



WELCOME to the International Baptist Church of Prague

SUNDAY 2 MAY 2021

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PRAYER



Psalm 16. A miktam of David.

¹ Keep me safe, my God,
for in you I take refuge.

² I say to the LORD, 'You are my Lord;
apart from you I have no good thing.'

³ I say of the holy people who are in the land,
'They are the noble ones in whom is all my delight.'

⁴ Those who run after other gods will suffer more and more.
I will not pour out libations of blood to such gods
or take up their names on my lips.

⁵ LORD, you alone are my portion and my cup;
you make my lot secure.

⁶ The boundary lines have fallen for me in pleasant places;
surely I have a delightful inheritance.

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⁸ I keep my eyes always on the LORD.
With him at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.

⁹ Therefore my heart is glad and my tongue rejoices;
my body also will rest secure,

¹⁰ because you will not abandon me
to the realm of the dead,
nor will you let your faithful one see decay.

¹¹ You make known to me the path of life;
you will fill me with joy in your presence,
with eternal pleasures at your right hand.

A scenic landscape featuring a range of rugged, snow-capped mountains in the background. In the middle ground, a dense forest of dark green trees lines the shore of a calm lake. The lake's surface is perfectly still, creating a clear reflection of the mountains and the forest above. The sky is a clear, bright blue. Overlaid on the center of the image is the word "SERMON" in a large, bold, yellow sans-serif font.

SERMON



THE PSALMS

Psalm 16

“Walk with the Lord”

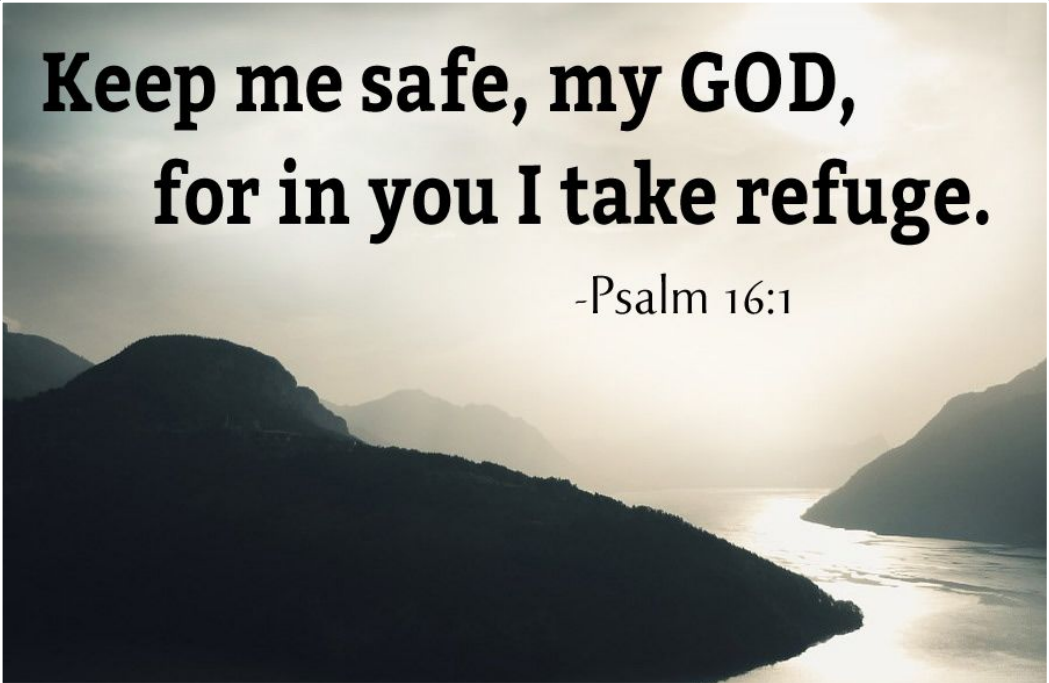
Psalm 16. A miktam of David: “Walk with the Lord”

MIKTAM EXAMPLES

Psalm 56. For the director of music. To the tune of ‘A Dove on Distant Oaks’. Of David. **A miktam.** When the Philistines had seized him in Gath.

