

READINGS FOR MAY 2nd

Isaiah 30:15-21

¹⁵ For this is what the Lord [Ⓜ]GOD, the Holy One of Israel, has said:

“In [Ⓜ]repentance and rest you will be saved,
In quietness and trust is your strength.”

But you were not willing,

¹⁶ And you said, “No, for we will flee on horses!”

Therefore you shall flee!

“And we will ride on swift *horses!*”

Therefore those who pursue you shall be swift.

¹⁷ One thousand *will flee* at the threat of one *man*;

You will flee at the threat of five,

Until you are left like a signal post on a mountain top,

And like a flag on a hill.

¹⁸ Therefore the LORD [Ⓜ]longs to be gracious to you,

And therefore He [Ⓜ]waits on high to have compassion on you.

For the LORD is a God of justice;

How blessed are all those who [Ⓜ]long for Him.

¹⁹ [Ⓜ]For, you people in Zion, inhabitant in Jerusalem, you will weep no longer. He will certainly be gracious to you at the sound of your cry; when He hears it, He will answer you.

²⁰ Although the Lord has given you bread of deprivation and water of oppression, *He*, your Teacher, will no longer hide Himself, but your eyes will see your Teacher.

²¹ Your ears will hear a word behind you, saying, “This is the way, walk in it,” whenever you turn to the right or to the left.

Ephesians 1:3-10

³ Blessed *be* the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly *places* in Christ, ⁴ just as He chose us in Him before the foundation of the world, that we would be holy and blameless

before [Ⓜ]Him. In love ⁵ [Ⓜ]He predestined us to adoption as sons *and daughters* through

Jesus Christ to Himself, according to the good pleasure of His will, ⁶ to the praise of the glory of His grace, with which He favored us in the Beloved. ⁷ In ⁱⁿHim we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of our wrongdoings, according to the riches of His grace ⁸ which He ⁱⁿlavished on ⁱⁿus. In all wisdom and insight ⁹ He ⁱⁿmade known to us the mystery of His will, according to His good pleasure which He set forth in Him, ¹⁰ regarding *His* plan of the fullness of the times, to bring all things together in Christ, things ⁱⁿin the heavens and things on the earth.

John 14:1-14

14 "Do not let your heart be troubled; ⁱⁿbelieve in God, believe also in Me. ² In My Father's house are many ⁱⁿrooms; if *that* were not so, ⁱⁿI would have told you, because I am going *there* to prepare a place for you. ³ And if I go and prepare a place for you, I am coming again and will take you to Myself, so that where I am, *there* you also will be. ⁴ And you know the way where I am going." ⁵ Thomas *said to Him, "Lord, we do not know where You are going; how do we know the way?" ⁶ Jesus *said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father except through Me.

⁷ If you ⁱⁿhad known Me, you would have known My Father also; from now on you know Him, and have seen Him."

⁸ Philip *said to Him, "Lord, show us the Father, and it is enough for us." ⁹ Jesus *said to him, "Have I been with ⁱⁿyou for so long a time, and *yet* ⁱⁿyou have not come to know Me, Philip? The one who has seen Me has seen the Father; how *can* you say, 'Show us the Father'? ¹⁰ Do you not believe that I am in the Father, and the Father is in Me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on My own, but the Father, as He remains in Me, does His works. ¹¹ Believe Me that I am in the Father and the Father is in Me; otherwise believe because of the works themselves. ¹² Truly, truly I say to you, the one who believes in Me, the works that I do, he will do also; and greater *works* than these he will do; because I am going to the Father. ¹³ And whatever you ask in My name, this I will do, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. ¹⁴ If you ask Me anything in My name, I will do *it*.