Life-Giving Words
from
Book 1 of the Psalms

King James Version

Thou wilt shew me the path of life:
in thy presence is fulness of joy;
at thy right hand
there are pleasures for evermore.

Psalm 16:11

Memory groups will meet weekly to recite each assignment. The booklet contains selected Bible verses to be memorized each week. The assignment number and Bible reference should be memorized and recited with each assignment.

Those who prefer a shorter assignment may memorize the three verses in each assignment which are marked with the symbol: *.

There is a companion book for small children containing one verse per week. The verses found in the children’s book are marked in this book with the symbol: +.
Assignment 1

Psalm 1

◦ 1 Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful.

◦ 2 But his delight is in the law of the LORD; and in his law doth he meditate day and night.

◦ 3 And he shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that bringeth forth his fruit in his season; his leaf also shall not wither; and whatsoever he doeth shall prosper.

◦ 4 The ungodly are not so: but are like the chaff which the wind driveth away.

◦ 5 Therefore the ungodly shall not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous.

6 For the LORD knoweth the way of the righteous: but the way of the ungodly shall perish.

Psalm 2:1

Why do the heathen rage, and the people imagine a vain thing?
Assignment 2

Psalm 2:2-8

2 The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel together, against the LORD, and against his anointed, saying,

3 Let us break their bands asunder, and cast away their cords from us.

4 He that sitteth in the heavens shall laugh: the LORD shall have them in derision.

5 Then shall he speak unto them in his wrath, and vex them in his sore displeasure.

6 Yet have I set my king upon my holy hill of Zion.

7 I will declare the decree: the LORD hath said unto me, Thou art my Son; this day have I begotten thee.

8 Ask of me, and I shall give thee the heathen for thine inheritance, and the uttermost parts of the earth for thy possession.
Psalm 2:9-12

9 Thou shalt break them with a rod of iron; thou shalt dash them in pieces like a potter's vessel.

10 Be wise now therefore, O ye kings: be instructed, ye judges of the earth.

11 Serve the LORD with fear, and rejoice with trembling.

12 Kiss the Son, lest he be angry, and ye perish from the way, when his wrath is kindled but a little. Blessed are all they that put their trust in him.

Psalm 5:11-12

11 But let all those that put their trust in thee rejoice: let them ever shout for joy, because thou defendest them: let them also that love thy name be joyful in thee.

12 For thou, LORD, wilt bless the righteous; with favour wilt thou compass him as with a shield.

Psalm 8:1

† To the chief Musician upon Gittith, A Psalm of David.

‡ * O LORD, our Lord, how excellent is thy name in all the earth! who hast set thy glory above the heavens.
Assignment 4

Psalm 8:2-8

2 Out of the mouth of babes and sucklings hast thou ordained strength because of thine enemies, that thou mightest still the enemy and the avenger.

3 When I consider thy heavens, the work of thy fingers, the moon and the stars, which thou hast ordained;

4 What is man, that thou art mindful of him? and the son of man, that thou visitest him?

5 For thou hast made him a little lower than the angels, and hast crowned him with glory and honour.

6 Thou madest him to have dominion over the works of thy hands; thou hast put all things under his feet:

7 All sheep and oxen, yea, and the beasts of the field;

8 The fowl of the air, and the fish of the sea, and whatsoever passeth through the paths of the seas.
Assignment 5

Psalm 8:9
O LORD our Lord, how excellent is thy name in all the earth!

Psalm 14:1-3

şi 1 The fool hath said in his heart, There is no God. They are corrupt, they have done abominable works, there is none that doeth good.

şi 2 The LORD looked down from heaven upon the children of men, to see if there were any that did understand, and seek God.

şi 3 They are all gone aside, they are all together become filthy: there is none that doeth good, no, not one.

Psalm 16:10
For thou wilt not leave my soul in hell; neither wilt thou suffer thine Holy One to see corruption.

Psalm 18:1-2

1 I will love thee, O LORD, my strength.

2 The LORD is my rock, and my fortress, and my deliverer; my God, my strength, in whom I will trust; my buckler, and the horn of my salvation, and my high tower.
Assignment 6

Psalm 18:3
I will call upon the **LORD**, who is worthy to be praised: so shall I be saved from mine enemies.

Psalm 23

† A Psalm of David.

‧ 1 The **LORD** is my shepherd; I shall not want.

‧ 2 He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters.

‧ 3 He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name’s sake.

4 Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.

5 Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.

6 Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the **LORD** for ever.
Assignment 7

Psalm 24:1

The earth is the LORD's, and the fulness thereof; the world, and they that dwell therein.

