

July 19, 2009

For Your Information ...

Guests! We are especially glad that you have chosen to worship with us this morning. It is our hope that worship is an encouragement to you and that you will have opportunity to return soon. Give us an opportunity to meet you today and introduce ourselves by staying around for coffee in the foyer after the service. Also, please assist us by **filling out the Guest Pad** when it is passed during worship.

Welcome Station: Located in the foyer, our Welcome Station is designed to assist you in understanding the ministry of Redeemer. Please help yourself to the purple guest packets, The Continuing Vision of Redeemer Presbyterian Church document, the Kerygma, our newsletter pronounced ke-rîg'me, and other materials.

Redeemer Presbyterian Church is a congregation of the Presbyterian Church in America (PCA) and a member of South Texas Presbytery. For more information about Redeemer Church visit: www.redeemersa.org. For more information about the Presbyterian Church in America visit: www.pcanet.org.

Community Groups: Community Groups are small fellowships of six to twelve people meeting every other week in homes, apartments and restaurants throughout San Antonio. They are the first place where we hope our people turn for applying the gospel to their lives. To find out how you can join a community group, please contact the church office at 930-4480 or a community group leader identified on the Making Contact page in the bulletin.

Book Table: The books found here are designed to assist you in understanding the Christian life. If you want to purchase a book, please fill out the appropriate form with money enclosed. Sermon CDs are also available; simply sign up at the table. Make all checks payable to Redeemer Presbyterian Church.

Sunday Schedule

9:15-9:25 a.m. **Prayer**
9:30-10:55 a.m. **Worship**
11:00 a.m. **No Christian Education**

Nurseries

Redeemer offers fully staffed nurseries for children ages newborn to 3 years of age. Redeemer encourages parents to utilize our *Training in the Pews* children's worship time during each service to better prepare your children, ages 3-5, for worship. All nurseries are at the Northeast end of the McAllister Fine Arts Center. (See map at **Welcome Station**.)

Infants I: newborn – 9 months

Infants II: 10 – 18 months

Toddler I: 19 months – 27 months

Toddler II: 28 months – 36 months

Training the Pews: 3 - 5 years

Christian Education

Toddler I (age 2)

Toddler II (age 3)

Pre K- K (age 4-5)

Primary I (ages 6-7)

Primary II (ages 8-9)

Junior (ages 10-11)

Youth (7th-12th grades)

Pastor's Forum (All ages)

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Redeemer Presbyterian Church

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Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

In consideration of other worshippers, please program all communication devices to silent mode. Parents, nurseries are available during the worship service for children ages 6 weeks to 3 years. Babies and toddlers are also welcome in the auditorium. The balcony is available for nursing mothers; you may enter the balcony through the side door upstairs. The service is broadcast in the lobby area immediately outside the auditorium for the convenience of parents whose children become restless during worship.

Reflection & Preparation

“Talking to God, I felt, is always better than talking about God; those pious conversations - there's always a touch of self-approval about them.” Therese of Lisieux

“When will we encounter God? We can't predict. How will it change us when we do? We can't explain. But we remember moments when the search led us not to find, but to be found. We all know odd moments of epiphany that shake us to our bones with his presence and his words for us. And those moments lead us not only to trust him (a little bit more), but they serve as the foundation for our growing sense of who we are and who we are meant to become.” Dan B. Allender

Welcome and Announcements

The Rev. Brandon S. Eggar

Prelude

Call to Worship

Mr. Eggar

Minister: For behold, I create new heavens and a new earth, and the former things shall not be remembered or come into mind.

People: But be glad and rejoice forever in that which I create; for behold, I created Jerusalem to be a joy, and her people to be a gladness.

Minister: I will rejoice in Jerusalem and be glad in my people; no more shall be heard in it the sound of weeping and the cry of distress.

***Hymn of Adoration**

Holy, Holy, Holy!



1. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord - God Al - might - y!
2. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! All the saints a - dore thee,
3. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Though the dark-ness hide thee,
4. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord - God Al - might - y!

Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to thee.
cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea;
though the eye of sin - ful man thy glo - ry may not see,
All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and might - y!
cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim fall - ing down be - fore thee,
on - ly thou art ho - ly; there is none be - side thee
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and might - y!

