DAILY BIBLE READINGS

November 25-December 1, 2024

Monday: Psalm 143 Tuesday: Song of Solomon 1:1-2:7 Psalm 144 Wednesday: Song of Solomon 2:8-3:11 Psalm 145 Song of Solomon 4:1-5:1 Psalm 146 Thursday: Song of Solomon 5:2-6:3 Psalm 147 Friday: Saturday: Song of Solomon 6:4-8:14 Psalm 148 Psalm 149 Sunday:

Weekend Reflection

"All your works shall give thanks to you, O Lord, and all your saints shall bless you!" – Psalm 145:10

What does it mean to bless the Lord? There is a hint in the Greek translation of the Old Testament (the Septuagint). The word for 'bless' is eulogeo, from which we get the English word 'eulogy'. And what is a eulogy? A eulogy is when friends and family speak well of a loved one.

This is what is meant in Psalm 145:10. "All of your saints shall speak bless you – they will speak well of you."

Oh, let's speak well of the Lord this week. Speak well of God's many blessings to you and your family, this Thursday! Consider the goodness of God in your life. Make a list of things for which you are thankful. And then speak them! Tell your family how good the Lord has been to you. Tell other Christians. Tell both unbelieving and believing family and friends around the Thanksgiving festivities this year. Tell your neighbors. Bless the Lord. That is what the saints do. We bless the Lord.

SUNDAY SERMON

The sermon on **Sunday**, **December 1**, is on Ephesians 2:1-10. It would be good to read this passage, perhaps as a family, before the Sunday service, to prepare your heart for the preaching of God's Word.

Faith Groups

- What does it mean to be "dead in our trespasses and sins"?
- Why is Paul reminding the Ephesians of their past?
 Why should we consider our past?
- What are some healthy and unhealthy ways to think about and remember our past?
- What hope do we have in our spiritual deadness?
- Discuss this quote from Robert McCheyne, "For every look at yourself, take ten looks at Christ." How is this helpful?