Psalm 59. For the director of music. To the tune of ‘Do Not Destroy’. Of David. **A miktam.** When Saul had sent men to watch David’s house in order to kill him.

THE PRAYER



**Keep me safe, my GOD,
for in you I take refuge.**

-Psalm 16:1

Psalm 16: “Walk with the Lord”

REFUGE: 98x in OT - 25x “cities of refuge”; 43x in Psalms

Deuteronomy 33:27

The eternal God is your **refuge**, and underneath are the everlasting arms.

Psalm 46:1

God is our **refuge** and strength, an ever-present help in trouble.

Nahum 1:7

The Lord is good, a **refuge** in times of trouble. He cares for those who trust in him...

Keep me safe, my God,
for in you I take refuge.

Psalm 16:1

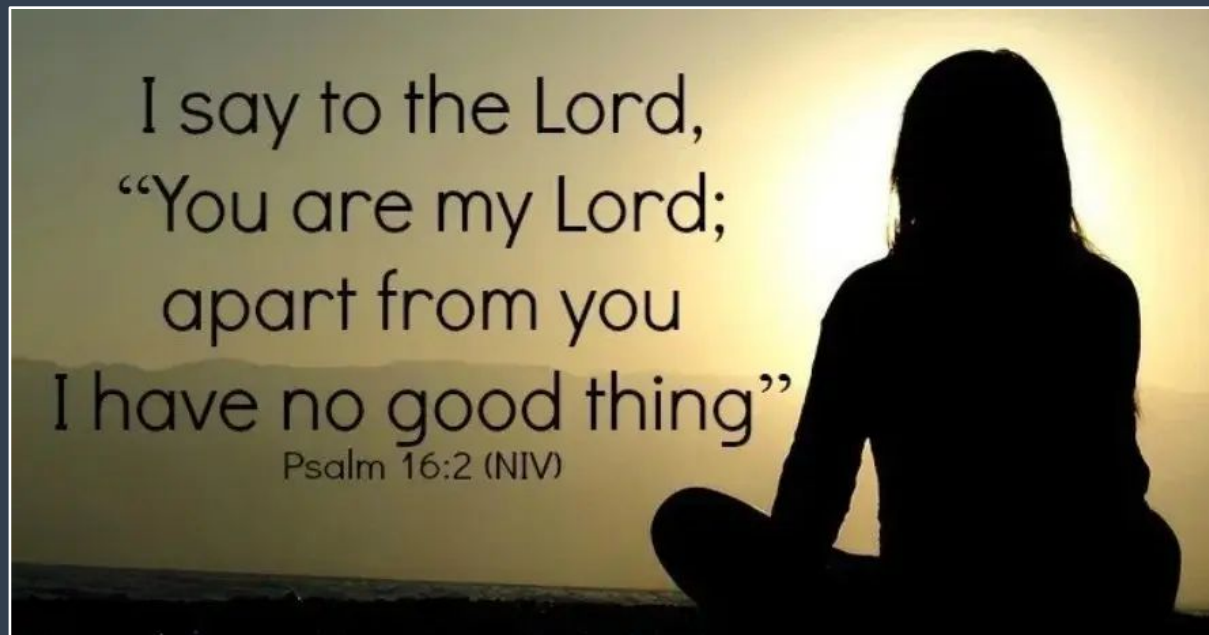


Psalm 16:2-4: The LORD, my DELIGHT


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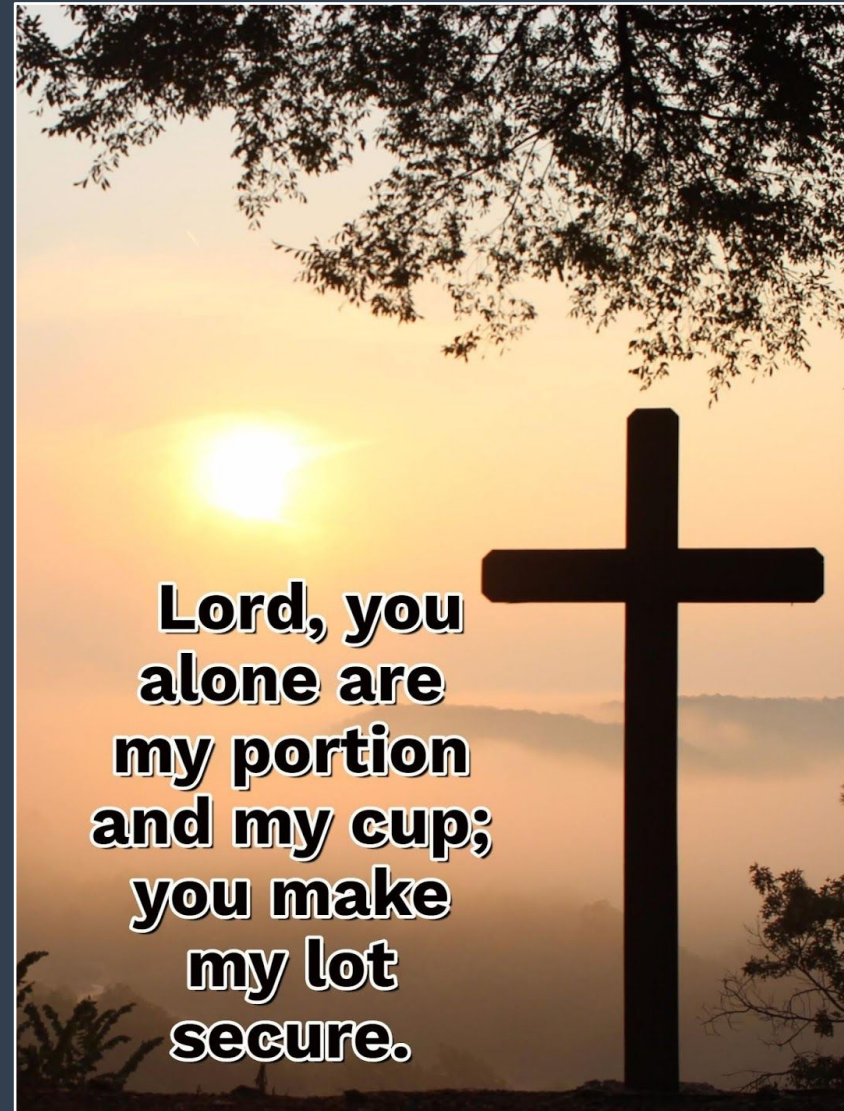
**Delight yourself in
the LORD and he will
give you the desires
of your heart.**

