

## **Enriching our Worship Suggestions**

### **From the Old testament**

#### **Isaiah 25:6-9**

<sup>6</sup> On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples  
a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines,  
of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear.

<sup>7</sup> And he will destroy on this mountain  
the shroud that is cast over all peoples,  
the covering that is spread over all nations;

<sup>8</sup> he will swallow up death forever.

Then the Lord God will wipe away the tears from all faces,  
and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth,  
for the Lord has spoken.

<sup>9</sup> It will be said on that day,  
“See, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us.  
This is the Lord for whom we have waited;  
let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.”

#### **Daniel 12:1-3**

**12** “At that time Michael, the great prince, the protector of your people, shall arise. There shall be a time of anguish such as has never occurred since nations first came into existence. But at that time your people shall be delivered, everyone who is found written in the book. <sup>2</sup> Many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth<sup>[a]</sup> shall awake, some to everlasting life and some to shame and everlasting contempt. <sup>3</sup> Those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the sky,<sup>[b]</sup> and those who lead the many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever.

## **Wisdom of Solomon 1:13-15**

because God did not make death,  
and he does not delight in the destruction of the living.

<sup>14</sup> For he created all things so that they might exist;  
the generative forces<sup>[a]</sup> of the world are wholesome,  
and there is no destructive poison in them,  
and the dominion<sup>[b]</sup> of Hades is not on earth.

<sup>15</sup> For righteousness is immortal

## **Job 14:7-12**

“For there is hope for a tree,  
if it is cut down, that it will sprout again  
and that its shoots will not cease.

<sup>8</sup> Though its root grows old in the earth  
and its stump dies in the ground,

<sup>9</sup> yet at the scent of water it will bud  
and put forth branches like a young plant.

<sup>10</sup> But mortals die and are laid low;  
humans expire, and where are they?

<sup>11</sup> As waters fail from a lake  
and a river wastes away and dries up,

<sup>12</sup> so mortals lie down and do not rise again;  
until the heavens are no more, they will not awake  
or be roused out of their sleep.

## **From the New Testament**

### **Romans 6:3-11**

<sup>3</sup> Do you not know that all of us who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death?<sup>4</sup> Therefore we were buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we also might walk in newness of life.

<sup>5</sup> For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. <sup>6</sup> We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be destroyed, so we might no longer be enslaved to sin. <sup>7</sup> For whoever has died is freed<sup>[a]</sup> from sin. <sup>8</sup> But if we died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. <sup>9</sup> We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. <sup>10</sup> The death he died, he died to sin once for all, but the life he lives, he lives to God. <sup>11</sup> So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

### **Romans 14:7-9**

<sup>7</sup> For we do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. <sup>8</sup> If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. <sup>9</sup> For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living

## **I Corinthians 15:51-58**

<sup>51</sup> Look, I will tell you a mystery! We will not all die,<sup>[a]</sup> but we will all be changed, <sup>52</sup> in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised imperishable, and we will be changed. <sup>53</sup> For this perishable body must put on imperishability, and this mortal body must put on immortality. <sup>54</sup> When this perishable body puts on imperishability and this mortal body puts on immortality, then the saying that is written will be fulfilled:

“Death has been swallowed up in victory.”

<sup>55</sup> “Where, O death, is your victory?

Where, O death, is your sting?”

<sup>56</sup> The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. <sup>57</sup> But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

<sup>58</sup> Therefore, my beloved brothers and sisters, be steadfast, immovable, always excelling in the work of the Lord because you know that in the Lord your labor is not in vain.

## **2 Corinthians 5:1-9**

<sup>5</sup> For we know that, if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. <sup>2</sup> For in this tent we groan, longing to be further clothed with our heavenly dwelling, <sup>3</sup> for surely when we have been clothed in it<sup>[a]</sup> we will not be found naked. <sup>4</sup> For while we are in this tent, we groan under our burden because we wish not to be unclothed but to be further clothed, so that what is mortal may be swallowed up by life. <sup>5</sup> The one who has prepared us for this very thing is God, who has given us the Spirit as a down payment.

<sup>6</sup> So we are always confident, even though we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord— <sup>7</sup> for we walk by faith, not by sight. <sup>8</sup> Yes, we do have confidence, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. <sup>9</sup> So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to be pleasing to him.

## **I Peter 1:3-9**

<sup>3</sup> Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead <sup>4</sup> and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, <sup>5</sup> who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. <sup>6</sup> In this you rejoice,<sup>[a]</sup> even if now for a little while you have had to suffer various trials, <sup>7</sup> so that the genuineness of your faith—being more precious than gold that, though perishable, is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed. <sup>8</sup> Although you have not seen<sup>[b]</sup> him, you love him, and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy,<sup>9</sup> for you are receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.