

## **The Tsunami Blessing Inside and Out, Part 183 Scriptures**

**This is Section A of a multi-part instruction. The heavens are the Lord's, but the earth He has conferred to all mankind. The one who rules is the same one who owns and occupies. The larger your territory, the greater your options are. Open your heart to God and allow Him to enlarge it with His dreams. Open your mouth to Jesus and allow Him to fill it the *logos* Word and the *rhema* Word that are enlarged over any enemy. Open your womb i.e., non-gender specific, to Holy Spirit so He can enlarge your territory. Then Elohim, the Triune God will enlarge your steps so that you will never be overthrown.**

**All the creation that God made alongside Jesus Christ and Holy Spirit was for the purpose of land re-development. Their original creations, Adam and Eve were to work it and guard it as they enlarged their territory through their expansion efforts. Although they were evicted from the land that was their God-given inheritance, the Garden of Eden, the abundant life, the eternal life, and the resurrection life are still made available to you through your redemption rights that are only in Jesus Christ.**

**In Genesis, the earth was without form, void, and darkness was upon the face of the deep. God never created it that way, but after satan lost his citizenship in heaven and was thrown out along with of the one-third angels, now demons, the earth became a landfill. That corrupted the earth. Now recreated in the image and likeness of Elohim, you still have both authority and power to transact business to own and to occupy. After Jesus' resurrection and before the rapture of the Church, God assigned you to reign as heaven's ambassador on earth, even right now. God exposed, imposed, and deposed satan's lie that was fabricated evidence appearing real that he and his cohorts thought could be accomplished although it was impossible all the time. Never permit any weapon formed against you to prosper. God, the Father, God, the Son, and God, the Holy Spirit always cause you to triumph by already giving you the victory. Anything you will not rule, will eventually rule you. Now better understand what you already have the title deed to possess. If you do not know what you have, then you will not know if you lost it either. God has blessed you to be fruitful, multiply, replenish, subdue, and have dominion. So own and occupy!**

## God Never Withholds His Promises from You

### John 3:16 King James Version

<sup>16</sup> For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

### Romans 8:32, King James Version

<sup>32</sup> He that spared not his own Son, but delivered him up for us all, how shall he not with him also freely give us all things?

### Romans 8:32, The Passion Translation

<sup>32</sup> For God has proved his love by giving us his greatest treasure, the gift of his Son. And since God freely offered him up as the sacrifice for us all,<sup>[a]</sup> he certainly won't withhold from us anything else he has to give.

### Footnotes

- a. 8:32 This is an intentional echo of Gen. 22:16. Although God spared Abraham's son, Isaac, he would not spare his own Son, Jesus Christ.

### James 1:17-18, The Passion Translation

<sup>17</sup> Every gift<sup>[a]</sup> God freely gives us is good and perfect,<sup>[b]</sup> streaming down from the Father of lights,<sup>[c]</sup> who shines from the heavens with no hidden shadow or darkness<sup>[d]</sup> and is never subject to change. <sup>18</sup> God was delighted<sup>[e]</sup> to give us birth by the truth of his infallible Word<sup>[f]</sup> so that we would fulfill his chosen destiny for us and become the favorite ones out of all his creation!<sup>[g]</sup>

### Footnotes

- a. 1:17 Or "legacy."
- b. 1:17 The Aramaic word used here, *mshamlaita*, means "complete, wholesome, abundant, sufficient, enough, and perfect."
- c. 1:17 Jesus calls us the light of the world (Matt. 5:14-16) and Paul describes believers as "shining lights" (Phil. 2:15) in this world. God is our Father, he created angels but he brought us into new birth. The Greek word *anōthen* ("from above") is used by Jesus in describing to Nicodemus that we are born from above. We are lights born from above. See also John 3:7.
- d. 1:17 Or "shadow of turning." The implication is there is nothing that you will find wrong with God, nothing in him that could even remotely appear to be evil hiding. The more you get to know him the more you realize how beautiful and holy he is.