Ps 37:4

Psalm 16:5-6: The LORD, my INHERITANCE

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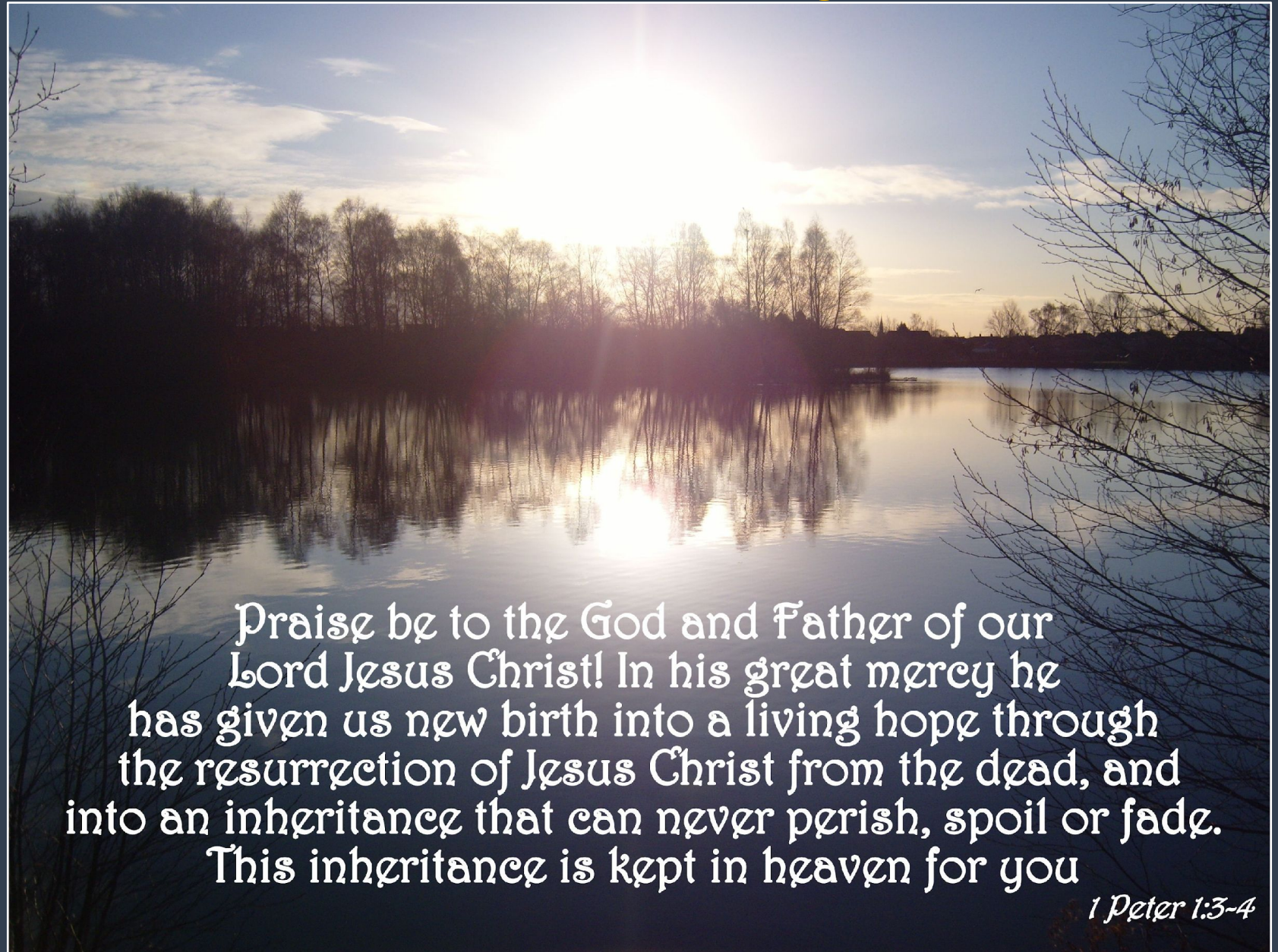
Psalm 16:5-6: The LORD, my INHERITANCE



You were marked in him
with a seal, the promised
Holy Spirit, who is a
deposit guaranteeing our
inheritance until the
redemption of those who
are God's possession --
to the praise of his glory.

