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> Morning Worship 10:30 AM Evening Worship 6:00 PM

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Chap. XXI. — Of the Privileges of Believers.

#### Q. 3. What is our adoption?

A. Our gracious reception into the family of God, as his children, and co-heirs with Christ.

from "The Greater Catechism", John Owen

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**John 1:12** But as many as received him, to them he gave prerogative to be the sons of God, even to them that believe in his Name,

April 2, 2023

#### **Morning Worship**

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- 2. In Zion is Jehovah great, Exalted gloriously.
  Ye nations, praise His great dread The Holy One is He. [name;
- 3. Thy royal strength loves justice well And equity ordains; He rules in Jacob righteously, And justice He maintains.
- 4. O magnify the Lord our God; Let Him exalted be;
  And at His footstool worship Him; The Holy One is He.

- Moses and Aaron of His priests, And Samuel sought His face; They called upon Jehovah's name; He answered them in grace.
- 6. Within the pillar of the cloud He spake to them His word; His testimonies they obeyed, The statutes they had heard.
- Their prayer was heard, O Lord our Thou wast a God that gave [God. Them pardon, though upon their deeds Thou wouldest vengeance have.
- 8. Exalted at His holy hill Our God Jehovah be;
  O worship there the Lord our God; The Holy One is He.



- As round about Jerusalem The mountains stand for aye, The Lord His people compasseth, For evermore their stay.
- For ill men's rod upon the lot Of just men shall not lie; Lest righteous men stretch forth their hands To work iniquity.
- 4. Do Thou to all those that are good Thy goodness, Lord, impart;
  And also do Thou good to them Who upright are in heart.

 But as for such as turn aside To their own crooked way, The Lord leads forth with wicked men; On Isr'el peace shall stay.

# Isaiah 5

1 Now will I sing to my wellbeloved a song of my beloved touching his vineyard. My wellbeloved hath a vineyard in a very fruitful hill:

<sup>2</sup> And he fenced it, and gathered out the stones thereof, and planted it with the choicest vine, and built a tower in the midst of it, and also made a winepress therein: and he looked that it should bring forth grapes, and it brought forth wild grapes.

<sup>3</sup> And now, O inhabitants of Jerusalem, and men of Judah, judge, I pray you, betwixt me and my vineyard.

<sup>4</sup> What could have been done more to my vineyard, that I have not done in it? wherefore, when I looked that it should bring forth grapes, brought it forth wild grapes?

<sup>5</sup> And now go to; I will tell you what I will do to my vineyard: I will take away the hedge thereof, and it shall be eaten up; and break down the wall thereof, and it shall be trodden down:

<sup>6</sup> And I will lay it waste: it shall not be pruned, nor digged; but there shall come up briers and thorns: I will also command the clouds that they rain no rain upon it. <sup>7</sup> For the vineyard of the LORD of hosts is the house of Israel, and the men of Judah his pleasant plant: and he looked for judgment, but behold oppression; for righteousness, but behold a cry.

<sup>8</sup>Woe unto them that join house to house, that lay field to field, till there be no place, that they may be placed alone in the midst of the earth!

<sup>9</sup> In mine ears said the LORD of hosts, Of a truth many houses shall be desolate, even great and fair, without inhabitant.

<sup>10</sup> Yea, ten acres of vineyard shall yield one bath, and the seed of an homer shall yield an ephah.

<sup>11</sup> Woe unto them that rise up early in the morning, that they may follow strong drink; that continue until night, till wine inflame them!

<sup>12</sup> And the harp, and the viol, the tabret, and pipe, and wine, are in their feasts: but they regard not the work of the LORD, neither consider the operation of his hands.

<sup>13</sup> Therefore my people are gone into captivity, because they have no knowledge: and their honourable men are famished, and their multitude dried up with thirst. <sup>14</sup> Therefore hell hath enlarged herself, and opened her mouth without measure: and their glory, and their multitude, and their pomp, and he that rejoiceth, shall descend into it.

<sup>15</sup> And the mean man shall be brought down, and the mighty man shall be humbled, and the eyes of the lofty shall be humbled:

<sup>16</sup> But the LORD of hosts shall be exalted in judgment, and God that is holy shall be sanctified in righteousness.