- e. 1:18 Or "God having decided gave us birth." The comparison in this passage is striking. Sin gives birth to death, God from his pure desires gives us birth to bring him glory.
- f. 1:18 The Aramaic can be translated "the word of the rainbow-sign." That is, the unbreakable new covenant promises we have as new creatures in Christ.
- g. 1:18 Or "a kind of firstfruits of his creations" or "the pledge [down-payment] of a still further creation [a more complete harvest]."

**Psalm 84:9-12, King James Version**

- <sup>9</sup> Behold, O God our shield, and look upon the face of thine anointed.
- <sup>10</sup> For a day in thy courts is better than a thousand. I had rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God, than to dwell in the tents of wickedness.
- <sup>11</sup> For the LORD God is a sun and shield: the LORD will give grace and glory: no good thing will he withhold from them that walk uprightly.
- <sup>12</sup> O LORD of hosts, blessed is the man that trusteth in thee.

**Matthew 7:7-11, King James Version**

- <sup>7</sup> Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you:
- <sup>8</sup> For every one that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth; and to him that knocketh it shall be opened.
- <sup>9</sup> Or what man is there of you, whom if his son ask bread, will he give him a stone?
- <sup>10</sup> Or if he ask a fish, will he give him a serpent?
- <sup>11</sup> If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children, how much more shall your Father which is in heaven give good things to them that ask him?

**Deuteronomy 1:10-11, King James Version**

- <sup>10</sup> The LORD your God hath multiplied you, and, behold, ye are this day as the stars of heaven for multitude.
- <sup>11</sup> (The LORD God of your fathers make you a thousand times so many more as ye are, and bless you, as he hath promised you!)

## **No Signs of Loss or Lack: God Blessed Abraham in All Things**

**Genesis 24:1 King James Version (KJV)** And Abraham was old, and well stricken in age: and the LORD had blessed Abraham in all things.

**Genesis 24:1 Complete Jewish Bible (CJB)** By now Avraham was old, advanced in years; and *ADONAI* had blessed Avraham in everything.

**Genesis 24:1 Expanded Bible (EXB)** Abraham was now very old, along in years [<sup>1</sup>going in days], and the LORD had blessed him in every way.

### **Genesis 13:14-18, King James Version**

<sup>14</sup> And the LORD said unto Abram, after that Lot was separated from him, Lift up now thine eyes, and look from the place where thou art northward, and southward, and eastward, and westward:

<sup>15</sup> For all the land which thou seest, to thee will I give it, and to thy seed for ever.

<sup>16</sup> And I will make thy seed as the dust of the earth: so that if a man can number the dust of the earth, then shall thy seed also be numbered.

<sup>17</sup> Arise, walk through the land in the length of it and in the breadth of it; for I will give it unto thee.

<sup>18</sup> Then Abram removed his tent, and came and dwelt in the plain of Mamre, which is in Hebron, and built there an altar unto the LORD.

### **Isaiah 55, King James Version**

Ho, every one that thirsteth, come ye to the waters, and he that hath no money; come ye, buy, and eat; yea, come, buy wine and milk without money and without price.

<sup>2</sup> Wherefore do ye spend money for that which is not bread? and your labour for that which satisfieth not? hearken diligently unto me, and eat ye that which is good, and let your soul delight itself in fatness.

<sup>3</sup> Incline your ear, and come unto me: hear, and your soul shall live; and I will make an everlasting covenant with you, even the sure mercies of David.

<sup>4</sup> Behold, I have given him for a witness to the people, a leader and commander to the people.

<sup>5</sup> Behold, thou shalt call a nation that thou knowest not, and nations that knew not thee shall run unto thee because of the LORD thy God, and for the Holy One of Israel; for he hath glorified thee.

<sup>6</sup> Seek ye the LORD while he may be found, call ye upon him while he is near:

<sup>7</sup> Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts: and let him return unto the LORD, and he will have mercy upon him; and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.

