

# NEW TESTAMENT

## LUKE 1:46-55

### *Canticle of Mary (Magnificat)*

- 46 My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord,  
 47 and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior,  
 48 for he has looked upon his handmaid in her lowliness;  
 for behold, from this day forward,  
 all generations will call me blessed.
- 49 For the Almighty has done great things for me,  
 and holy is his name.
- 50 His mercy is from age to age  
 for those who fear him.
- 51 He has made known the strength of his arm,  
 and has scattered the proud in their conceit of heart.
- 52 He has cast down the mighty from their thrones  
 and has exalted those who are lowly.
- 53 He has filled the hungry with good things,  
 and has sent the rich away empty.
- 54 He has helped his servant Israel,  
 mindful of his mercy,
- 55 even as he promised to our fathers,  
 to Abraham and his descendants forever.

## LUKE 1:68-79

### Canticle of Zechariah (*Benedictus*)

- 68 Blessed be the Lord God of Israel:  
 for he has visited his people and redeemed them;  
 69 he has raised up for us a horn of salvation  
 in the House of David his servant,  
 70 as he spoke through the mouth of his holy ones,  
 his prophets from ages past:  
  
 71 to grant salvation from our foes,  
 and from the hand of all who hate us,  
 72 showing mercy to our fathers,  
 remembering his holy covenant,  
 73 the oath he swore to Abraham our father;  
  
 74 to grant that, freed from the hand of our foes,  
 75 we may serve him without fear  
 in holiness and righteousness  
 all the days of our life.  
  
 76 And you, little child, will be called  
 the Prophet of the Most High,  
 for you will go before the Lord  
 to make ready his ways:  
 77 to grant knowledge of salvation to his people  
 by the forgiveness of their sins;  
  
 78 through the tender mercy of our God,  
 the Dawn from on high will visit us,  
 79 to shine on those who sit in darkness,  
 and those in the shadow of death;  
 to guide our feet into the way of peace.

## LUKE 2:29-32

### Canticle of Simeon (*Nunc dimittis*)

- <sup>29</sup> Now you dismiss your servant in peace,  
according to your word, O Master;
- <sup>30</sup> for my eyes have seen your salvation,
- <sup>31</sup> which you prepared in the sight of all the peoples:
- <sup>32</sup> a light for revelation to the nations,  
and the glory of your people Israel.

## EPHESIANS 1:3-10

- 3 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
who has blessed us in Christ  
with every spiritual blessing in the heavens;
- 4 just as he has chosen us in him  
before the foundation of the world  
to be holy and blameless before him in love.
- 5 He destined us for adoption  
to himself through Jesus Christ,  
in accord with the good pleasure of his will,
- 6 to the praise of his glorious grace,  
with which he favored us in the Beloved.
- 7 In him we have redemption through his blood,  
the forgiveness of transgressions,  
in accord with the riches of his grace
- 8 lavished on us in all wisdom and insight.
- 9 He has made known to us the mystery of his will  
in accord with his good pleasure,  
which he set forth in Christ as a plan,
- 10 a plan for the fullness of times,  
to recapitulate all things in him,  
things in heaven, and things on earth.

## PHILIPPIANS 2:6-11

- 6 Although he was in the form of God,  
Christ Jesus did not regard equality with God  
something to be grasped.
- 7 Rather he emptied himself,  
taking on the form of a slave  
being born in human likeness;
- and found to be in human form,  
8 he humbled himself,  
becoming obedient unto death,  
death upon a cross.
- 9 And for this, God highly exalted him,  
and bestowed upon him the name  
that is above every other name.
- 10 So that at the name of Jesus  
every knee shall bend  
in the heavens, on the earth, and under the earth,
- 11 and every tongue confess  
that Jesus Christ is Lord  
to the glory of God the Father.