

*Readings from Matthew chapter 15—August 1<sup>st</sup>-7<sup>th</sup>, 2021*

**21** Then Jesus went out from there and departed to the region of Tyre and Sidon. **22** And behold, a woman of Canaan came from that region and cried out to Him, saying, “Have mercy on me, O Lord, Son of David! My daughter is severely demon-possessed.” **23** But He answered her not a word. And His disciples came and urged Him, saying, “Send her away, for she cries out after us.” **24** But He answered and said, “I was not sent except to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.” **25** Then she came and worshiped Him, saying, “Lord, help me!” **26** But He answered and said, “It is not good to take the children’s bread and throw it to the little dogs.” **27** And she said, “Yes, Lord, yet even the little dogs eat the crumbs which fall from their masters’ table.” **28** Then Jesus answered and said to her, “O woman, great is your faith! Let it be to you as you desire.” And her daughter was healed from that very hour.

*Sunday:* **Where were Tyre and Sidon located? Where was Canaan?** **Pray** for Sparta, Ill., RPC as they pray for the lost and engage in door-to-door evangelism—**pray** for diligence and a clear, loving presentation of the gospel. **Pray** that we would be protected from tyrannical rulers in our nation.

*Monday:* **What does mercy mean? Join in praise and thanksgiving** with the Shawnee, Kan., RPC for the recent election of Barry VanHorn and Harry Ward as elders. **Pray** for our students in government schools, that they would be protected from anti-Christian propaganda being taught in the classrooms. **Pray** for the Christian faculty members in the government schools and colleges, that they would be protected from discrimination, and would also be bold as well as wise in their witness.

*Tuesday:* **What does it mean that Jesus is the Son of David? Please pray** for the doctor of ministry classes that are happening during the month of August at the Reformed Presbyterian Theological Seminary (RPTS). **Pray** for Messiah’s Church, Clay, N.Y., that it would grow and have all of its financial needs met.

*Wednesday:* **What does it mean to be demon-possessed? Please pray** for various writing projects that each of the RPTS faculty members are working on this summer, that they would benefit Christ’s church. **Pray** that many of the students attending university in Glasgow, Scotland, would attend Glasgow RPC.

*Thursday:* **Why does Jesus push this woman away?** **Pray** for calmed hearts and anxieties of new students getting ready to go to Geneva College’s campus in the fall. **Pray** that Geneva College’s teaching and practice would conform to the will of God. **Pray** for Higashisuma RPC, Kobe, Japan, for their need for new ruling elders.

*Friday:* **How strong is your faith? Are there ways in which your faith is weak? Rejoice, giving thanks to our gracious Lord** for 150 years of His ministry at Hebron RPC, Clay Center, Kansas. **Pray** for Manhattan (Kan.) RPC, as it seeks a pastor.

*Saturday:* **Have you cried out to the Lord for His help?** **Pray** for the covenant children in Washington, Iowa, RPC as they begin a new school year; **pray** that they

would grow in their love for the Lord. **Pray** for Gateway RPC, Derry, Northern Ireland, for its need for a suitable meeting place. **Pray** for the service at ARPC tomorrow, that many would come and would be blessed.

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## Proclaiming the Kingship of Jesus Christ

Welcome and Announcements

Scripture Memory and Catechism Questions

The Call to Worship

Joel 2:12-14

\*The Invocation

\*Psalm 19A

“The Spacious Heav’ns Declare”

Scripture Reading

I John 1:1-2:2

Pastoral Prayer

\*Psalm 19B

“Jehovah’s Perfect Law”

Scripture Text

Proverbs 20:9

The Sermon

“Can You Say It?”

\*Prayer

\*Psalm 51D

“God, Be Merciful to Me”

The Administration of the Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper

\*Psalm 61

“My Voice and Prayer, O God, Attend”

\*Benediction

\*Psalm 68E

“O All Ye Kingdoms of the Earth”

*\* Congregation will please stand.*

*We are so glad that you could join us today!* Please be sure to return next week and bring a friend.

### Scripture Memory and Catechism Questions & Answers

**“Then will I teach transgressors Thy ways, and sinners shall be converted unto Thee.”—Psalm 51:13. “And as they were eating, Jesus took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them and said, ‘Take, eat; this is My body.’—Mark 14:22.**

***Q. 32. What benefits do they that are effectually called partake of in this life? A. They that are effectually called do in this life partake of justification, adoption, and sanctification, and the several benefits which in this life do either accompany or flow from them.***

***Q. 77. What is required in the ninth commandment? A. The ninth commandment requireth the maintaining and promoting of truth between man and man, and of our own and our neighbor's good name, especially in witness-bearing.***

***Q. 78. What is forbidden in the ninth commandment? A. The ninth commandment forbiddeth whatsoever is prejudicial to truth, or injurious to our own or our neighbor's good name.***

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***For your convenience, a tithe box is located at the back.***

We welcome to our pulpit today the Rev. Brian Coombs. Pastor of Messiah's Church in Clay, N.Y., he serves as Stated Clerk of St. Lawrence Presbytery. He is on the Synod Judicial Commission, and is also one of Synod’s parliamentarians. An accomplished musician, he was a member of the committee which produced *The Book of Psalms for Worship* (2009). He and his wife Dorian have four children: Anna (24), Elise (22), Crispin (19), and Tabby (14).

Can you say that you've cleansed your heart from sin?

(Consider those who can/can't, and what this implies for you.)

1. Those Who Can or Can't

a. The Sinner:

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b. The Religionist:

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c. Jesus:

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d. The Believer: \_\_\_\_\_

2. What This Implies for Y'all Who Believe

a. Since you \_\_\_\_\_ clean, \_\_\_\_\_ clean.

b. If you get \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ Jesus.