<sup>8</sup> For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, saith the LORD.

<sup>9</sup> For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts.

<sup>10</sup> For as the rain cometh down, and the snow from heaven, and returneth not thither, but watereth the earth, and maketh it bring forth and bud, that it may give seed to the sower, and bread to the eater:

<sup>11</sup> So shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth: it shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it.

<sup>12</sup> For ye shall go out with joy, and be led forth with peace: the mountains and the hills shall break forth before you into singing, and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands.

<sup>13</sup> Instead of the thorn shall come up the fir tree, and instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle tree: and it shall be to the LORD for a name, for an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off.

### **Proverbs 15:4 King James Version**

<sup>4</sup> A wholesome tongue is a tree of life: but perverseness therein is a breach in the spirit.

### **Jeremiah 1:11-12, Amplified Bible, Classic Edition**

<sup>11</sup> Moreover, the word of the Lord came to me, saying, Jeremiah, what do you see? And I said, I see a branch *or* shoot of an almond tree [the emblem of alertness and activity, blossoming in late winter].

<sup>12</sup> Then said the Lord to me, You have seen well, for I am alert *and* active, watching over My word to perform it.

### **The Power of One: Focus on the Founding Father's Faith**

**Isaiah 51:1-3 King James Version (KJV)** Hearken to me, ye that follow after righteousness, ye that seek the LORD: look unto the rock whence ye are hewn, and to the hole of the pit whence ye are digged. <sup>2</sup> Look unto Abraham your father, and unto Sarah that bare you: for I called him alone, and blessed him, and increased him. <sup>3</sup> For the LORD shall comfort Zion: he will comfort all her waste places; and he will make her wilderness like Eden, and her desert like the garden of the LORD; joy and gladness shall be found therein, thanksgiving, and the voice of melody.

### **Isaiah 51:1-3 The Message (MSG) Committed to Seeking God <sup>1-</sup>**

<sup>3</sup> "Listen to me, all you who are serious about right living and committed to seeking God.

Ponder the rock from which you were cut,  
the quarry from which you were dug.  
Yes, ponder Abraham, your father,  
and Sarah, who bore you.  
Think of it! One solitary man when I called him,  
but once I blessed him, he multiplied.  
Likewise I, GOD, will comfort Zion,  
comfort all her mounds of ruins.  
I'll transform her dead ground into Eden,  
her moonscape into the garden of GOD,  
A place filled with exuberance and laughter,  
thankful voices and melodic songs.

**Galatians 3:28-29 King James Version (KJV)** <sup>28</sup> There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither bond nor free, there is neither male nor female: for ye are all one in Christ Jesus. <sup>29</sup> And if ye be Christ's, then are ye Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise.

**Romans 4:10-15 King James Version (KJV)** <sup>10</sup> How was it then reckoned? when he was in circumcision, or in uncircumcision? Not in circumcision, but in uncircumcision.

<sup>11</sup> And he received the sign of circumcision, a seal of the righteousness of the faith which he had yet being uncircumcised: that he might be the father of all them that believe, though they be not circumcised; that righteousness might be imputed unto them also: <sup>12</sup> And the father of circumcision to them who are not of the circumcision only, but who also walk in the steps of that faith of our father Abraham, which he had being yet uncircumcised.

<sup>13</sup> For the promise, that he should be the heir of the world, was not to Abraham, or to his seed, through the law, but through the righteousness of faith. <sup>14</sup> For if they which are of the law be heirs, faith is made void, and the promise made of none effect: <sup>15</sup> Because the law worketh wrath: for where no law is, there is no transgression.

**James 2:5, King James Version**

<sup>5</sup> Hearken, my beloved brethren, Hath not God chosen the poor of this world rich in faith, and heirs of the kingdom which he hath promised to them that love him?

**Romans 8:16-17, King James Version**

<sup>15</sup> For ye have not received the spirit of bondage again to fear; but ye have received the Spirit of adoption, whereby we cry, Abba, Father.

