

Psalm 118:19–29

¹⁹Open to me the gates of righteousness,*
**that I may enter through them
and give thanks to the LORD.**

²⁰This is the gate of the LORD; *
the righteous shall enter through it.

²¹I thank you that you have answered me*
and have become my salvation.

²²The stone that the builders rejected*
has become the cornerstone.

²³This is the LORD's doing; *
it is marvelous in our eyes.

²⁴This is the day that the LORD has made; *
let us rejoice and be glad in it.

²⁵Save us, we pray, O LORD! *
O LORD, we pray, give us success!

²⁶Blessèd is he who comes in the name of the LORD! *
We bless you from the house of the LORD.

²⁷The LORD is God,
and he has made his light to shine upon us. *
**Bind the festal sacrifice with cords,
up to the horns of the altar!**

²⁸You are my God, and I will give thanks to you; *
you are my God; I will extol you.

²⁹Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; *
for his steadfast love endures forever!

Isaiah 50:4-9a

⁴The Lord GOD has given me
the tongue of those who are taught,
that I may know how to sustain with a word
him who is weary.

Morning by morning he awakens;
he awakens my ear
to hear as those who are taught.

⁵The Lord GOD has opened my ear,
and I was not rebellious;
I turned not backward.

⁶I gave my back to those who strike,
and my cheeks to those who pull out the beard;
I hid not my face
from disgrace and spitting.

⁷But the Lord GOD helps me;
therefore I have not been disgraced;
therefore I have set my face like a flint,
and I know that I shall not be put to shame.

⁸He who vindicates me is near.

Who will contend with me?

Let us stand up together.

Who is my adversary?

Let him come near to me.

⁹Behold, the Lord GOD helps me;
who will declare me guilty?

Philippians 2:5-11

⁵Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, ⁶who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, ⁷but made himself nothing, taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. ⁸And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.

⁹Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, ¹⁰so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Mark 11:1-11

The Triumphal Entry

Now when they drew near to Jerusalem, to Bethphage and Bethany, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two of his disciples and said to them, "Go into the village in front of you, and immediately as you enter it you will find a colt tied, on which no one has ever sat. Untie it and bring it. If anyone says to you, 'Why are you doing this?' say, 'The Lord has need of it and will send it back here immediately.'" And they went away and found a colt tied at a door outside in the street, and they untied it. And some of those standing there said to them, "What are you doing, untying the colt?" And they told them what Jesus had said, and they let them go. And they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it, and he sat on it. And many spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut from the fields. And those who went before and those who followed were shouting, "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessed is the coming kingdom of our father David! Hosanna in the highest!"

And he entered Jerusalem and went into the temple. And when he had looked around at everything, as it was already late, he went out to Bethany with the twelve.