

**July 25, 2021**

**Psalm 14**

<sup>1</sup> Fools say in their hearts, “There is no God.”  
**They are corrupt, they do abominable deeds;  
there is none that does good.**

<sup>2</sup> The LORD looks down from heaven on all people,  
to see if there are any who are wise,  
who seek after God.

<sup>3</sup> **They have all gone astray, they are all alike perverse;  
there is none that does good,  
no, not one.**

<sup>4</sup> Have they no knowledge, the evildoers  
who eat up my people as they eat bread,  
and do not call upon the LORD?

<sup>5</sup> **There they shall be in great terror,  
for God is with the generation of the righteous.**

<sup>6</sup> You would confound the plans of the poor,  
but the LORD is their refuge.

<sup>7</sup> **O that deliverance for Israel would come from Zion!  
When the LORD restores their fortunes,  
Jacob shall rejoice; Israel shall be glad.**

**Ephesians 3: 14-21**

<sup>14</sup> For this reason I bow my knees to the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>15</sup> from whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named, <sup>16</sup> that He would grant you, according to the riches of His glory, to be strengthened with might through His Spirit in the inner man, <sup>17</sup> that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith; that you, being rooted and grounded in love, <sup>18</sup> may be able to comprehend with all the saints what *is* the width and length and depth and height— <sup>19</sup> to know the love of Christ which passes knowledge; that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

<sup>20</sup> Now to Him who is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that works in us, <sup>21</sup> to Him *be* glory in the church by Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

## St. John 6: 1-21

<sup>1</sup> After these things Jesus went over the Sea of Galilee, which is *the Sea* of Tiberias. <sup>2</sup> Then a great multitude followed Him, because they saw His signs which He performed on those who were diseased. <sup>3</sup> And Jesus went up on the mountain, and there He sat with His disciples.

<sup>4</sup> Now the Passover, a feast of the Jews, was near. <sup>5</sup> Then Jesus lifted up *His* eyes, and seeing a great multitude coming toward Him, He said to Philip, “Where shall we buy bread, that these may eat?” <sup>6</sup> But this He said to test him, for He Himself knew what He would do.

<sup>7</sup> Philip answered Him, “Two hundred denarii worth of bread is not sufficient for them, that every one of them may have a little.”

<sup>8</sup> One of His disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother, said to Him, <sup>9</sup> “There is a lad here who has five barley loaves and two small fish, but what are they among so many?”

<sup>10</sup> Then Jesus said, “Make the people sit down.” Now there was much grass in the place. So the men sat down, in number about five thousand. <sup>11</sup> And Jesus took the loaves, and when He had given thanks He distributed *them* to the disciples, and the disciples to those sitting down; and likewise of the fish, as much as they wanted. <sup>12</sup> So when they were filled, He said to His disciples, “Gather up the fragments that remain, so that nothing is lost.” <sup>13</sup> Therefore they gathered *them* up, and filled twelve baskets with the fragments of the five barley loaves which were left over by those who had eaten. <sup>14</sup> Then those men, when they had seen the sign that Jesus did, said, “This is truly the Prophet who is to come into the world.”

<sup>15</sup> Therefore when Jesus perceived that they were about to come and take Him by force to make Him king, He departed again to the mountain by Himself alone.

<sup>16</sup> Now when evening came, His disciples went down to the sea, <sup>17</sup> got into the boat, and went over the sea toward Capernaum. And it was already dark, and Jesus had not come to them. <sup>18</sup> Then the sea arose because a great wind was blowing. <sup>19</sup> So when they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus walking on the sea and drawing near the boat; and they were afraid. <sup>20</sup> But He said to them, “It is I; do

not be afraid.” <sup>21</sup> Then they willingly received Him into the boat, and immediately the boat was at the land where they were going.

### Whispering Hope

**1** Soft as the voice of an angel,  
Breathing a lesson unheard,  
Hope with a gentle persuasion  
Whispers her comforting word:  
Wait till the darkness is over,  
Wait till the tempest is done,  
Hope for the sunshine tomorrow,  
After the shower is gone.

#### Refrain:

Whispering hope, oh, how welcome thy voice,  
Making my heart in its sorrow rejoice.

**2** If, in the dusk of the twilight,  
Dim be the region afar,  
Will not the deepening darkness  
Brighten the glimmering star?  
Then when the night is upon us,  
Why should the heart sink away?  
When the dark midnight is over,  
Watch for the breaking of day. [Refrain]

**3** Hope, as an anchor so steadfast,  
Rends the dark veil for the soul,  
Whither the Master has entered,  
Robbing the grave of its goal;  
Come then, oh, come, glad fruition,  
Come to my sad weary heart;  
Come, O Thou blest hope of glory,  
Never, oh, never depart. [Refrain]