<sup>16</sup> The Spirit Himself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God:

<sup>17</sup> And if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ; if so be that we suffer with him, that we may be also glorified together.

### **Romans 4:20-21, King James Version**

<sup>20</sup> He staggered not at the promise of God through unbelief; but was strong in faith, giving glory to God;

<sup>21</sup> And being fully persuaded that, what he had promised, he was able also to perform.

## **The Planting of the Lord is Reproduced by the God's Word and Spirit**

### **Isaiah 61:1-11 AMPC**

**61** The Spirit of the Lord *God is upon* me, because the Lord has anointed *and* qualified me to preach the Gospel *of* good tidings to the meek, the poor, *and* afflicted; He has sent me to bind up *and* heal the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the [physical and spiritual] captives and the opening of the prison *and* of the eyes to those who are bound,

<sup>2</sup> To proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord [the year of His favor] <sup>[a]</sup> and the day of vengeance of our God, to comfort all who mourn,

<sup>3</sup> To grant [consolation and joy] to those who mourn in Zion—to give them an ornament (a garland or diadem) of beauty instead of ashes, the oil of joy instead of mourning, the garment [expressive] of praise instead of a heavy, burdened, *and* failing spirit—that they may be called oaks of righteousness [lofty, strong, and magnificent, distinguished for uprightness, justice, and right standing with God], the planting of the Lord, that He may be glorified.

<sup>4</sup> And they shall rebuild the ancient ruins; they shall raise up the former desolations and renew the ruined cities, the devastations of many generations.

<sup>5</sup> Aliens shall stand [ready] and feed your flocks, and foreigners shall be your plowmen and your vinedressers.

<sup>6</sup> But you shall be called the priests of the Lord; people will speak of you as the ministers of our God. You shall eat the wealth of the nations, and the glory [once that of your captors] shall be yours.

<sup>7</sup> Instead of your [former] shame you shall have a twofold recompense; instead of dishonor *and* reproach [your people] shall rejoice in their portion. Therefore in their land they shall possess double [what they had forfeited]; everlasting joy shall be theirs.

<sup>8</sup> For I the Lord love justice; I hate robbery *and* wrong with violence *or* a burnt offering. And I will faithfully give them their recompense in truth, and I will make an everlasting covenant *or* league with them.

<sup>9</sup> And their offspring shall be known among the nations and their descendants among the peoples. All who see them [in their prosperity] will recognize *and* acknowledge that they are the people whom the Lord has blessed.

<sup>10</sup> I will greatly rejoice in the Lord, my soul will exult in my God; for He has clothed me with the garments of salvation, He has covered me with the robe of righteousness, as a bridegroom decks himself with a garland, and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels.

<sup>11</sup> For as [surely as] the earth brings forth its shoots, and as a garden causes what is sown in it to spring forth, so [surely] the Lord God will cause rightness *and* justice and praise to spring forth before all the nations [through the self-fulfilling power of His word].

2 Timothy 1:6-7 King James Version (KJV)

<sup>6</sup> Wherefore I put thee in remembrance that thou stir up the gift of God, which is in thee by the putting on of my hands. <sup>7</sup> For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind [wisdom].

**In the Wisdom class, the first nine are from Isaiah 11:2-5, 10. They are 1) wisdom, 2) understanding, 3) counsel, 4) might, 5) knowledge, 6) fear of the Lord [reverence], 7) righteousness, 8) faithfulness, and 9) glorious [glory].**

**Resting in the Lord allows them to have habitation in you, not just visitation. Holy Spirit rested on Jesus and never departed from Him; Jesus never vexed Him at all.**

**Isaiah 63:10 an example of what happens when Holy Spirit is vexed. It indicates someone keeps pulling until he completely pulls away from Him. "But they rebelled, and vexed His Holy Spirit: therefore He was turned to be their enemy, and He fought against them."**

Isaiah 11:2, 5, 10 King James Version (KJV)

<sup>2</sup> And the spirit of the LORD shall rest upon Him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the LORD; <sup>5</sup> And righteousness shall be the girdle of His loins, and faithfulness the girdle of His reins. <sup>10</sup> And in that day there shall be a root of Jesse, which shall stand for an ensign of the people; to it shall the Gentiles seek: and His rest shall be glorious.

