

Devotional for Each Day of the Week

Sunday: “Oh, sing to the Lord a new song! For He has done marvelous things; His right hand and His holy arm have gained Him the victory.”—Psalm 98:1. **Give thanks** that Jesus is Lord over all. **Pray** for single parents in the Lisbon (N.Y.) Reformed Presbyterian Church, for wisdom, strength, encouragement, and support from the church.

Monday: “Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf shall be unstopped.”—Isaiah 35:5. **Pray** that the Lord would open the eyes and ears of your friends and neighbors to understand the gospel. **Pray** that Trinity Reformed Presbyterian Church (Wichita, Kan.) would be a salt and light influence in their community.

Tuesday: “Then the lame shall leap like a deer, and the tongue of the dumb sing. For waters shall burst forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert.”—Isaiah 35:6. **Pray** that the Lord would bring abundant, refreshing blessing. **Pray** that the Hetherton Reformed Presbyterian Church (Johannesburg, Mich.) would grow spiritually.

Wednesday: “You are the salt of the earth; but if the salt loses its flavor, how shall it be seasoned? It is then good for nothing but to be thrown out and trampled underfoot by men.”—Matthew 5:13. **Pray** that God’s people would be a blessing to those around them. **Pray** that the Holy Spirit would lead visitors, adherents, and covenant youth at Messiah’s Church (Clay, N.Y.) toward communicant membership.

Thursday: “For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.”—Matthew 6:21. **Pray** that you would be kept from coveting, and that you would be focused on God. **Pray** that Dr. and Mrs. Rich Ganz would enjoy his retirement from almost forty years of pastoring at the Ottawa (Ont.) Reformed Presbyterian Church.

Friday: “Come to Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.”—Matthew 11:28. **Pray** that you and the ones you love would come to Jesus. **Pray** for wisdom in evangelism for the Ridgefield Park (N.J.) Reformed Presbyterian Church as it organizes walking tours and engages folks in conversation in English and Spanish.

Saturday: “The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who dwelt in the land of the shadow of death, upon them a light has shined.”—Isaiah 9:2. **Pray** that tomorrow many people would see the light of Jesus Christ. **Pray** for the mission in Chaura, Pakistan.

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Proclaiming the Kingship of Jesus Christ

Welcome and Announcements

Scripture Memory and Catechism Questions

The Call to Worship

Psalm 61:1-2

*The Invocation

*Psalm 100A

“All People That on Earth Do Dwell”

Scripture Reading

Nehemiah 8:1-8

Pastoral Prayer

*Psalm 147A

“Praise Ye the Lord, For It Is Good”

Scripture Text

Deuteronomy 4:1-14

The Sermon

“Worship as Dialog”

*Prayer

*Psalm 95A [stanzas 1-5]

“O Come and to Jehovah Sing”

*Benediction

*Psalm 103D

“In the Heavens Has Jehovah”

** Congregation will please stand.*

We are so glad that you could join us today! This service is being conducted under the auspices of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America. Please be sure to return next week and bring a friend.

Scripture Memory and Catechism Questions & Answers

“How amiable are thy tabernacles, O LORD of hosts! My soul longeth, yea, even fainteth for the courts of the LORD: my heart and my flesh crieth out for the living God.”—Psalm 84:1-2.

“Hear my cry, O God; attend to my prayer.”—Psalm 61:1.

“Let us come before His presence with thanksgiving; let us shout joyfully to Him with psalms.”—Psalm 95:2.

Q. 39. What is the duty which God requireth of man?

A. The duty which God requireth of man is obedience to his revealed will.

Q. 40. What did God at first reveal to man for the rule of his obedience?

A. The rule which God at first revealed to man for his obedience was the moral law.

Q. 41. Where is the moral law summarily comprehended?

A. The moral law is summarily comprehended in the ten commandments.

Deuteronomy 4:1-14 “Worship as Dialog”

Worshipping God means listening to Him and responding to Him.

SDP—worship is special, dialogical, and prescribed

I. Listening to God

A. The Reading of the Word

B. The Preaching of the Word

1. this, too, is how God speaks to us His will
2. preaching is not the same as the reading of the Word
3. preaching is both explanation and application
4. there is a prophetic dimension to preaching
5. and, we receive that message—the hearing of the Word

II. Responding to God

A. The Praying of Prayer

1. the offering up of our desires before God
2. the cry, “Hear me, O Lord!”

B. The Singing of Praise

1. it is directed to God
2. Psalms 47:1, 6, 7; 96:1; 98:1; 135:3; 147:1; 149:1

C. the occasional elements

1. oaths and vows
2. fastings
3. thanksgivings

III. The Sacraments

A. in the sacraments, God comes to us and we go to Him

B. baptism

C. the Lord’s Supper

Application

A. pay attention in worship!

B. don’t let anything interrupt the dialog/conversation

C. praise God that the law’s loud thunder has ceased