

2019-07-21 Life



Scriptural selection



Deut 10:8, 9, 11-16, 20, 21; 11:8, 9, Christian Standard Bible:

At that time the Lord set apart the tribe of Levi to carry the ark of the Lord's covenant, to stand before the Lord to serve him, and to pronounce blessings in his name, as it is today. For this reason, Levi does not have a portion or inheritance like his brothers; the Lord is his inheritance, as the Lord your God told him. ... Then the Lord said to me, 'Get up. Continue your journey ahead of the people, so that they may enter and possess the land I swore to give their fathers.'

And now, Israel, what does the Lord your God ask of you except to fear the Lord your God by walking in all his ways, to love him, and to worship the Lord your God with all your heart and all your soul? Keep the Lord's commands and statutes I am giving you today, for your own good. The heavens, indeed the highest heavens, belong to the Lord your God, as does the earth and everything in it. Yet the Lord had his heart set on your fathers and loved them. He chose their descendants after them — he chose you out of all the peoples, as it is today. Therefore, circumcise your hearts and don't be stiff-necked any longer. ... You are to fear the Lord your God and worship him. Remain faithful to him and take oaths in his name. He is your praise and he is your God, who has done for you these great and awe-inspiring works your eyes have seen. ... Keep every command I am giving you today, so that you may have the strength to cross into and possess the land you are to inherit, and so that you may live long in the land the Lord swore to your fathers to give them and their descendants, a land flowing with milk and honey.



Benediction

Rom. 6:22 now

22 ... now being made free from sin, and become servants to God, ye have your fruit unto holiness, and the end everlasting life.



Hymns

1. Hymn. 48:1-3

Dear Father-Mother, Thou dost grant All good and perfect gifts to me; 'Tis mine to raise this beacon here, Obedience unto Thee.

He knows not death who Life obeys, Nor errs at all when Truth he heeds; While merged in Love, what hold has hate Upon his thoughts or deeds?

Eternal Life and Truth and Love, They who obey Thine every call, Thy freemen are, and freely have Dominion over all.

2. Hymn. 111:1-3

High in the heavens, eternal God, Thy goodness in full glory shines; Thy truth shall break through every cloud That veils and darkens Thy designs.

Forever firm Thy justice stands, As mountains their foundations keep: How wise the wonders of Thy hands; Thy judgments are a mighty deep.

Life, like a fountain rich and free, Springs from the presence of my Lord; And in Thy light we all shall see The glories promised in Thy Word.

3. Hymn. 135:1-2

I know no life divided,
O Lord of life, from Thee;
In Thee is life provided
For all mankind and me:
I know no death, O Father,
Because I live in Thee;
Thy life it is that frees us
From death eternally.

I fear no tribulation,
Since, whatsoe'er it be,
It makes no separation
Between my Lord and me:
Since Thou, my God and Father,

Dost claim me as Thine own, I richly shall inherit All good, from Thee alone.

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