God in three Per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!
who wert, and art, and ev - er - more shalt be.
per - fect in pow'r, in love, and pur - i - ty!
God in three Per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!

Words by Reginald Heber; Music by John B. Dykes

***Prayer of Invocation**

Mr. Eggar

***Affirmation of Faith**

The Westminster Shorter Catechism[‡], Q/A. # 1, 2

Minister: What is the chief end of man?

All: Man's chief end is to glorify God, and to enjoy him forever.

Minister: What rule has God given to direct us how we may glorify and enjoy him?

All: The Word of God, which is contained in the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments, is the only rule to direct us how we may glorify and enjoy him.

[‡] The Westminster Shorter Catechism, along with the Westminster Confession of Faith and the Westminster Larger Catechism, serve together as the statement of faith for Redeemer Presbyterian Church and the PCA. Formulated in the 17th century England, they are a second level of authority under the Scriptures and serve to explain what we believe to be the system of doctrine revealed in the Bible.

***Song of Praise**

The Steadfast Love of the Lord

The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases.

His mercies never come to an end.

They are new every morning,

New every morning.

Great is Thy faithfulness, O Lord.

Great is Thy faithfulness. (repeat)

Words and music by Robert Davidson

The Law of God

Mr. Matt Beham

Minister: Circumcise your hearts, therefore, and do not be stiff-necked any longer. For the LORD your God is God of gods and Lord of lords, the great God, mighty and awesome, who shows no partiality and accepts no bribes. He defends the cause of the fatherless and the widow, and loves the alien, giving him food and clothing. And you are to love those who are aliens, for you yourselves were aliens in Egypt. Deuteronomy 10:16-19

Public Confession

Minister: Let us confess our sins together.

All: Behold, the Lord's hand is not so short, that it cannot save, or his ear dull, that it cannot hear; but our iniquities have separated us from God and our sins have hidden his face from us so that he does not hear. Our mouths are filled with anger, our lips are quick to speak lies and our eyes are filled with illicit and unnecessary desires. Our feet are swift to run to evil and our thoughts are the thoughts of iniquity. We have lost our way and are far from the way of peace. The roads we travel are crooked and desperate. We hope for light, but behold darkness. Lord, only you can intercede and bring health to us. Only your strong arm can bring us salvation. May the Redeemer of Zion save us.

Prayer adapted from Isaiah 59:1-12

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon and Comfort

Romans 10:10-11

Minister: For the Scripture says, "Everyone who believes in him will not be put to shame." For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved.

*Song of Renewal

The Love of Christ Is Rich and Free

The love of Christ is rich and free;
Fixed on His own eternally;
Nor earth, nor hell, can it remove;
Long as He lives, His own He'll love.

His loving heart engaged to be
Their everlasting Surety;
'Twas love that took their cause in hand,
And love maintains it to the end.

Chorus: Love cannot from its post withdraw;
Nor death, nor hell, nor sin, nor law,
Can turn the Surety's heart away;
He'll love His own to endless day.

Love has redeemed His sheep with blood;
And love will bring them safe to God;
Love calls them all from death to life;
And love will finish all their strife.

He loves through every changing scene,
Nor aught from Him can Zion wean;
Not all the wanderings of her heart
Can make His love for her depart.

(Repeat chorus)

At death, beyond the grave, He'll love;
In endless bliss, His own shall prove
The blazing glory of that love
Which never could from them remove.
Which never could from them remove.

Words by William Gadsby; Music by Sandra McCracken

***Scripture Reading**

Ms. Bebe Camp and Ms. Heather Shimek

Isaiah 41:8-16
Ephesians 6:10-18

Reader: The Word of the Lord!

People: **Thanks be to God!**

**Prayers for Redeemer Church,
San Antonio & the World**

Mr. Eggar

***The Greeting of Peace**

Children, ages **three through five**, are dismissed through the side door to your right when facing the stage to *TRAINING IN THE PEWS*. After the sermon, parents will meet their children in the back of the auditorium so that the children can join their families for communion.

