

The Feast of St. Simon and St. Jude

The Old Testament is written in the 32nd chapter of the Book of Moses called Deuteronomy, beginning at the 1st verse.

This passage may be found in the pew bible on page 239.

[Pause]

“Give ear, O heavens, and I will
speak;
And hear, O earth, the words of my
mouth.
Let my teaching drop as the rain,
My speech distill as the dew,
As raindrops on the tender herb,
And as showers on the grass.

For I proclaim the name of the Lord:
Ascribe greatness to our God.
He is the Rock, His work is perfect;
For all His ways are justice,
A God of truth and without injustice;
Righteous and upright is He.

[Pause] This is the Word of the Lord.

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Psalm 118

O GIVE thanks unto the LORD, for he is gracious; * because his mercy endureth for ever.

Let Israel now confess that he is gracious, * and that his mercy endureth for ever.

Let the house of Aaron now confess, * that his mercy endureth for ever.

Yea, let them now that fear the LORD confess, * that his mercy endureth for ever.

I called upon the LORD in trouble; * and the LORD heard me at large.

The LORD is on my side; * I will not fear what man doeth unto me.

The LORD taketh my part with them that help me; * therefore shall I see my desire upon mine enemies.

It is better to trust in the LORD, * than to put any confidence in man.

It is better to trust in the LORD, * than to put any confidence in princes.

All nations compassed me round about; * but in the Name of the LORD will I destroy them.

They kept me in on every side, they kept me in, I say, on every side; * but in the Name of the LORD will I destroy them.

They came about me like bees, and are extinct even as the fire among the thorns; * for in the Name of the LORD I will destroy them.

Thou hast thrust sore at me, that I might fall; * but the LORD was my help.

The LORD is my strength, and my song; * and is become my salvation.

The voice of joy and health is in the dwellings of the righteous; * the right hand of the LORD bringeth mighty things to pass.

The right hand of the LORD hath the pre-eminence; * the right hand of the LORD bringeth mighty things to pass.

I shall not die, but live, * and declare the works of the LORD.

The LORD hath chastened and corrected me; * but he hath not given me over unto death.

Open me the gates of righteousness, * that I may go into them, and give thanks unto the LORD.

This is the gate of the LORD, * the righteous shall enter into it.

I will thank thee; for thou hast heard me, * and art become my salvation.

The same stone which the builders refused, * is become the head-stone in the corner.

This is the LORD'S doing, * and it is marvellous in our eyes.

This is the day which the LORD hath made; * we will rejoice and be glad in it.

Help me now, O LORD: * O LORD, send us now prosperity.

Blessed be he that cometh in the Name of the LORD: * we have wished you good luck, we that are of the house of the LORD.

God is the LORD, who hath showed us light: * bind the sacrifice with cords, yea, even unto the horns of the altar.

Thou art my God, and I will thank thee; * thou art my God, and I will praise thee.

O give thanks unto the LORD; for he is gracious, * and his mercy endureth for ever.

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The Epistle is written in the 2nd chapter of St. Paul's Letter to the Ephesians beginning at the 19th verse.

This passage may be found in the Book of Common Prayer on page 255.

[Pause] Now therefore ye are no more strangers and foreigners, but fellowcitizens with the saints, and of the household of God;
And are built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief corner stone;
In whom all the building fitly

framed together groweth unto an holy temple in the Lord:
In whom ye also are builded together for an habitation of God through the Spirit.

[Pause] This is the word of the Lord.