

Psalm 112:1-10

Light shines in the darkness for the upright. (Ps. 112:4)

- ¹ Hallelujah! Happy are they who | fear the Lord
and have great delight in | God's commandments!
- ² **Their descendants will be mighty | in the land;
the generation of the upright | will be blessed.**
- ³ Wealth and riches will be | in their house,
and their righteousness will | last forever.
- ⁴ **Light shines in the darkness | for the upright;
the righteous are merciful and full | of compassion. R**
- ⁵ It is good for them to be gener- | ous in lending
and to manage their af- | fairs with justice.
- ⁶ **For they will nev- | er be shaken;
the righteous will be kept in everlast- | ing remembrance.**
- ⁷ They will not be afraid of any | evil rumors;
their heart is steadfast, trusting | in the Lord.
- ⁸ **Their heart is established and | will not shrink,
until they see their desire up- | on their enemies.**
- ⁹ They have given freely to the poor, and their righteousness stands | fast forever;
they will hold up their | head with honour.
- ¹⁰ **The wicked will see it and be angry; they will gnash their teeth and | pine away;
the desires of the wick- | ed will perish. R**



Livestream Text

Isaiah 58:1-9

- ¹ Shout out; do not hold back! Lift up your voice like a trumpet!
Announce to my people their rebellion, to the house of Jacob their sins.
- ² Yet day after day they seek me and delight to know my ways,
as if they were a nation that practiced righteousness and did not forsake the ordinance of their God; they ask of me righteous judgments; they want God on their side.
- ³ "Why do we fast, but you do not see? Why humble ourselves, but you do not notice?"
Look, you serve your own interest on your fast day and oppress all your workers.
- ⁴ You fast only to quarrel and to fight and to strike with a wicked fist.
Such fasting as you do today will not make your voice heard on high.
- ⁵ Is such the fast that I choose, a day to humble oneself?
Is it to bow down the head like a bulrush and to lie in sackcloth and ashes?
Will you call this a fast, a day acceptable to the Lord?
- ⁶ Is not this the fast that I choose: to loose the bonds of injustice,
to undo the straps of the yoke, to let the oppressed go free,
and to break every yoke? ⁷ Is it not to share your bread with the hungry and bring the homeless poor into your house; when you see the naked, to cover them and not to hide yourself from your own kin? ⁸ Then your light shall break forth like the dawn,
and your healing shall spring up quickly; your vindicator shall go before you;

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the glory of the Lord shall be your rear guard.

⁹ Then you shall call, and the Lord will answer; you
shall cry for help, and he will say, "Here I am."

1 Corinthians 2:1-12

¹ When I came to you, brothers and sisters, I did
not come proclaiming the testimony of God to you
with superior speech or wisdom. ² For I decided to
know nothing among you except Jesus Christ and
him crucified. ³ And I came to you in weakness and
in fear and in much trembling. ⁴ My speech and my
proclamation were made not with persuasive
words of wisdom but with a demonstration of the
Spirit and of power, ⁵ so that your faith might rest
not on human wisdom but on the power of God.

⁶ Yet among the mature we do speak wisdom,
though it is not a wisdom of this age or of the
rulers of this age, who are being destroyed. ⁷ But we speak God's wisdom, a hidden
mystery, which God decreed before the ages for our glory ⁸ and which none of the rulers
of this age understood, for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of
glory. ⁹ But, as it is written, "What no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the human heart
conceived, what God has prepared for those who love him"—

¹⁰ God has revealed to us through the Spirit, for the Spirit searches everything, even the
depths of God. ¹¹ For what human knows what is truly human except the human spirit
that is within? So also no one comprehends what is truly God's except the Spirit of
God. ¹² Now we have received not the spirit of the world but the Spirit that is from God,
so that we may understand the gifts bestowed on us by God.

Matthew 5:13-20

[Jesus said:] ¹³ "You are the salt of the earth, but if salt has lost its taste, how can its
saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything but is thrown out and trampled
under foot. ¹⁴ "You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. ¹⁵ People
do not light a lamp and put it under the bushel basket; rather, they put it on the
lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. ¹⁶ In the same way, let your light shine
before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in
heaven. ¹⁷ "Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have
come not to abolish but to fulfill. ¹⁸ For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away,
not one letter, not one stroke of a letter, will pass from the law until all is
accomplished. ¹⁹ Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments
and teaches others to do the same will be called least in the kingdom of heaven, but
whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of
heaven. ²⁰ For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and
Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven."

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