Behold, a sower went forth to sow;
- 4 And when he sowed, some *seeds* fell by the way side, and the fowls came and devoured them up:
- 5 Some fell upon stony places, where they had not much earth: and forthwith they sprung up, because they had no deepness of earth:
- 6 And when the sun was up, they were scorched; and because they had no root, they withered away.
- And some fell among thorns; and the thorns sprung up, and choked them:
- 8 But other fell into good ground, and brought forth fruit, some an hundredfold, some sixtyfold, some thirtyfold.
- 9 Who hath ears to hear, let him hear.
- 10 And the disciples came, and said unto him, Why speakest thou unto them in parables?
- He answered and said unto them, Because it is given unto you to know the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven, but to them it is not given.
- 12 For whosoever hath, to him shall be given, and he shall have more abundance: but whosoever hath not, from him shall be taken away even that he hath.
- 13 Therefore speak I to them in parables: because they seeing see not; and hearing they hear not, neither do they understand.

- And in them is fulfilled the prophecy of Esaias, which saith, By hearing ye shall hear, and shall not understand; and seeing ye shall see, and shall not perceive:
- For this people's heart is waxed gross, and *their* ears are dull of hearing, and their eyes they have closed; lest at any time they should see with *their* eyes, and hear with *their* ears, and should understand with *their* heart, and should be converted, and I should heal them.
- But blessed *are* your eyes, for they see: and your ears, for they hear.
- 17 For verily I say unto you, That many prophets and righteous *men* have desired to see *those things* which ye see, and have not seen *them;* and to hear *those things* which ye hear and have not heard *them*.

4. I Cor 14:19 1st in, 20

- in the church I had rather speak five words with my understanding, that *by my voice* I might teach others also, than ten thousand words in an *unknown* tongue.
- 20 Brethren, be not children in understanding: howbeit in malice be ye children, but in understanding be men.

- Benediction

Colns 1:9

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We continually ask God to fill you with the knowledge of his will through all the wisdom and understanding that the Spirit gives,...

- Hymns

Hymn 240

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THATCHER

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ST. EDMUND

EDMUND GILDING

O Spirit, source of light, Thy grace is unconfined; Dispel the gloomy shades of night, Reveal the light of Mind.

Now to our eyes display The truth Thy words reveal; Cause us to run the heavenly way, Delighting in Thy will.

Thy teachings make us know

The mysteries of Thy love; The vanity of things below, The joy of things above.

Hymn 188

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ELIZABETH C. ADAMS

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ROCKINGHAM

EDWARD MILLER

No eye hath seen, nor tongue declared, Nor hath it entered heart of man, To know what God hath here prepared For them that love and trust His plan.

But He whose Spirit searcheth deep Hath sent His Word to all mankind, The Word that bids them find and keep The priceless treasures of His Mind.

O come and find, the Spirit saith, The Truth that maketh all men free. The world is sad with dreams of death. Lo, I am Life, come unto Me.

Hymn 42

Hymn 42

JONATHAN EVANS*

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REGENT SQUARE

HENRY SMART

Come, Thou all-transforming Spirit, Bless the sower and the seed; Let each heart Thy grace inherit; Raise the weak, the hungry feed; From the Gospel, from the Gospel Now supply Thy people's need.

O, may all enjoy the blessing Which Thy holy word doth give; Let us all, Thy love possessing, Joyfully Thy truth receive; And forever, and forever To Thy praise and glory live.

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