

A READING FROM JOSHUA 1:7-9

⁷ Only be strong and very courageous, being careful to act in accordance with all the law that my servant Moses commanded you; do not turn from it to the right hand or to the left, so that you may be successful wherever you go. ⁸ This book of the law shall not depart out of your mouth; you shall meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to act in accordance with all that is written in it. For then you shall make your way prosperous, and then you shall be successful. ⁹ I hereby command you: Be strong and courageous; do not be frightened or dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go.'

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

Psalm: 3 (SAID TOGETHER)

- ¹ Lord, how many adversaries I have! *
how many there are who rise up against me!
- ² How many there are who say of me, *
"There is no help for him in his God."
- ³ But you, O Lord, are a shield about me; *
you are my glory, the one who lifts up my head.
- ⁴ I call aloud upon the Lord, *
and he answers me from his holy hill;
- ⁵ I lie down and go to sleep; *
I wake again, because the Lord sustains me.
- ⁶ I do not fear the multitudes of people *
who set themselves against me all around.
- ⁷ Rise up, O Lord; set me free, O my God; *
surely, you will strike all my enemies across the face,
you will break the teeth of the wicked.
- ⁸ Deliverance belongs to the Lord. *
Your blessing be upon your people!

Gospel: John (15:18-21)

¹⁸ 'If the world hates you, be aware that it hated me before it hated you. ¹⁹ If you belonged to the world, the world would love you as its own. Because you do not belong to the world, but I have chosen you out of the world—therefore the world hates you ²⁰ Remember the word that I said to you, "Servants are not greater than their master."

If they persecuted me, they will persecute you; if they kept my word, they will keep yours also. ²¹ But they will do all these things to you on account of my name, because they do not know him who sent me.

Reader: The Gospel of the Lord.

(People: Praise to You Lord Christ)