

## BIBLE READINGS - October 8, 2023

### Revised Standard Version

#### Psalm 19

*God's Glory in Creation and the Law  
To the choirmaster. A Psalm of David.*

19 The heavens are telling the glory of God; and the firmament proclaims his handiwork.

<sup>2</sup> Day to day pours forth speech, and night to night declares knowledge.

<sup>3</sup> There is no speech, nor are there words; their voice is not heard;

<sup>4</sup> yet their voice goes out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world.

In them he has set a tent for the sun,

which comes forth like a bridegroom leaving his chamber, and like a strong man runs its course with joy.

<sup>6</sup> Its rising is from the end of the heavens,

and its circuit to the end of them; and there is nothing hid from its heat.

<sup>7</sup> The law of the Lord is perfect,

reviving the soul; the testimony of the Lord is sure, making wise the simple;

<sup>8</sup> the precepts of the Lord are right,

rejoicing the heart; the commandment of the Lord is pure, enlightening the eyes;

<sup>9</sup> the fear of the Lord is clean,

enduring for ever; the ordinances of the Lord are true, and righteous altogether.

<sup>10</sup> More to be desired are they than gold,

even much fine gold; sweeter also than honey and drippings of the honeycomb.

<sup>11</sup> Moreover by them is thy servant warned; in keeping them there is great reward.

<sup>12</sup> But who can discern his errors? Clear thou me from hidden faults.

<sup>13</sup> Keep back thy servant also from presumptuous sins;

let them not have dominion over me! Then I shall be blameless, and innocent of great transgression.

<sup>14</sup> Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart

be acceptable in thy sight, O Lord, my rock and my redeemer.

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#### Isaiah 5:1-7

*The Song of the Unfruitful Vineyard*

5 Let me sing for my beloved a love song concerning his vineyard:

My beloved had a vineyard on a very fertile hill.

<sup>2</sup> He digged it and cleared it of stones, and planted it with choice vines; he built a watchtower in the midst of it, and hewed out a wine vat in it; and he looked for it to yield grapes, but it yielded wild grapes.

<sup>3</sup> And now, O inhabitants of Jerusalem and men of Judah, judge, I pray you, between me and my vineyard.

<sup>4</sup> What more was there to do for my vineyard, that I have not done in it?

When I looked for it to yield grapes, why did it yield wild grapes?

<sup>5</sup> And now I will tell you what I will do to my vineyard.

I will remove its hedge, and it shall be devoured;

I will break down its wall, and it shall be trampled down.

<sup>6</sup> I will make it a waste; it shall not be pruned or hoed,

and briers and thorns shall grow up; will also command the clouds that they rain no rain upon it.

<sup>7</sup> For the vineyard of the Lord of hosts is the house of Israel,

and the men of Judah are his pleasant planting;

and he looked for justice, but behold, bloodshed;

for righteousness, but behold, a cry!