**In the Love class, the next nine are from Galatians 5:22-23. They include 1) love, 2) joy, 3) peace, 4) longsuffering, 5) gentleness, 6) goodness, 7) faith, 8) meekness, and 9) temperance.**



**Yielding to Holy Spirit, there is both protection and preservation. God's seal of endorsement that is upon Holy Spirit and Jesus Christ protects and preserves His fruit in and through you. Therefore you are sealed as well. That is similar to coating fruit with natural wax to protect it from rotting. Then His fruitfulness can be clearly tasted and seen that the Lord is indeed good.**

**Ephesians 4:30 counsels us to not grieve Holy Spirit, so He won't lose any opportunity through you. "And grieve not the Holy Spirit of God, whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption."**

Galatians 5:22-23 King James Version (KJV)

<sup>22</sup> But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, <sup>23</sup> Meekness, temperance: against such there is no law.

**In the Power class, the remaining nine are from I Corinthians 12:8-11. They encompass 1) the word of wisdom, 2) the word of knowledge, 3) the gift of faith [different from the fruit of faith], 4) the gifts of healing, 5) the working of miracles, 6) prophecy, 7) discerning of spirits, 8) divers kinds of tongues, and 9) interpretation of tongues.**

**Walking softly before the Lord helps you to discern the move of Holy Spirit to ensure what He has designed can never be extinguished. Live so you never think His divine intervention is an unscheduled interruption you take the option to reject. 1 Thessalonians 5:19 instructs us with these words, "Quench not the Spirit."**

1 Corinthians 12:4-11 King James Version (KJV)

<sup>4</sup> Now there are diversities of gifts, but the same Spirit. <sup>5</sup> And there are differences of administrations, but the same Lord. <sup>6</sup> And there are diversities of operations, but it is the same God which worketh all in all. <sup>7</sup> But the manifestation of the Spirit is given to every man to profit withal. <sup>8</sup> For to one is given by the Spirit the word of wisdom; to another the word of knowledge by the same Spirit; <sup>9</sup> To another faith by the same Spirit; to another the gifts of healing by the same Spirit; <sup>10</sup> To another the working of miracles; to another prophecy; to another discerning of spirits; to another divers kinds of tongues; to another the interpretation of tongues: <sup>11</sup> But all these worketh that one and the selfsame Spirit, dividing to every man severally as He will.

## **The Tree of Life in Genesis was a Gift by Choice**

**Genesis 2:8-10, 15 King James Version (KJV)** <sup>8</sup> And the LORD God planted a garden eastward in Eden; and there he put the man whom he had formed. <sup>9</sup> And out of the ground made the LORD God to grow every tree that is pleasant to the sight, and good for food; the **tree of life** also in the midst of the garden, and the tree of knowledge of good and evil. <sup>10</sup> And a river went out of Eden to water the garden; and from thence it was parted, and became into four heads. <sup>15</sup> And the Lord God took the man, and put him into the garden of **Eden** to dress it and to keep it.