Ephesians 1:13-14

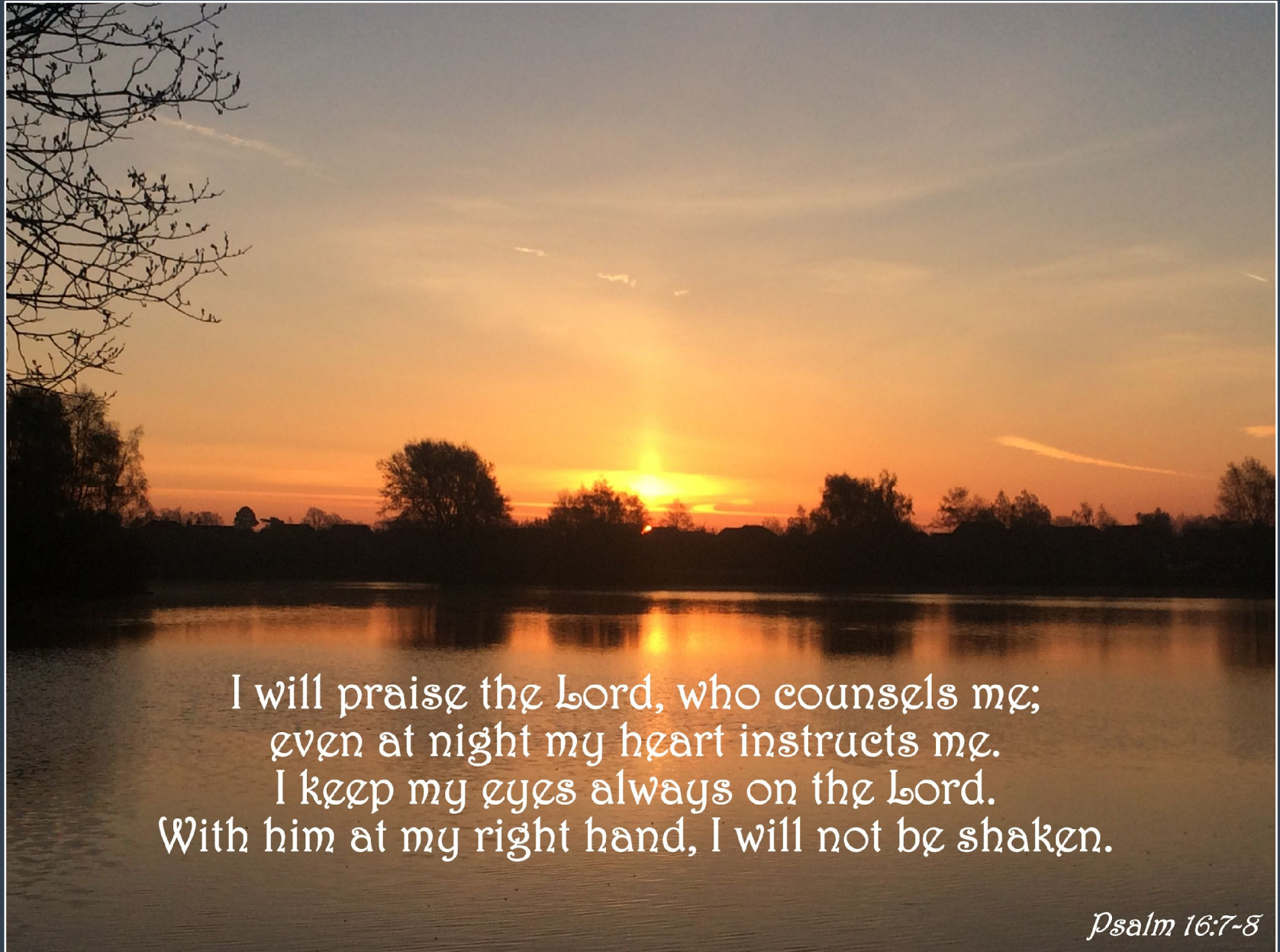
Psalm 16:5-6: The LORD, my INHERITANCE



Praise be to the God and Father of our
Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he
has given us new birth into a living hope through
the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and
into an inheritance that can never perish, spoil or fade.
This inheritance is kept in heaven for you

1 Peter 1:3-4

Psalm 16:7-8: The LORD, my GUIDE



I will praise the Lord, who counsels me;
even at night my heart instructs me.
I keep my eyes always on the Lord.
With him at my right hand, I will not be shaken.