Psalm 25:8

Good and upright is the LORD: therefore will he teach sinners in the way.

Psalm 27:1-5

A Psalm of David.

1 The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? the LORD is the strength of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

2 When the wicked, even mine enemies and my foes, came upon me to eat up my flesh, they stumbled and fell.

3 Though an host should encamp against me, my heart shall not fear: though war should rise against me, in this will I be confident.

4 One thing have I desired of the LORD, that will I seek after; that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the LORD, and to enquire in his temple.

5 For in the time of trouble he shall hide me in his pavilion: in the secret of his tabernacle shall he hide me; he shall set me up upon a rock.
Psalm 27:6-12

6 And now shall mine head be lifted up above mine enemies round about me: therefore will I offer in his tabernacle sacrifices of joy; I will sing, yea, I will sing praises unto the LORD.

7 Hear, O LORD, when I cry with my voice: have mercy also upon me, and answer me.

8 When thou saidst, Seek ye my face; my heart said unto thee, Thy face, LORD, will I seek.

9 Hide not thy face far from me; put not thy servant away in anger: thou hast been my help; leave me not, neither forsake me, O God of my salvation.

10 When my father and my mother forsake me, then the LORD will take me up.

11 Teach me thy way, O LORD, and lead me in a plain path, because of mine enemies.

12 Deliver me not over unto the will of mine enemies: for false witnesses are risen up against me, and such as breathe out cruelty.
Psalm 27:13-14

13 I had fainted, 
unless I had believed 
to see the goodness of the LORD 
in the land of the living.

14 Wait on the LORD: 
be of good courage, 
and he shall strengthen thine heart: 
wait, I say, on the LORD.

Psalm 30:4-5

4 Sing unto the LORD, 
O ye saints of his, 
and give thanks 
at the remembrance of his holiness.

5 For his anger endureth but a moment; 
in his favour is life: 
weeping may endure for a night, 
but joy cometh in the morning.

Psalm 31:21

Blessed be the LORD: 
for he hath shewed me 
his marvellous kindness 
in a strong city.

Psalm 31:23

* O love the LORD, 
all ye his saints: 
for the LORD preserveth the faithful, 
and plentifully rewardeth the proud doer.

Psalm 32:1

* * Blessed is he whose transgression 
is forgiven, 
whose sin is covered.

† A Psalm of David, Maschil.
Psalm 32:2-8

2 Blessed is the man unto whom the LORD imputeth not iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no guile.

3 When I kept silence, my bones waxed old through my roaring all the day long.

4 For day and night thy hand was heavy upon me: my moisture is turned into the drought of summer. Selah.

5 I acknowledged my sin unto thee, and mine iniquity have I not hid. I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the LORD; and thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin. Selah.

6 For this shall every one that is godly pray unto thee in a time when thou mayest be found: surely in the floods of great waters they shall not come nigh unto him.

7 Thou art my hiding place; thou shalt preserve me from trouble; thou shalt compass me about with songs of deliverance. Selah.

8 I will instruct thee and teach thee in the way which thou shalt go: I will guide thee with mine eye.
Psalm 32:9-11

9 Be ye not as the horse, or as the mule, which have no understanding: whose mouth must be held in with bit and bridle, lest they come near unto thee.

10 Many sorrows shall be to the wicked: but he that trusteth in the LORD, mercy shall compass him about.

11 Be glad in the LORD, and rejoice, ye righteous: and shout for joy, all ye that are upright in heart.

Psalm 34:1-3

1 I will bless the LORD at all times: his praise shall continually be in my mouth.

2 My soul shall make her boast in the LORD: the humble shall hear thereof, and be glad.

3 O magnify the LORD with me, and let us exalt his name together.

Psalm 34:8

O taste and see that the LORD is good: blessed is the man that trusteth in him.
Psalm 34:10
The young lions do lack, and suffer hunger: but they that seek the LORD shall not want any good thing.

Psalm 34:18

The LORD is nigh unto them that are of a broken heart; and saveth such as be of a contrite spirit.

Psalm 40:1-3

I waited patiently for the LORD; and he inclined unto me, and heard my cry.

He brought me up also out of an horrible pit, out of the miry clay, and set my feet upon a rock, and established my goings.

And he hath put a new song in my mouth, even praise unto our God: many shall see it, and fear, and shall trust in the LORD.

Psalm 40:9-10

I have preached righteousness in the great congregation: lo, I have not refrained my lips, O LORD, thou knowest.

I have not hid thy righteousness within my heart; I have declared thy faithfulness and thy salvation: I have not concealed thy lovingkindness and thy truth from the great congregation.
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