

BIBLE READING: August 11, 2024
Revised Standard Version

Psalm 34:1-8 (Read responsively in church)

- 34 I will bless the Lord at all times;
his praise shall continually be in my mouth.
² My soul makes its boast in the Lord;
let the afflicted hear and be glad.
³ O magnify the Lord with me,
and let us exalt his name together!
⁴ I sought the Lord, and he answered me,
and delivered me from all my fears.
⁵ Look to him, and be radiant;
so your^[a] faces shall never be ashamed.
⁶ This poor man cried, and the Lord heard him,
and saved him out of all his troubles.
⁷ The angel of the Lord encamps
around those who fear him, and delivers them.
⁸ O taste and see that the Lord is good!
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Ephesians 4:25-5:2

Rules for the New Life

- ²⁵ Therefore, putting away falsehood, let every one speak the truth with his neighbor, for we are members one of another.
²⁶ Be angry but do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, ²⁷ and give no opportunity to the devil.
²⁸ Let the thief no longer steal, but rather let him labor, doing honest work with his hands, so that he may be able to give to those in need.
²⁹ Let no evil talk come out of your mouths, but only such as is good for edifying, as fits the occasion, that it may impart grace to those who hear.
³⁰ And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, in whom you were sealed for the day of redemption.
³¹ Let all bitterness and wrath and anger and clamor and slander be put away from you, with all malice, ³² and be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you.

5 Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children.

² And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.