

Psalm 59

Eripe me de inimicis

1 Rescue me from my enemies, O God; *
protect me from those who rise up against me.

2 Rescue me from evildoers *
and save me from those who thirst for my blood.

3 See how they lie in wait for my life,
how the mighty gather together against me; *
not for any offence or fault of mine, O Lord.

4 Not because of any guilt of mine *
they run and prepare themselves for battle.

5 Rouse yourself, come to my side, and see; *
for you, Lord God of hosts, are Israel's God.
Awake, and punish all the ungodly; *
show no mercy to those who are faithless and evil.

6 They go to and fro in the evening; *
they snarl like dogs and run about the city.

7 Behold, they boast with their mouths, and taunts are on their lips; *
“For who,” they say, “will hear us?”

8 But you, O Lord, you laugh at them; *
you laugh all the ungodly to scorn.

9 My eyes are fixed on you, O my Strength; *
for you, O God, are my stronghold.

10 My merciful God comes to meet me *
and will let me look in triumph on my enemies.

11 Slay them, O God, *
lest my people forget;
send them reeling by your might *
and put them down, O Lord our shield.

12 For the sins of their mouths, for the words of their lips,
for the cursing and lies that they utter, *
let them be caught in their pride.

13 Make an end of them in your wrath; *
make an end of them, and they shall be no more.
Let everyone know that God rules in Jacob, *
and to the ends of the earth.

14 They go to and fro in the evening; *
they snarl like dogs and run about the city.

15 They forage for food, *
and if they are not filled, they howl.

16 For my part, I will sing of your strength; *
I will celebrate your love in the morning;

17 For you have become my stronghold, *
a refuge in the day of my trouble.
To you, O my Strength, will I sing; *
for you, O God, are my stronghold and my merciful God.

Psalm 60

Deus, repulisti nos

1 O God, you have cast us off and broken us; *
you have been angry; oh, take us back to you again.

2 You have shaken the earth and split it open; *
repair the cracks in it, for it totters.

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3 You have made your people know hardship; *
you have given us wine that makes us stagger.

4 You have set up a banner for those who fear you, *
to be a refuge from the power of the bow.

5 Save us by your mighty hand and answer us, *
that those who are dear to you may be delivered.

6 You spoke from your holy dwelling and said: *
“I will exult and parcel out Shechem;
I will divide the valley of Succoth.

7 Gilead is mine and Manasseh is mine; *
Ephraim is my helmet and Judah my sceptre.

8 Moab is my wash basin,
on Edom I throw down my sandal to claim it, *
and over Philistia will I shout in triumph.”

9 Who will lead me into the strong city? *
Who will bring me into Edom?

10 Have you not cast us off, O God? *
you no longer go out, O God, with our armies.

11 Grant us your help against the enemy, *
for vain is the help of mortals.

12 With you we will do valiant deeds, *
and you shall tread our enemies under foot.

Glory to God, Source of all being, eternal Word, and Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

1 Corinthians 11:17-34

A reading from the first letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

Now in the following instructions I do not commend you, because when you come together it is not for the better but for the worse. For, to begin with, when you come together as a church, I hear that there are divisions among you, and to some extent I believe it. Indeed, there have to be factions among you, for only so will it become clear who among you are genuine. When you come together, it is not really to eat the Lord's supper. For when the time comes to eat, each of you proceeds to eat your own supper, and one goes hungry and another becomes drunk. What! Do you not have households to eat and drink in? Or do you show contempt for the church of God and humiliate those who have nothing? What should I say to you? Should I commend you? In this matter I do not commend you!

For I received from the Lord what I also handed on to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took a loaf of bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body that is for you. Do this in remembrance of me." In the same way he took the cup also, after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me." For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Whoever, therefore, eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be answerable for the body and blood of the Lord. Examine yourselves, and only then eat of the bread and drink of the cup. For all who eat and drink without discerning the body eat and drink judgment against themselves. For this reason many of you are weak and ill, and some have died. But if we judged ourselves, we would not be judged. But when we are judged by the Lord, we are disciplined so that we may not be condemned along with the world.

So then, my brothers and sisters, when you come together to eat, wait for one another. If you are hungry, eat at home, so that when you come together, it will not be for your condemnation. About the other things I will give instructions when I come.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**