**Genesis 3:15-18 King James Version (KJV)** <sup>16</sup> Unto the woman he said, I will greatly multiply thy sorrow and thy conception; in sorrow thou shalt bring forth children; and thy desire shall be to thy husband, and he shall rule over thee. <sup>17</sup> And unto Adam he said, Because thou hast hearkened unto the voice of thy wife, and hast eaten of the tree, of which I commanded thee, saying, Thou shalt not eat of it: cursed is the ground for thy sake; in sorrow shalt thou eat of it all the days of thy life; <sup>18</sup> Thorns also and thistles shall it bring forth to thee; and thou shalt eat the herb of the field;

**Genesis 3:21-24 King James Version (KJV)** <sup>21</sup> Unto Adam also and to his wife did the LORD God make coats of skins, and clothed them. <sup>22</sup> And the LORD God said, Behold, the man is become as one of us, to know good and evil: and now, lest he put forth his hand, and take also of the tree of life, and eat, and live for ever: <sup>23</sup> Therefore the LORD God sent him forth from the garden of Eden, to till the ground from whence he was taken. <sup>24</sup> So he drove out the man; and he placed at the east of the garden of **Eden** Cherubims, and a flaming sword which turned every way, to keep the way of the tree of life.

## **The Tree of Life in Revelation was a Reward for Conquerors**

**Revelation 2:7 King James Version (KJV)** He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches; To him that overcometh will I give to eat of the **tree of life**, which is in the midst of the paradise of God.

**Revelation 22:1-3 King James Version (KJV)** And he shewed me a pure river of water of life, clear as crystal, proceeding out of the throne of God and of the Lamb. <sup>2</sup> In the midst of the street of it, and on either side of the river, was there the **tree of life**, which bare twelve manner of fruits, and yielded her fruit every month: and the leaves of the tree were for the

healing of the nations. <sup>3</sup> And there shall be no more curse: but the throne of God and of the Lamb shall be in it; and his servants shall serve him.

**Revelation 22:14 King James Version (KJV)** Blessed are they that do his commandments, that they may have right to the **tree of life**, and may enter in through the gates into the city.

### **Revelation of Resurrection of the Tree of Life**

**Job 14:7-9 King James Version (KJV)** <sup>7</sup> For there is hope of a tree, if it be cut down, that it will sprout again, and that the tender branch thereof will not cease. <sup>8</sup> Though the root thereof wax old in the earth, and the stock thereof die in the ground; <sup>9</sup> Yet through the scent of water it will bud, and bring forth boughs like a plant.

**Romans 8:20-21 Complete Jewish Bible (CJB)** <sup>20</sup> for the creation was made subject to frustration — not willingly, but because of the one who subjected it. But it was given a reliable hope <sup>21</sup> that it too would be set free from its bondage to decay and would enjoy the freedom accompanying the glory that God’s children will have.

### **Galatians 3:13-14, King James Version**

<sup>13</sup> Christ hath redeemed us from the curse of the law, being made a curse for us: for it is written, Cursed is every one that hangeth on a tree:

<sup>14</sup> That the blessing of Abraham might come on the Gentiles through Jesus Christ; that we might receive the promise of the Spirit through faith.

### **Romans 6:4-6, The Passion Translation**

<sup>4</sup> Sharing in his death by our baptism means that we were co-buried with him, so that when the Father’s glory raised Christ from the dead, we were also raised with him. We have been co-resurrected with him so that we could be empowered to walk in the freshness of new life. <sup>5</sup> For since we are permanently grafted into him<sup>[a]</sup> to experience a death like his, then we are permanently grafted into him to experience a resurrection like his and the new life that it imparts.

<sup>6</sup> Could it be any clearer<sup>[a]</sup> that our former identity<sup>[b]</sup> is now and forever deprived of its power? For we were co-crucified with him to dismantle the stronghold of sin within us,<sup>[c]</sup> so that we would not continue to live one moment longer submitted to sin’s power.<sup>[d]</sup>

### **Ephesians 2:6, The Passion Translation**

<sup>6</sup> He raised us up with Christ the exalted One, *and we ascended with him into the glorious perfection and authority* of the heavenly realm, for we are now co-seated<sup>[a]</sup> as one with Christ!

### **John 11:24-26, King James Version**

<sup>24</sup> Martha saith unto him, I know that he shall rise again in the resurrection at the last day.

<sup>25</sup> Jesus said unto her, I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live:

<sup>26</sup> And whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die. Believest thou this?

