

Deuteronomy 26:1–11

1 “When you come into the land that the Lord your God is giving you for an inheritance and have taken possession of it and live in it, **2** you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from your land that the Lord your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket, and you shall go to the place that the Lord your God will choose, to make his name to dwell there. **3** And you shall go to the priest who is in office at that time and say to him, ‘I declare today to the Lord your God that I have come into the land that the Lord swore to our fathers to give us.’ **4** Then the priest shall take the basket from your hand and set it down before the altar of the Lord your God.

5 “And you shall make response before the Lord your God, ‘A wandering Aramean was my father. And he went down into Egypt and sojourned there, few in number, and there he became a nation, great, mighty, and populous. **6** And the Egyptians treated us harshly and humiliated us and laid on us hard labor. **7** Then we cried to the Lord, the God of our fathers, and the Lord heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. **8** And the Lord brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with great deeds of terror, with signs and wonders. **9** And he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. **10** And behold, now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground, which you, O Lord, have given me.’ And you shall set it down before the Lord your God and worship before the Lord your God. **11** And you shall rejoice in all the good that the Lord your God has given to you and to your house, you, and the Levite, and the sojourner who is among you.”

**Psalm 91:1-13**

- 1** He who dwells in the shelter of the | Most High*
will abide in the shadow of the Al- |
mighty.
- 2** I will say to the Lord, "My refuge and my |
fortress,*
my God, in | whom I trust."
- 3** For he will deliver you from the snare of the |
fowler*
and from the deadly | pestilence.
- 4** He will cover you with his pinions,
and under his wings you will find | refuge;*
his faithfulness is a shield and | buckler.
- 5** You will not fear the terror | of the night,*
nor the arrow that | flies by day,
6 nor the pestilence that stalks in | darkness,*
nor the destruction that wastes at |
noonday.
- 7** A thousand may fall at your side,
ten thousand at your | right hand,*
but it will not come | near you.
- 8** You will only look | with your eyes*
and see the recompense of the | wicked.
- 9** Because you have made the Lord your |
dwelling place—*
the Most High, who is my | refuge—
10 no evil shall be allowed to be- | fall you,*
no plague come | near your tent.
- 11** For he will command his angels
con- | cerning you*
to guard you in | all your ways.
- 12** On their hands they will | bear you up,*
lest you strike your foot a- | gainst a stone.
- 13** You will tread on the lion and the | adder;*
the young lion and the serpent you will
trample | underfoot.

Romans 10:8b–13

“The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart” (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); ⁹because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. ¹⁰For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved. ¹¹For the Scripture says, “Everyone who believes in him will not be put to shame.” ¹²For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all, bestowing his riches on all who call on him. ¹³For “everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.”

Luke 4:1–13

¹Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness ²for forty days, being tempted by the devil. And he ate nothing during those days. And when they were ended, he was hungry. ³The devil said to him, “If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become bread.” ⁴And Jesus answered him, “It is written, ‘Man shall not live by bread alone.’” ⁵And the devil took him up and showed him all the kingdoms of the world in a moment of time, ⁶and said to him, “To you I will give all this authority and their glory, for it has been delivered to me, and I give it to whom I will. ⁷If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours.” ⁸And Jesus answered him, “It is written,

“‘You shall worship the Lord your God,
and him only shall you serve.’”

⁹And he took him to Jerusalem and set him on the pinnacle of the temple and said to him, “If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, ¹⁰for it is written,

“‘He will command his angels concerning you,
to guard you,’

¹¹and

“‘On their hands they will bear you up,
lest you strike your foot against a stone.’”

¹²And Jesus answered him, “It is said, ‘You shall not put the Lord your God to the test.’” ¹³And when the devil had ended every temptation, he departed from him until an opportune time.