Minister: Let the peace of Christ dwell in your hearts. To this peace we are called as members of a single body. The peace of Christ be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

The Sermon

Mr. Eggar

"Helpless, Yet Hopeful"

2 Chronicles 20:1-30

A Word About Communion at Redeemer:

This is a time for all people to seek the Lord. For Christians, Communion (also called The Lord’s Supper or The Eucharist, which means ‘thanksgiving’) is a time to meet with their Savior by faith, to be strengthened and renewed by Him as they eat bread and drink wine. All baptized Christians who trust in Christ alone as their Savior and Lord, belong to a church that embraces the gospel, are at peace with their fellow neighbor, and seek strength and grace to live more faithfully to Christ, are invited to participate. If you are not a Christian, or if you are not prepared to share in this meal, we encourage you to spend this time in prayer and to consider more deeply your relationship to Jesus Christ. We also ask that children who have not yet publicly professed their faith in Christ refrain from partaking until doing so.

The Great Thanksgiving

Minister: The Lord be with you.

People: And with your spirit.

Minister: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Minister: Let us give thanks to our Lord God.

People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

Minister: It is indeed good, right, and our delight that we should at all times and in all places give thanks unto You, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God. Therefore, with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious Name, evermore praising You and singing:

All:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly is the Lord of hosts;
 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly is the Lord of hosts! The
 whole earth is full of His glo - ry, the whole earth is full of His glo - ry, the
 whole earth is full of His glo - ry; Ho - ly is the Lord!

Words from Isaiah 6:3; Music by Nolene Prince

Prayer of Consecration

Words of Institution

Minister: Let us proclaim the mystery of the faith:

All: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again! Hallelujah!

Minister: The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

Holy Communion

If seated in the front outer sections, please exit toward the center aisles to partake, returning to your seat by the outer aisles. If seated in the front center section, upon usher's direction starting from back row, exit to the aisle closest to you. Please use the outer aisles to return to your seats. If seated in the back section, upon usher's direction, please exit your row to the left and return to your row from the right. Please use our communion time to sing and/or meditate as communion is being served. Redeemer serves wine for communion. The outer circle of the tray contains grape juice for those desiring it. After partaking, place your cup in the baskets provided on the aisles.

Prayers for Those Not Communing

Lord Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth and the life. If what you claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and open to me the reality of who you are. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following you as I consider the reasons for doing so. Give me an understanding for you that is coherent, convincing, and leads to the life that you promise. Amen. **Prayer of Searching for Truth**

Lord, Jesus, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever before believed, but through you, I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared to hope. I thank you for paying my debt, bearing my punishment on the cross and offering forgiveness and new life. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive you as my savior. Amen. **Prayer of Believing on Jesus**

Lord, Jesus, grant that I may see in you the fulfillment of all my needs, and may turn from every false satisfaction to feed on you, the true and living bread. Enable me to lay aside the sin that clings so closely to me, and run with perseverance the race that you have set before me, looking only to you, the pioneer and champion of my faith. Amen. **Prayer of Struggling Against Sin**

Songs of Communion

My Jesus, I Love Thee

1. My Je - sus, I love___ thee, I know thou art mine; for
2. I love thee be - cause___ thou hast first lov - ed me. and
3. I'll love thee in life,___ I will love thee in death; and
4. In man - sions of glo - ry and end - less de - light, I'll

thee all the fol - lies of sin I re - sign. My
pur - chased my par - don on Cal - va - ry's tree. I
praise thee as long___ as thou lend - est me breath; and
ev - er a - dore___ thee in heav - en so bright; I'll

gra - cious Re - deem - er, my Sav - ior art thou;___ if
love thee for wear - ing the thorns on thy brow;___ if
say, when the death - dew lies cold___ on my brow;___ if
sing with the glit - ter - ing crown on my brow;___ if

ev - er I loved___ thee, my Je - sus, 'tis now.
ev - er I loved___ thee, my Je - sus, 'tis now.
ev - er I loved___ thee, my Je - sus, 'tis now.
ev - er I loved___ thee, my Je - sus, 'tis now.