Psalm 16:7-8

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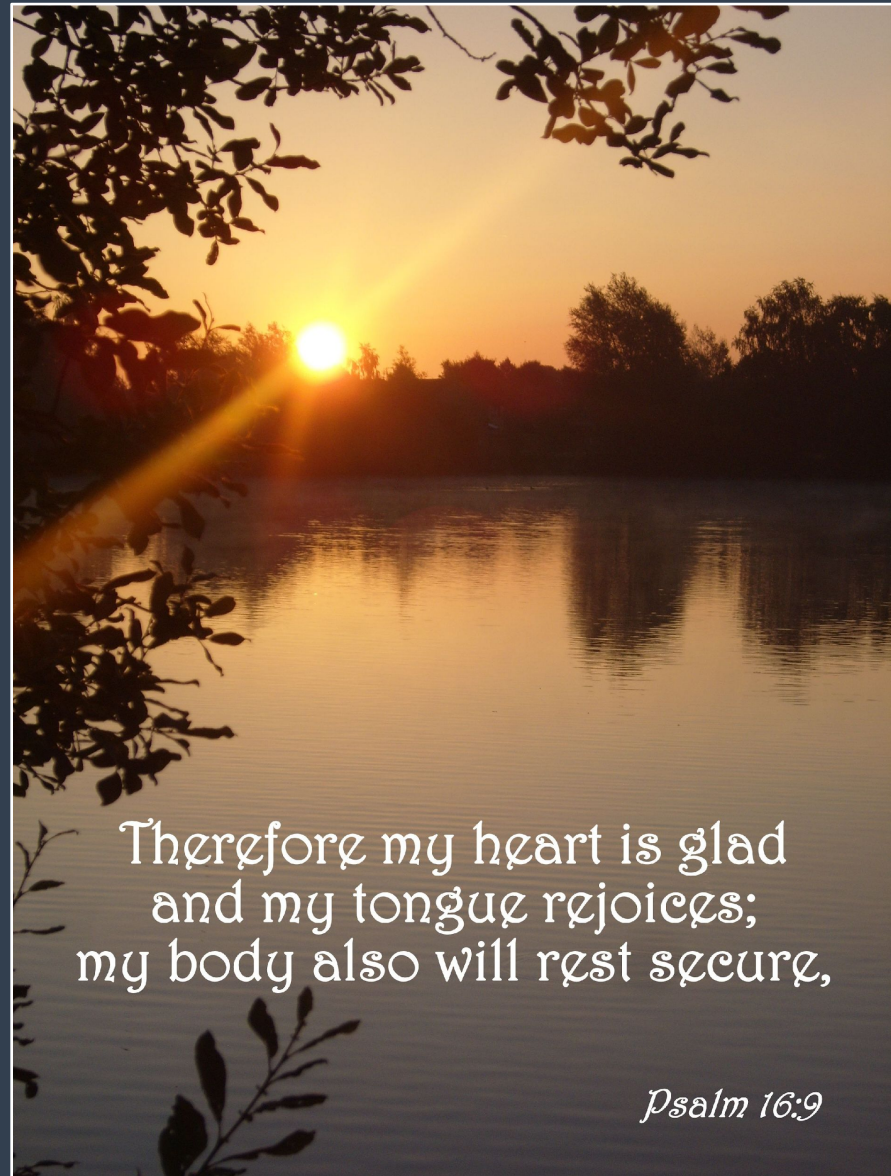
Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight.

Do not be wise in your own eyes; fear the Lord and shun evil. This will bring health to your body and nourishment to your bones.

Proverbs 3:5-8

Psalm 16:9-11: The LORD, my SECURITY

⁹ Therefore my heart is glad
and my tongue rejoices;
my body also will rest secure,
¹⁰ because you will not abandon
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Acts 2:25-28

*I saw the Lord always before me.
Because he is at my right hand,
I will not be shaken.
Therefore my heart is glad and
my tongue rejoices;
my body also will live in hope,
because you will not abandon
me to the grave,
nor will you let your Holy One
see decay.
You have made known to me
the paths of life;
you will fill me with joy
in your presence.*



I KEEP MY eyes always
ON THE LORD, with Him
AT MY RIGHT HAND
I will not be shaken.

Psalm 16:8

THE LORD – MY LORD

- My delight
- My inheritance
- My guide
- My security

COMMUNION



MATTHEW 26:26-29: THE LORD'S SUPPER

While they were eating, Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, 'Take and eat; this is my body.'

Then he took a cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, 'Drink from it, all of you. This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins.

I tell you, I will not drink from this fruit of the vine from now on until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father's kingdom.'

A PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Heavenly Father,

We come knowing all hearts are open to You.
Forgive our secret sins, forgive our habitual sins,
forgive our unnoticed sins;

Our sins of thought, of word, of deed,
All that we have done and not done.

