

The Lessons:

4. The Psalmody - PSALM 25:15-22

Antiphon

L: ♪ The secret of the Lord is with those who fear Him, / And He will show them His covenant.

Psalm

C: My eyes are ever toward the Lord, / For He shall pluck my feet out of the net.

Turn Yourself to me, and have mercy on me, / For I am desolate and afflicted.

The troubles of my heart have enlarged; / Bring me out of my distresses!

Look on my affliction and my pain, / And forgive all my sins.

Consider my enemies, for they are many; / And they hate me with cruel hatred.

Keep my soul, and deliver me; / Let me not be ashamed, for I put my trust in You.

Let integrity and uprightness preserve me, / For I wait for You.

Redeem Israel, O God, / Out of all their troubles!

All: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; / as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: forever-more. Amen.

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I Peter 2

21 To this you were called, because Christ also suffered for [a]us, leaving [b]us an example, that you should follow His steps:

22 “Who committed no sin, Nor was deceit found in His mouth”;

23 who, when He was reviled, did not revile in return; when He suffered, He did not threaten, but committed *Himself* to Him who judges righteously; 24 who Himself bore our sins in His own body on the tree, that we, having died to sins, might live for righteousness—by whose [c]stripes you were healed. 25 For you were like sheep going astray, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls

P: ♪ O Lord, have mercy upon us.

C: Thanks be to You, O Lord!

Mark 14:53 And they led Jesus away to the high priest; and with him were assembled all the chief priests, the elders, and the scribes. 54 But Peter followed Him at a distance, right into the courtyard of the high priest. And he sat with the servants and warmed himself at the fire.

55 Now the chief priests and all the council sought testimony against Jesus to put Him to death, but found none. 56 For many bore false witness against Him, but their testimonies [k]did not agree. 57 Then some rose up and bore false witness against Him, saying, 58 “We heard Him say, ‘I will destroy this temple made with hands, and within three days I will build another made without hands.’ ” 59 But not even then did their testimony agree.

60 And the high priest stood up in the midst and asked Jesus, saying, “Do You answer nothing? What *is it* these men testify against You?” 61 But He kept silent and answered nothing. Again the high priest asked Him, saying to Him, “Are You the Christ, the Son of the Blessed?” 62 Jesus said, “I am. And you will see the Son of Man sitting at the right hand of the Power, and coming with the clouds of heaven.” 63 Then the high priest tore his clothes and said, “What further need do we have of witnesses? 64 You have heard the blasphemy! What do you think?” And they all condemned Him to be deserving of death.

65 Then some began to spit on Him, and to blindfold Him, and to beat Him, and to say to Him, “Prophesy!” And the officers struck Him with the palms of their hands.

66 Now as Peter was below in the courtyard, one of the servant girls of the high priest came. 67 And when she saw Peter warming himself, she looked at him and said, “You also were with Jesus of Nazareth.” 68 But he denied it, saying, “I neither know nor understand what you are saying.” And he went out on the porch, and a rooster crowed. 69 And the servant girl saw him again, and began to say to those who stood by, “This is *one* of them.” 70 But he denied it again. And a little later those who stood by said to Peter again, “Surely you are *one* of them; for you are a Galilean, and your speech shows *it*.” 71 Then he began to curse and swear, “I do not know this Man of whom you speak!” 72 A second time *the* rooster crowed.

Then Peter called to mind the word that Jesus had said to him, “Before the rooster crows twice, you will deny Me three times.” And when he thought about it, he wept.

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