<sup>17</sup> Then shall the lambs feed after their manner, and the waste places of the fat ones shall strangers eat.

<sup>18</sup> Woe unto them that draw iniquity with cords of vanity, and sin as it were with a cart rope:

<sup>19</sup> That say, Let him make speed, and hasten his work, that we may see it: and let the counsel of the Holy One of Israel draw nigh and come, that we may know it!

<sup>20</sup> Woe unto them that call evil good, and good evil; that put darkness for light, and light for darkness; that put bitter for sweet, and sweet for bitter! <sup>21</sup> Woe unto them that are wise in their own eyes, and prudent in their own sight!

<sup>22</sup> Woe unto them that are mighty to drink wine, and men of strength to mingle strong drink:

<sup>23</sup> Which justify the wicked for reward, and take away the righteousness of the righteous from him!

<sup>24</sup> Therefore as the fire devoureth the stubble, and the flame consumeth the chaff, so their root shall be as rottenness, and their blossom shall go up as dust: because they have cast away the law of the LORD of hosts, and despised the word of the Holy One of Israel.

<sup>25</sup> Therefore is the anger of the LORD kindled against his people, and he hath stretched forth his hand against them, and hath smitten them: and the hills did tremble, and their carcases were torn in the midst of the streets. For all this his anger is not turned away, but his hand is stretched out still.

<sup>26</sup> And he will lift up an ensign to the nations from far, and will hiss unto them from the end of the earth: and, behold, they shall come with speed swiftly: <sup>27</sup> None shall be weary nor stumble among them; none shall slumber nor sleep; neither shall the girdle of their loins be loosed, nor the latchet of their shoes be broken:

<sup>28</sup> Whose arrows are sharp, and all their bows bent, their horses' hoofs shall be counted like flint, and their wheels like a whirlwind:

<sup>29</sup> Their roaring shall be like a lion, they shall roar like young lions: yea, they shall roar, and lay hold of the prey, and shall carry it away safe, and none shall deliver it.

<sup>30</sup> And in that day they shall roar against them like the roaring of the sea: and if one look unto the land, behold darkness and sorrow, and the light is darkened in the heavens thereof.

# 1 Thessalonians 4

1 Furthermore then we beseech you, brethren, and exhort you by the Lord Jesus, that as ye have received of us how ye ought to walk and to please God, so ye would abound more and more.

<sup>2</sup> For ye know what commandments we gave you by the Lord Jesus.

<sup>3</sup> For this is the will of God, even your sanctification, that ye should abstain from fornication:

<sup>4</sup>That every one of you should know how to possess his vessel in sanctification and honour;

<sup>5</sup> Not in the lust of concupiscence, even as the Gentiles which know not God:

<sup>6</sup> That no man go beyond and defraud his brother in any matter: because that the Lord is the avenger of all such, as we also have forewarned you and testified.

<sup>7</sup> For God hath not called us unto uncleanness, but unto holiness. <sup>8</sup> He therefore that despiseth, despiseth not man, but God, who hath also given unto us his holy Spirit.

<sup>9</sup> But as touching brotherly love ye need not that I write unto you: for ye yourselves are taught of God to love one another.

<sup>10</sup> And indeed ye do it toward all the brethren which are in all Macedonia: but we beseech you, brethren, that ye increase more and more;

<sup>11</sup> And that ye study to be quiet, and to do your own business, and to work with your own hands, as we commanded you;

<sup>12</sup> That ye may walk honestly toward them that are without, and that ye may have lack of nothing.

<sup>13</sup> But I would not have you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning them which are asleep, that ye sorrow not, even as others which have no hope.

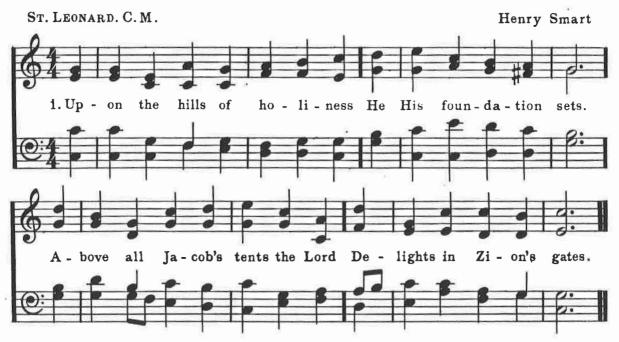
<sup>14</sup> For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with him. <sup>15</sup> For this we say unto you by the word of the Lord, that we which are alive and remain unto the coming of the Lord shall not prevent them which are asleep.