Words by William R. Feathersone; Music by Adoniram J. Gordon

You Are My King

I'm forgiven, because You were forsaken;
I'm accepted, You were condemned;
I'm alive and well, Your Spirit is within me,
Because you died and rose again. (Repeat)

Chorus:

Amazing love, how can it be
That You my king would die for me?
Amazing love, I know it's true,
And it's my joy to honor You.
In all I do I honor You.

You are my king. You are my king.
Jesus, You are my king. Jesus, You are my king. (Repeat Chorus)

Words and music by Billy James Foote

Isaiah 43

When you pass through the waters, I will be with you,
And the waves will not overcome you.
Do not fear, for I have redeemed you,
I have called you by name, you are mine.

Chorus:

For I am the Lord your God. (*I am the Lord your God*),
I am the Lord your God. (*I am,*)
The Holy One of Israel, your Savior. (Repeat)

I am the Lord; (*do not fear*).
I am the Lord; (*do not fear*).
I am the Lord; (*do not fear*).
I am the Lord; (*do not fear*).

When you walk through the fire, you'll not be burned,
And the flames will not consume you.
Do not fear, for I have redeemed you,
I have called you by name, you are mine. (*Repeat chorus*)

The Offering

Hymn of Blessing

Lead On, O King Eternal

1. Lead on, O King e - ter - nal, the day of march has come; hence-
2. Lead on, O King e - ter - nal, till sin's fierce war shall cease, and
3. Lead on, O King e - ter - nal: we fol - low, not with fears; for
forth in fields of con - quest thy tents shall be our home: through
ho - li - ness shall whis - per the sweet a - men of peace; for
glad - ness breaks like morn - ing where - e'er thy face ap - pears; thy
days of prep - a - ra - tion thy grace has made us strong, — and
not with swords loud clash - ing, nor roll of stir - ring drums, — but
cross is lift - ed o'er us; we jour - ney in its light: — the
now, O King e - ter - nal, we lift our bat - tle song.
deeds of love and mer - cy, the heav'n - ly king - dom comes.
crown a - waits the con - quest; lead on, O God of might.

Words by Ernest W. Shurtleff; Music by Henry Smart

***Benediction**

Mr. Eggar

Minister: May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all. You may go in peace.

Postlude

**The Congregation Stands*

*Senior Pastor: Rev. Thomas C. Gibbs
Associate Pastor: Rev. Brandon S. Eggar
Assistant Pastor: Rev. Victor R. Martinez
Director of Music Ministries: Dr. Brent M. Watkins*

*Musicians: Brent Watkins, piano; Caleb Smith, guitar;
Jessica Watkins, violin; Laura Sanders, flute;
Song Leader: Caleb Smith, Jennifer Smith*

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REDEEMER Highlights..... July 19, 2009

This Week

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| Today | 11:20 a.m. | Sr. High Youth Mission Trip: Team leaves immediately after church today! |
| Friday | 9:30- 11:30 a.m. | Redeemer Park Day: In Brackenridge Park; Call Brandi Rickels, 826-2628. |

Upcoming Events

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| July 30 | 7:00 p.m. | Women's Fellowship: At Clay Casa, 502 Embassy Oaks, Suite 107, 78258. Come enjoy a night of fellowship and painting. Cost will be the price of the item you select plus \$5 to paint. Clay Casa will fire the items for free. Please RSVP to Mary Alice MacDiarmid at 326-2145 by the 24 th . |
| August 5 | 7:00 p.m. | Young Professionals 1st Wednesday: At the Harrisons' home, 110 La Jara Blvd, 78209. Call 930-4480. |
| August 11 | 7:00 p.m. | Newcomer's Dessert with Tom and Tara: At their home, 219 Arcadia Pl., 78209. Get to know the Gibbs' family and more fully Redeemer's vision. |
| August 21-22 | | Intro to Redeemer Class: On Friday night, Aug. 21 st , from 6:00-9:30 p.m. and Sat. morning, Aug. 22 nd , from 8:30-noon, Redeemer will hold its membership class. Call 930-4480 to sign up. |
| August 30 | 5:00-7:00 p.m. | Redeemer in the Park: Redeemer will kick off the fall with a Sunday evening fellowship on the grounds of San Pedro Park. |