Forgive our sins against ourselves,
our sins against others, our sins against You,
All where we have fallen short of Your Glory
and not done what you called us to do.

Forgive us for the sake of Jesus Christ,
Your Son, our Lord and Saviour. Amen.



**Take and eat this bread
in remembrance that Christ died for you,
and feed on him in your heart
by faith with thanksgiving.**



**The blood of our Lord Jesus Christ,
which was shed for you.
Drink this in remembrance that
Christ died for you, and be thankful.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION



PRAYER FOR THE WORLD

ALL

LORD, in your mercy, hear our prayer

PRAYER for the persecuted church – IRAQ

#11 on Open Doors World Watch List 2021



There are about 175,000 Christians in a population of 41.5 million. Persecution faced in public and private life has not changed significantly, but the level of violence faced by Christians has increased sharply in the past year. There have been more reports of Christians being attacked or killed and churches being attacked.

PRAYER for the persecuted church – IRAQ

Christians from a Muslim background often keep their faith secret, because of the pressure and threats they are likely to receive from extended family members, clan leaders and wider society.

Christian converts risk losing inheritance rights or the right to marry – and they are not allowed to marry Christians, as the law still considers them Muslim.

Islamic extremists remain active in Iraq, attacking and kidnapping Christians. So-called Islamic State (IS) are notorious for their appalling use of women, particularly the sexual enslavement of women from religious minorities. While IS no longer have a stranglehold over the country, the legacy of their attitudes linger, and many women are traumatised from their experiences.

The government also discriminates against Christians in various contexts, from the workplace to check points. Blasphemy laws can also be used against those who try to spread the gospel.

PRAYER for the persecuted church – IRAQ

After years of violence, an uncertain peace has come to Iraq – but 2020 saw recurrent violent protests and the instability in Iraq is a catalyst for the ongoing persecution of Christians.

This has only got worse during the Covid-19 pandemic.

Iraqi Christians take great comfort from their places of worship and the sense of community they get there, gathering despite persecution. When these closed because of the pandemic, Iraqi Christians found it hard.

“The believers are very sad; they want to come to church,” says Father Poulos, a priest in Bashiq. “But for now, we have to tell them to stay at home and follow the prayers through the livestream on the internet.”

Discipleship and fellowship have gradually been moving online, including courses run by Open Doors partners, so that Christians can meet, learn and share despite restrictions.

PRAYER for the persecuted church – IRAQ



PRAYER: Father God, thank You for Your eternal and total love for all Iraqis. Please bring peace and stability to a country that has suffered cycles of violence for so long. Show Iraqi Christians the truth of their identity in You and give them opportunities to share the good news of Jesus Christ with their families, communities and friends. Equip them to be the light of hope in their country. Amen.

PRAYER for the CHURCH and PERSONAL NEEDS

ALL

LORD, in your mercy, hear our prayer

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be Your name,
Your kingdom come,
Your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.

Lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are Yours
now and for ever.

Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS





MAY AT IBCP



TODAY Sunday 2	Psalm 16 & Communion Online at 11.00 IBCP FB page & website
Wednesday 5	19.00 Prayer Fellowship via ZOOM
Friday 7	19.00 Students' Fellowship via ZOOM
Sunday 9	Ezra 4: 'Opposition' Online at 11.00 IBCP FB page & website
Wednesday 12	19.00 Fellowship Group via ZOOM
Friday 14	19.00 Students' Fellowship via ZOOM 19.30 Friday Fellowship via ZOOM
Sunday 16	Ezra 6: 'Completion of the Temple' Online at 11.00 IBCP FB page & website



CENSUS

Count me in!

WHO?

Everyone who has a temporary or permanent residence
in the Czech Republic

HOW?

Online OR On Paper: until 11 May

HELP!