<sup>16</sup> For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first:

<sup>17</sup> Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord.

<sup>18</sup> Wherefore comfort one another with these words.

- 6. Thy way teach Thou me; I will walk in Thy truth; Unite Thou my heart in Thy fear.My Lord and my God with my whole heart I'll praise, And ever Thy name will revere.
- For great are Thy love and Thy kindness to me. My soul from the grave Thou dost raise. The proud and the violent seek for my life, Forgetful of Thee and Thy praise.
- But Thou, Lord, art merciful; gracious Thou art, Abundant in truth and in love.
   Turn Thou unto me; Thy rich grace now bestow; Thy servant make strong from above.
- The son of Thine handmaid redeem by Thy grace; A token for good show Thou me; That all those who hate me may see and be shamed.
  - My comfort and help are in Thee.



PSALM 87

- Things glorious are said of thee, Thou city of our God.
   Both Egypt, Babylon, as friends I will proclaim abroad;
- Behold ev'n Tyrus and with it The land of Palestine, And likewise Ethiopia; This one was born therein.
- 4. This man and that was born in her, Of Zion they shall say;
  And He that is Himself Most High Shall stablish her for aye.
- When God the people writes He'll count That this man born was there.
   The singers dancing say that all Our fountains in thee are.

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### Matthew 20

1 For the kingdom of heaven is like unto a man that is an householder, which went out early in the morning to hire labourers into his vineyard.

<sup>2</sup> And when he had agreed with the labourers for a penny a day, he sent them into his vineyard.

<sup>3</sup> And he went out about the third hour, and saw others standing idle in the marketplace,

<sup>4</sup> And said unto them; Go ye also into the vineyard, and whatsoever is right I will give you. And they went their way.

<sup>5</sup> Again he went out about the sixth and ninth hour, and did likewise.

<sup>6</sup> And about the eleventh hour he went out, and found others standing idle, and saith unto them, Why stand ye here all the day idle?

<sup>7</sup> They say unto him, Because no man hath hired us. He saith unto them, Go ye also into the vineyard; and whatsoever is right, that shall ye receive.

<sup>8</sup> So when even was come, the lord of the vineyard saith unto his steward, Call the labourers, and give them their hire, beginning from the last unto the first.

<sup>9</sup> And when they came that were hired about the eleventh hour, they received every man a penny.

<sup>10</sup> But when the first came, they supposed that they should have received more; and they likewise received every man a penny.

<sup>11</sup> And when they had received it, they murmured against the goodman of the house,

<sup>12</sup> Saying, These last have wrought but one hour, and thou hast made them equal unto us, which have borne the burden and heat of the day.

<sup>13</sup> But he answered one of them, and said, Friend, I do thee no wrong: didst not thou agree with me for a penny?

<sup>14</sup> Take that thine is, and go thy way: I will give unto this last, even as unto thee.

<sup>15</sup> Is it not lawful for me to do what I will with mine own? Is thine eye evil, because I am good?

<sup>16</sup> So the last shall be first, and the first last: for many be called, but few chosen.

<sup>17</sup> And Jesus going up to Jerusalem took the twelve disciples apart in the way, and said unto them,

<sup>18</sup> Behold, we go up to Jerusalem; and the Son of man shall be betrayed unto the chief priests and unto the scribes, and they shall condemn him to death, <sup>19</sup> And shall deliver him to the Gentiles to mock, and to scourge, and to crucify him: and the third day he shall rise again.

<sup>20</sup> Then came to him the mother of Zebedees children with her sons, worshipping him, and desiring a certain thing of him.

<sup>21</sup> And he said unto her, What wilt thou? She saith unto him, Grant that these my two sons may sit, the one on thy right hand, and the other on the left, in thy kingdom.

<sup>22</sup> But Jesus answered and said, Ye know not what ye ask. Are ye able to drink of the cup that I shall drink of, and to be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with? They say unto him, We are able.