### **Romans 8:10-11, King James Version**

<sup>10</sup> And if Christ be in you, the body is dead because of sin; but the Spirit is life because of righteousness.

<sup>11</sup> But if the Spirit of him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwell in you, he that raised up Christ from the dead shall also quicken your mortal bodies by his Spirit that dwelleth in you.

### **Ephesians 1:3, King James Version**

<sup>3</sup> Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ:

### **Psalms 68:19, King James Version**

<sup>19</sup> Blessed be the Lord, who daily loadeth us with benefits, even the God of our salvation. Selah.

## **Recreate the Garden of Eden on the Inside: Be the Tree of Life**

### **Isaiah 61:1-4 Common English Bible (CEB)**

#### **Joyful proclamations**

61 The LORD God's spirit is upon me,  
because the LORD has anointed me.

He has sent me

to bring good news to the poor,  
to bind up the brokenhearted,  
to proclaim release for captives,  
and liberation for prisoners,

<sup>2</sup> to proclaim the year of the LORD's favor

and a day of vindication for our God,  
to comfort all who mourn,  
<sup>3</sup> to provide for Zion's mourners,  
to give them a crown in place of ashes,  
oil of joy in place of mourning,  
a mantle of praise in place of discouragement.  
They will be called Oaks of Righteousness,  
planted by the LORD to glorify himself.  
<sup>4</sup> They will rebuild the ancient ruins;  
they will restore formerly deserted places;  
they will renew ruined cities,  
places deserted in generations past.

**Psalm 1 King James Version (KJV)** Blessed is the man that walketh not  
in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth  
in the seat of the scornful.

<sup>2</sup> But his delight is in the law of the LORD; and in his law doth he meditate  
day and night. <sup>3</sup> And he shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water,  
that bringeth forth his fruit in his season; his leaf also shall not wither; and  
whatsoever he doeth shall prosper.

<sup>4</sup> The ungodly are not so: but are like the chaff which the wind driveth away.  
<sup>5</sup> Therefore the ungodly shall not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the  
congregation of the righteous. <sup>6</sup> For the LORD knoweth the way of the  
righteous: but the way of the ungodly shall perish.

### **Psalm 1 The Message (MSG)**

1 How well God must like you—  
you don't hang out at Sin Saloon,  
you don't slink along Dead-End Road,  
you don't go to Smart-Mouth College.

<sup>2-3</sup> Instead you thrill to GOD's Word,  
you chew on Scripture day and night.  
You're a tree replanted in Eden,  
bearing fresh fruit every month,  
Never dropping a leaf,  
always in blossom.

<sup>4-5</sup> You're not at all like the wicked,  
who are mere windblown dust—

Without defense in court,  
unfit company for innocent people.

<sup>6</sup> GOD charts the road you take.  
The road *they* take is Skid Row.

**Ezekiel 36:33-38, Amplified Bible, Classic Edition**

<sup>33</sup> Thus says the Lord God: In the day that I cleanse you from all your iniquities I will [also] cause [Israel's] cities to be inhabited, and the waste places shall be rebuilt.

<sup>34</sup> And the desolate land shall be tilled, that which had lain desolate in the sight of all who passed by.

<sup>35</sup> And they shall say, This land that was desolate has become like the garden of Eden, and the waste and desolate and ruined cities are fortified and inhabited.

<sup>36</sup> Then the nations that are left round about you shall know that I the Lord have rebuilt the ruined places and replanted that which was desolate. I the Lord have spoken it, and I will do it.

<sup>37</sup> Thus says the Lord God: For this also I will let the house of Israel inquire of Me to do it for them; I will increase their men like a flock.

<sup>38</sup> Like the flock of holy things for sacrifice, like the flock of Jerusalem in her [solemn] appointed feasts, so shall the waste cities be filled with flocks of men; and they shall know, understand, *and* realize that I am the Lord [the Sovereign Ruler, Who calls forth loyalty and obedient service].