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Scriptural selection



Psalm 33, English Standard Version:

The Steadfast Love of the LORD

Shout for joy in the LORD, O you righteous!

Praise befits the upright.

Give thanks to the LORD with the lyre;

make melody to him with the harp of ten strings!

Sing to him a new song;

play skillfully on the strings, with loud shouts.

For the word of the LORD is upright,

and all his work is done in faithfulness.

He loves righteousness and justice;

the earth is full of the steadfast love of the LORD.

By the word of the LORD the heavens were made,

and by the breath of his mouth all their host.

He gathers the waters of the sea as a heap;

he puts the deeps in storehouses.

Let all the earth fear the LORD;

let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe of him!

For he spoke, and it came to be;

he commanded, and it stood firm.

The LORD brings the counsel of the nations to nothing;

he frustrates the plans of the peoples.

The counsel of the LORD stands forever,

the plans of his heart to all generations.

Blessed is the nation whose God is the LORD,

the people whom he has chosen as his heritage!

The LORD looks down from heaven;

he sees all the children of man;

from where he sits enthroned he looks out

on all the inhabitants of the earth.

he who fashions the hearts of them all

and observes all their deeds.

The king is not saved by his great army;

a warrior is not delivered by his great strength.

The war horse is a false hope for salvation, and by its great might it cannot rescue.

Behold, the eye of the LORD is on those who fear him, on those who hope in his steadfast love, that he may deliver their soul from death and keep them alive in famine.

Our soul waits for the LORD; he is our help and our shield.

For our heart is glad in him, because we trust in his holy name.

Let your steadfast love, O LORD, be upon us, even as we hope in you.

Benediction



Phil. 4:7,9; English Standard Version:

And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

What you have learned and received and heard and seen in [him], practice these things: and the God of peace will be with you.



Hymns

1. Hymn. 513

It matters not what be thy lot, So Love doth guide; For storm or shine, pure peace is thine, Whate'er betide.

And of these stones, or tyrants' thrones, God able is To raise up seed—in thought and deed— To faithful His.

Aye, darkling sense, arise, go hence!
Our God is good.
False fears are foes—truth tatters those,
When understood.

Love looseth thee, and lifteth me, Ayont hate's thrall: There Life is light, and wisdom might, And God is All. The centuries break, the earth-bound wake, God's glorified!
Who doth His will—His likeness still—Is satisfied.

2. Hymn. 437

All my hope on God is founded;
Day by day my trust is new.
Through the trials of life He guides me,
Only good and only true.
God alone, dearly known,
Calls my heart to be His own.

Earthly treasures, pride and glory, Human power and worldly trust, Though with care and toil are builded, In the end will fall to dust. But God's power, hour by hour, Is my temple and my tower.

Daily does th'almighty Giver Bounteous gifts on us bestow. Love's desire our soul delighteth, Joy attends us where we go. Blessings stand at God's hand, Healing flows at Love's command.

Now from man to God eternal Endless thanks and praise be sung. Hearts made new are anthems raising Through the love of Christ, His Son. Hear God's call, one and all, We who follow shall not fall.

3. Hymn. 77

God is my strong salvation;
What foe have I to fear?
In darkness and temptation,
My light, my help is near:
Though hosts encamp around me,
Firm in the fight I stand;
What terror can confound me,
With God at my right hand?

Place on the Lord reliance; My heart, with courage wait; His truth be thine affiance, When faint and desolate:
His might thy heart shall strengthen,
His love thy joy increase;
Thy day shall mercy lengthen:
The Lord will give thee peace.

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