<sup>23</sup> And he saith unto them, Ye shall drink indeed of my cup, and be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with: but to sit on my right hand, and on my left, is not mine to give, but it shall be given to them for whom it is prepared of my Father.

<sup>24</sup> And when the ten heard it, they were moved with indignation against the two brethren.

<sup>25</sup> But Jesus called them unto him, and said, Ye know that the princes of the Gentiles exercise dominion over them, and they that are great exercise authority upon them.

<sup>26</sup> But it shall not be so among you: but whosoever will be great among you, let him be your minister;

<sup>27</sup> And whosoever will be chief among you, let him be your servant:

<sup>28</sup> Even as the Son of man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give his life a ransom for many.

<sup>29</sup> And as they departed from Jericho, a great multitude followed him.

<sup>30</sup> And, behold, two blind men sitting by the way side, when they heard that Jesus passed by, cried out, saying, Have mercy on us, O Lord, thou son of David.

<sup>31</sup> And the multitude rebuked them, because they should hold their peace: but they cried the more, saying, Have mercy on us, O Lord, thou son of David.

<sup>32</sup> And Jesus stood still, and called them, and said, What will ye that I shall do unto you?

<sup>33</sup> They say unto him, Lord, that our eyes may be opened.

<sup>34</sup> So Jesus had compassion on them, and touched their eyes: and immediately their eyes received sight, and they followed him.



- 2. An ordinance for Israel, To thank the Lord alone.
  For thrones of judgment there are set, Ev'n David's royal throne.
  O pray ye that Jerusalem May have abundant peace;
  For ev'ry one that loveth thee Shall prosper and increase.
- I therefore wish that peace may still Within thy walls remain, And ever may thy palaces
  - Prosperity retain.
  - For brethren and companions' sake Let me now wish thee peace;
  - And for the house of God the Lord My care shall never cease.

April 2, 2023

#### **Evening Worship**

Call to Worship Psalm 26 Page 61 Prayer Psalm 19 Page 41 New Testament Reading: Romans 5 Pastoral Prayer Old Testament Reading: Genesis 23 Psalm 19 Page 42 Sermon Text: Joshua 20:1-9 Sermon: A Place of Refuge Prayer Psalm 130 Page 326 **Benediction** 

MAITLAND.C.M. George N. Allen 1. Judge me, O Lord, for I have walked In mine in - teg - ri - ty, CONTRACTOR OF THE STREET OF THE STREET And ev - er with un - wav -'ring heart Have trust-ed, Lord, in Thee.

- Examine me, and prove me, Lord; Try heart and mind, I pray. Thy mercy is before mine eyes; Thy truth has led my way.
- I will not with dissemblers go, Nor with the false will wait;
  - I will not sit with wicked men; Their company I hate.
- Mine hands in innocence, O Lord, I'll wash and purify;
   So to Thine holy altar go And compass it will I;
- That I with voice of thanksgiving May publish and declare,
   And tell of all Thy mighty works That great and wondrous are.

- 6. The habitation of Thy house,
  O Lord, I love it well;
  Yea, in that place I do delight Where doth Thine honor dwell.
- With sinners gather not my soul; And such as blood would spill; And in whose hand is wickedness; Whose right hand bribes do fill.
- But as for me, I'll ever walk In mine integrity; Redeem Thou me, and in Thy grace Be merciful to me.
- My foot upon an even place Now stands with steadfastness;
   And where His saints together meet Jehovah I will bless.

THE BOOK OF PSALMS

PSALM 19



- Aloud they do not speak; They utter forth no word, Nor into language break; Their voice is never heard; Yet through the world their line extends, Their words to earth's remotest ends.
- 3. In heav'n He set a tent,
  A dwelling for the sun,
  Which as a mighty man
  Delights his course to run.
  He, bridegroom-like in his array,
  Comes from his chamber, bringing day.

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4. His daily going forth
Is from the end of heav'n;
The firmament to him
Is for his circuit giv'n;

And ev'rywhere from end to end,
His radiant heat he doth extend.

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## Romans 5

1 Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ:

<sup>2</sup> By whom also we have access by faith into this grace wherein we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God.

<sup>3</sup> And not only so, but we glory in tribulations also: knowing that tribulation worketh patience;

<sup>4</sup> And patience, experience; and experience, hope:

<sup>5</sup> And hope maketh not ashamed; because the love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost which is given unto us.