<https://www.scitani.cz/csu/scitani2021/home> or [scitani.cz](https://www.scitani.cz)

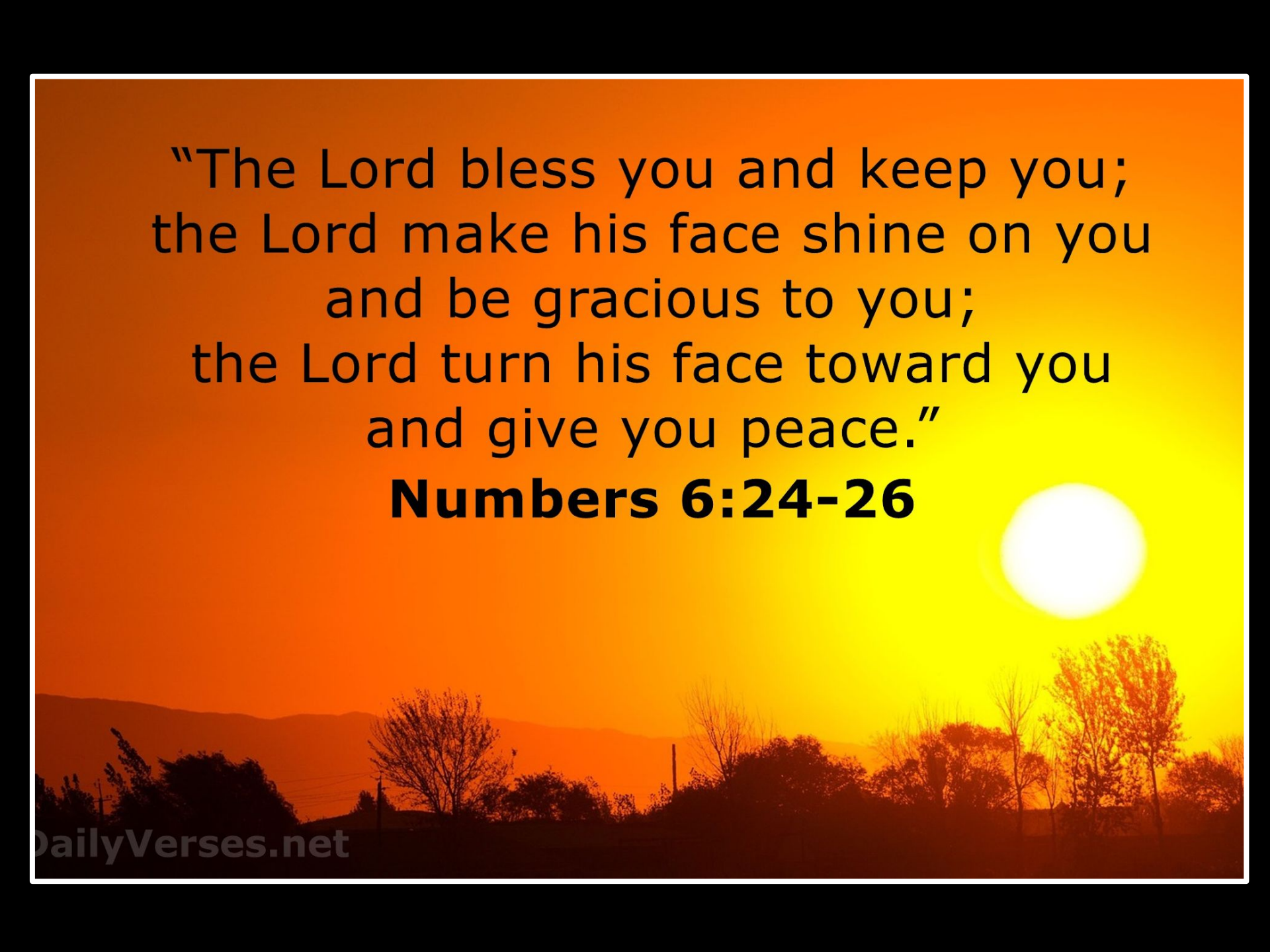
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FAREWELL, CHILOMBO





Benediction



"The Lord bless you and keep you;
the Lord make his face shine on you
and be gracious to you;
the Lord turn his face toward you
and give you peace."

Numbers 6:24-26



To
God
be the Glory!