Making Contact

Administrative.....Harriet Peavy, Heather Shimek, 930-4480
Book Table/ Media Brandon Eggar 930-4480
Children's Ministries.....Jill Higey, 930-4480
Clerk of the Session.....Brandon Eggar, 930-4480
Community Life & MembershipBrandon Eggar, 930-4480
Financial (church)..... Bob George, 822- 2016
Local Missions.....James Sedgwick, 954-2698
Men's Ministries.....Jeff Judson, 822-1292; Henry Sauer, 310-6542
Mercy/ Financial Aid.....Jake Gray, 884-4729
Mission, Cultural Engagement & OutreachVictor Martinez, 930-4480
Music Ministry.....Brent Watkins, 785-0912
Pastoral Care.....Tom Gibbs, 930-4480
Reformed University Fellowship (RUF).....Justin Clement, 930-4480
Training in the Pews.....Ralph and Debbie Shay, 488-2561
Usher/ Greeter Coordination.....Jason Register, 829-0747
Women's Ministries.....Ann Bingham, 930-4503; Tara Gibbs, 930-4974
World Missions.....Elizabeth Bright, 995-3600
Worship/ Event Assistance.....Ken Harrison, 828-8864
Young Professionals Community.....Brandon Eggar, 930-4480
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Redeemer Prayer Requests.....930-4480, ext. 330

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Serving Today

Nursery Greeter: Trisha Hadler

Infants 1 (9:30): Lisa Shay, Milby Hartwell

Toddlers 1 & 2 (9:30): Jessica & Nicole Castano, Amy & Elise Miller

Training in the Pews: Will & Carter Greendyke, Dean & Laura Hobbs

Greeters: Chris & Laura Sanders, Steve & Carolyn Browne, Brian & Abby Fishero

Worship Set-up/Take Down: Jason Smith, Jeff Brouillard, Steve Browne, Brian Casey, Marc Hadler

Communion Set-up/Take Down: Bekah Stolhandske, Amanda Brack

Nursery Set-up/Take Down: Larry Rickels, Laxton Family

Cookies: Laura Sedgwick, Trisha Hadler

Serving Next Week

Nursery Greeter: Lizette Crosson

Infants 1 (9:30): David & Amy Flores

Toddlers 1 & 2 (9:30): Walt & Annie Mays, Toby & Krisanne Stolhandske

Training in the Pews: Diane Deng, Josh & Carrie Alley

Greeters: Ken & Barbara Harrison, Ken-David & Melinda Masur, Andy & Kelly Muck

Worship Set-up/Take Down: Jason Smith, Manny Alaniz, Greg Chaney, Quincy

Davidson, Marc Hadler

Communion Set-up/Take Down: Heather Shimek, Sara Ames

Nursery Set-up/Take Down: Larry Rickels, Nathan Anderson, Josh Brack

Cookies: Tara Gibbs, Jill Higey

Redeemer Staff

Tom Gibbs, Senior Pastor
Brandon Eggar, Associate Pastor
Victor Martinez, Assistant Pastor
Justin Clement, RUF Pastor at Trinity
Brent Watkins, Music Ministries Director
Jill Higey, Children's Ministries Director
Matt Beham, Youth Director
Harriet Peavy, Office Administrator
Heather Shimek, Assistant Administrator

Stewardship Corner

Actual Giving (YTD)	\$448,503
Budgeted Expenses (YTD)	\$489,556
Actual Expenses (YTD)	\$463,464
Actual Ahead (Behind)	(\$ 14,961)

YTD includes all activity for the fiscal year, which begins January 1.

Community Groups

Community Groups will resume in the Fall. For more information contact Brandon Eggar at 930-4480.