<sup>6</sup> For when we were yet without strength, in due time Christ died for the ungodly.

<sup>7</sup> For scarcely for a righteous man will one die: yet peradventure for a good man some would even dare to die.

<sup>8</sup> But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.

<sup>9</sup> Much more then, being now justified by his blood, we shall be saved from wrath through him.

<sup>10</sup> For if, when we were enemies, we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, being reconciled, we shall be saved by his life.

<sup>11</sup> And not only so, but we also joy in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom we have now received the atonement.

<sup>12</sup> Wherefore, as by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned:

<sup>13</sup> (For until the law sin was in the world: but sin is not imputed when there is no law.

<sup>14</sup> Nevertheless death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over them that had not sinned after the similitude of Adam's transgression, who is the figure of him that was to come.

<sup>15</sup> But not as the offence, so also is the free gift. For if through the offence of one many be dead, much more the grace of God, and the gift by grace, which is by one man, Jesus Christ, hath abounded unto many. <sup>16</sup> And not as it was by one that sinned, so is the gift: for the judgment was by one to condemnation, but the free gift is of many offences unto justification.

<sup>17</sup> For if by one man's offence death reigned by one; much more they which receive abundance of grace and of the gift of righteousness shall reign in life by one, Jesus Christ.)

<sup>18</sup> Therefore as by the offence of one judgment came upon all men to condemnation; even so by the righteousness of one the free gift came upon all men unto justification of life.

<sup>19</sup> For as by one man's disobedience many were made sinners, so by the obedience of one shall many be made righteous.

<sup>20</sup> Moreover the law entered, that the offence might abound. But where sin abounded, grace did much more abound:

<sup>21</sup> That as sin hath reigned unto death, even so might grace reign through righteousness unto eternal life by Jesus Christ our Lord. Genesis 23

**1** And Sarah was an hundred and seven and twenty years old: these were the years of the life of Sarah.

<sup>2</sup> And Sarah died in Kirjatharba; the same is Hebron in the land of Canaan: and Abraham came to mourn for Sarah, and to weep for her.

<sup>3</sup>And Abraham stood up from before his dead, and spake unto the sons of Heth, saying,

<sup>4</sup>I am a stranger and a sojourner with you: give me a possession of a buryingplace with you, that I may bury my dead out of my sight.

<sup>5</sup> And the children of Heth answered Abraham, saying unto him,

<sup>6</sup>Hear us, my lord: thou art a mighty prince among us: in the choice of our sepulchres bury thy dead; none of us shall withhold from thee his sepulchre, but that thou mayest bury thy dead.

<sup>7</sup> And Abraham stood up, and bowed himself to the people of the land, even to the children of Heth.

<sup>8</sup> And he communed with them, saying, If it be your mind that I should bury my dead out of my sight; hear me, and intreat for me to Ephron the son of Zohar,

<sup>9</sup> That he may give me the cave of Machpelah, which he hath, which is in the end of his field; for as much money as it is worth he shall give it me for a possession of a buryingplace amongst you.

<sup>10</sup> And Ephron dwelt among the children of Heth: and Ephron the Hittite answered Abraham in the audience of the children of Heth, even of all that went in at the gate of his city, saying,

<sup>11</sup> Nay, my lord, hear me: the field give I thee, and the cave that is therein, I give it thee; in the presence of the sons of my people give I it thee: bury thy dead.

<sup>12</sup> And Abraham bowed down himself before the people of the land.

<sup>13</sup> And he spake unto Ephron in the audience of the people of the land, saying, But if thou wilt give it, I pray thee, hear me: I will give thee money for the field; take it of me, and I will bury my dead there.

<sup>14</sup> And Ephron answered Abraham, saying unto him,

<sup>15</sup> My lord, hearken unto me: the land is worth four hundred shekels of silver; what is that betwixt me and thee? bury therefore thy dead.

<sup>16</sup> And Abraham hearkened unto Ephron; and Abraham weighed to Ephron the silver, which he had named in the audience of the sons of Heth, four hundred shekels of silver, current money with the merchant.

