

The Epiphany

The Old Testament is written in the 60th chapter of the prophet Isaiah, beginning at the first verse.

This passage may be found in the pew Bible on page 855.

(Pause to allow parishioners to find the page.)

Arise, shine;
For your light has come!
And the glory of the Lord is risen upon
you.

For behold, the darkness shall cover the
earth, And deep darkness the people;
But the Lord will arise over you, And
His glory will be seen upon you.

The Gentiles shall come to your light,
And kings to the brightness of your
rising.

“Lift up your eyes all around, and see:
They all gather together, they come to
you; Your sons shall come from afar,
And your daughters shall be nursed at
your side.

Then you shall see and become radiant,
And your heart shall swell with joy;
Because the abundance of the sea shall
be turned to you, The wealth of the
Gentiles shall come to you.

The multitude of camels shall cover
your land, The dromedaries of Midian
and Ephah; All those from Sheba shall
come; They shall bring gold and
incense, And they shall proclaim the
praises of the Lord.

All the flocks of Kedar shall be
gathered together to you, The rams of
Nebaioth shall minister to you; They
shall ascend with acceptance on My
altar, And I will glorify the house of My
glory.

“Who are these who fly like a cloud,
And like doves to their roosts?

Surely the coastlands shall wait for Me;
And the ships of Tarshish will come
first, To bring your sons from afar,
Their silver and their gold with them,
To the name of the Lord your God, And
to the Holy One of Israel, Because He
has glorified you.

(Pause for a count of 5)

This is the word of the Lord.

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Psalm 46

1 THOU, O God, art praised in Sion; * and unto thee shall the vow be performed in Jerusalem.

2 Thou that hearest the prayer, * unto thee shall all flesh come.

3 My misdeeds prevail against me: * O be thou merciful unto our sins.

4 Blessed is the man whom thou chooseth, and receivest unto thee: * he shall dwell in thy court, and shall be satisfied with the pleasures of thy house, even of thy holy temple.

5 Thou shalt show us wonderful things in thy righteousness, O God of our salvation; * thou that art the hope of all the ends of the earth, and of them that remain in the broad sea.

6 Who in his strength setteth fast the mountains, * and is girded about with power.

7 Who stilleth the raging of the sea, * and the noise of his waves, and the madness of the peoples.

8 They also that dwell in the uttermost parts of the earth shall be afraid at thy tokens, * thou that makest the out-goings of the morning and evening to praise thee.

9 Thou visitest the earth, and blessest it; * thou makest it very plenteous.

10 The river of God is full of water: * thou preparest their corn, for so thou providest for the earth.

11 Thou waterest her furrows; thou sendest rain into the little valleys thereof; * thou makest it soft with the drops of rain, and blessest the increase of it.

12 Thou crownest the year with thy goodness; * and thy clouds drop fatness.

13 They shall drop upon the dwellings of the wilderness; * and the little hills shall rejoice on every side.

14 The folds shall be full of sheep; * the valleys also shall stand so thick with corn, that they shall laugh and sing.

Glory be...

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The New Testament is written in the third chapter of St. Paul's epistle to the Ephesians, beginning at the first verse.

This passage may be found in the Book of Common Prayer on page 108.

(Pause to allow parishioners to find the page.)

FOR this cause I Paul, the prisoner of Jesus Christ for you Gentiles, if ye have heard of the dispensation of the grace of God, which is given me to you-ward:

how that by revelation he made known unto me the mystery; (as I wrote afore in few words, whereby, when ye read, ye may understand my knowledge in the mystery of Christ) which in other ages was not made known unto the sons of men, as it is now revealed unto his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit;

that the Gentiles should be fellow-heirs, and of the same body, and partakers of his promise in Christ by the gospel: whereof I was made a minister, according to the gift of the grace of God given unto me by the effectual working of his power.

Unto me, who am less than the least of all saints, is this grace given, that I should preach among the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ; and to make all men see what is the fellowship of the mystery, which from the beginning of the world hath been hid in God, who created all things by Jesus Christ:

to the intent that now unto the principalities and powers in heavenly places might be known by the church the manifold wisdom of God, according to the eternal purpose which he purposed in Christ Jesus our Lord: in whom we have boldness and access with confidence by the faith of him.

(Pause for a count of 5)

This is the word of the Lord.