“Helpless, Yet Hopeful”

¹After this the Moabites and Ammonites, and with them some of the Meunites, came against Jehoshaphat for battle. ²Some men came and told Jehoshaphat, “A great multitude is coming against you from Edom, from beyond the sea; and, behold, they are in Hazazon-tamar” (that is, Engedi). ³Then Jehoshaphat was afraid and set his face to seek the LORD, and proclaimed a fast throughout all Judah. ⁴And Judah assembled to seek help from the LORD; from all the cities of Judah they came to seek the LORD. ⁵And Jehoshaphat stood in the assembly of Judah and Jerusalem, in the house of the LORD, before the new court, ⁶and said, “O LORD, God of our fathers, are you not God in heaven? You rule over all the kingdoms of the nations. In your hand are power and might, so that none is able to withstand you. ⁷Did you not, our God, drive out the inhabitants of this land before your people Israel, and give it forever to the descendants of Abraham your friend? ⁸And they have lived in it and have built for you in it a sanctuary for your name, saying, ⁹‘If disaster comes upon us, the sword, judgment, or pestilence, or famine, we will stand before this house and before you—for your name is in this house—and cry out to you in our affliction, and you will hear and save.’ ¹⁰And now behold, the men of Ammon and Moab and Mount Seir, whom you would not let Israel invade when they came from the land of Egypt, and whom they avoided and did not destroy— ¹¹behold, they reward us by coming to drive us out of your possession, which you have given us to inherit. ¹²O our God, will you not execute judgment on them? For we are powerless against this great horde that is coming against us. We do not know what to do, but our eyes are on you.” ¹³Meanwhile all Judah stood before the LORD, with their little ones, their wives, and their children. ¹⁴And the Spirit of the LORD came upon Jahaziel the son of Zechariah, son of Benaiah, son of Jeiel, son of Mattaniah, a Levite of the sons of Asaph, in the midst of the assembly. ¹⁵And he said, “Listen, all Judah and inhabitants of Jerusalem and King Jehoshaphat: Thus says the LORD to you, ‘Do not be afraid and do not be dismayed at this great horde, for the battle is not yours but God’s. ¹⁶Tomorrow go down against them. Behold, they will come up by the ascent of Ziz. You will find them at the end of the valley, east of the wilderness of Jeruel. ¹⁷You will not need to fight in this battle. Stand firm, hold your position, and see the salvation of the LORD on your behalf, O Judah and Jerusalem.’ Do not be afraid and do not be dismayed. Tomorrow go out against them, and the LORD will be with you.” ¹⁸Then Jehoshaphat bowed his head with his face to the ground, and all Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem fell down before the LORD, worshiping the LORD. ¹⁹And the Levites, of the Kohathites and the Korahites, stood up to praise the LORD, the God of Israel, with a very loud voice. ²⁰And they rose early in the morning and went out into the wilderness of Tekoa. And when they went out, Jehoshaphat stood and said, “Hear me, Judah and inhabitants of Jerusalem! Believe in the LORD your God, and you will be established; believe his prophets, and you will succeed.” ²¹And when he had taken counsel with the people, he appointed those who were to sing to the LORD and praise him in holy attire, as they went before the army, and say, “Give thanks to the LORD, for his steadfast love endures forever.” ²²And when they began to sing and praise, the LORD set an ambush against the men of Ammon, Moab, and Mount Seir, who had come against Judah, so that they were routed. ²³For the men of Ammon and Moab rose against the inhabitants of Mount Seir, devoting them to destruction, and when they had made an end of the inhabitants of Seir, they all helped to destroy one another. ²⁴When Judah came to the watchtower of the wilderness, they looked toward the horde, and behold, there were dead bodies lying on the ground; none had escaped. ²⁵When Jehoshaphat and his people came to take their spoil, they found among them, in great numbers, goods, clothing, and precious things, which they took for themselves until they could carry no more. They were three days in taking the spoil, it was so much. ²⁶On the fourth day they assembled in the Valley of Beracah, for there they blessed the LORD. Therefore the name of that place has been called the Valley of Beracah to this day. ²⁷Then they returned, every man of Judah and Jerusalem, and Jehoshaphat at their head, returning to Jerusalem with joy, for the LORD had made them rejoice over their enemies. ²⁸They came to Jerusalem with harps and lyres and trumpets, to the house of the LORD. ²⁹And the fear of God came on all the kingdoms of the countries when they heard that the LORD had fought against the enemies of Israel. ³⁰So the realm of Jehoshaphat was quiet, for his God gave him rest all around.

2 Chronicles 20:1-30