<sup>17</sup> And the field of Ephron which was in Machpelah, which was before Mamre, the field, and the cave which was therein, and all the trees that were in the field, that were in all the borders round about, were made sure

<sup>18</sup> Unto Abraham for a possession in the presence of the children of Heth, before all that went in at the gate of his city.

<sup>19</sup> And after this, Abraham buried Sarah his wife in the cave of the field of Machpelah before Mamre: the same is Hebron in the land of Canaan.

<sup>20</sup> And the field, and the cave that is therein, were made sure unto Abraham for a possession of a buryingplace by the sons of Heth.



- 6. The Lord's command is pure, Enlightening the eyes; Jehovah's fear is clean, More lasting than the skies. The judgments of the Lord express His truth and perfect righteousness.
- 7. They're more to be desired Than stores of finest gold;
  Than honey from the comb More sweetness far they hold.
  With warnings they Thy servant guard;
  - In keeping them is great reward.

 His errors who can know? Cleanse me from hidden stain. Keep me from wilful sins,

Nor let them o'er me reign. And then I upright shall appear And be from great transgression clear.

9. Let all the words I speak And all the thoughts within Come up before Thy sight And Thine approval win.
O Thou Jehovah, unto me My rock and my Redeemer be.

### Joshua 20

1 The LORD also spake unto Joshua, saying,

<sup>2</sup> Speak to the children of Israel, saying, Appoint out for you cities of refuge, whereof I spake unto you by the hand of Moses:

<sup>3</sup>That the slayer that killeth any person unawares and unwittingly may flee thither: and they shall be your refuge from the avenger of blood.

<sup>4</sup> And when he that doth flee unto one of those cities shall stand at the entering of the gate of the city, and shall declare his cause in the ears of the elders of that city, they shall take him into the city unto them, and give him a place, that he may dwell among them.

<sup>5</sup> And if the avenger of blood pursue after him, then they shall not deliver the slayer up into his hand; because he smote his neighbour unwittingly, and hated him not beforetime. <sup>6</sup> And he shall dwell in that city, until he stand before the congregation for judgment, and until the death of the high priest that shall be in those days: then shall the slayer return, and come unto his own city, and unto his own house, unto the city from whence he fled.

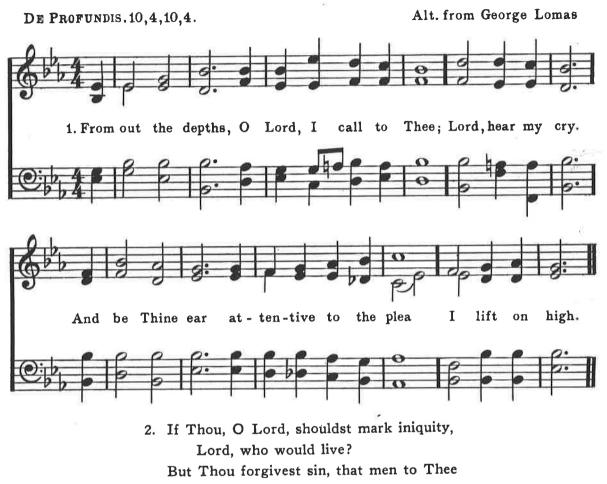
<sup>7</sup> And they appointed Kedesh in Galilee in mount Naphtali, and Shechem in mount Ephraim, and Kirjatharba, which is Hebron, in the mountain of Judah.

<sup>8</sup> And on the other side Jordan by Jericho eastward, they assigned Bezer in the wilderness upon the plain out of the tribe of Reuben, and Ramoth in Gilead out of the tribe of Gad, and Golan in Bashan out of the tribe of Manasseh.

<sup>9</sup> These were the cities appointed for all the children of Israel, and for the stranger that sojourneth among them, that whosoever killeth any person at unawares might flee thither, and not die by the hand of the avenger of blood, until he stood before the congregation.

#### THE BOOK OF PSALMS

**PSALM 130** 



May rev'rence give.

 I wait upon the Lord with my request; My soul doth wait.

And in His word my hope doth surely rest With heart elate.

 My soul awaits Jehovah more than light Of coming day,

Yea, more than eager watchmen in the night The morning ray.

 5. O Isr'el, in Jehovah hope; the Lord Will mercy show.
 Redemption full from all iniquity Shall Isr'el know.

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