



Catholic Bible Institute of Southern Arizona
Diocese of Tucson - CBISA Year III, 2020-2021

SEPTEMBER 12, 2020

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- 8:45 AM Sign-in to ZOOM Session
- 9:00 **Welcome & Opening Prayer** (*CBISA Leadership Team*)
Announcements – Registrations – Textbooks
- 9:15 **Presentations** (Fr. Felix)
- Year 3 Overview: Purpose, Adult Faith Formation, Team Projects
 - Catholic Approach to Bible-Study/Scripture-Sharing Groups
 - How to Read the Bible: Various Plans; Scripture Sharing Resources
 - Parish Structures: Personnel & Ministries & Facilities
 - Begin Organization of Spring Team Projects
- (with two 10-minute breaks, starting around 10:00 and 11:00)
- 12:00 **Lunch Break**
- 1:00 PM **Lectio Divina**
- Introduction to *Lectio Divina*
 - Sample *Lectio Divina* Session
- 2:00 Evaluation & Discussion of *Lectio Divina* Process
- 2:30 **Final Announcements and Closing Prayer**
- 2:45 Conclusion



LECTIO DIVINA
Reading the Scripture
Reflecting on the Meaning
Responding through Prayer
Resting in God
Responding in Action

Lectio Meditatio Oratio Contemplatio Operatio

CBISA – Sept. 12, 2020 – Opening Prayer

SONG: *Your Words Are Spirit and Life* (Bernadette Farrell) – Verses 1 & 2 (*next page*)

READING: Joshua 1:1-8

After Moses, the servant of the LORD, had died, the LORD said to Moses' aide Joshua, son of Nun:
"Moses my servant is dead. So now, you and the whole people with you, prepare to cross the Jordan to the land that I will give the Israelites. Every place where you set foot I have given you, as I promised Moses. All the land of the Hittites, from the wilderness and the Lebanon east to the great river Euphrates and west to the Great Sea, will be your territory. No one can withstand you as long as you live. As I was with Moses, I will be with you: I will not leave you nor forsake you. Be strong and steadfast, so that you may give this people possession of the land I swore to their ancestors that I would give them. Only be strong and steadfast, being careful to observe the entire law which Moses my servant enjoined on you. Do not swerve from it either to the right or to the left, that you may succeed wherever you go. Do not let this book of the law depart from your lips. Recite it by day and by night, that you may carefully observe all that is written in it; then you will attain your goal; then you will succeed."

The Word of the Lord. *All: Thanks be to God.*

RESPONSORIAL: Psalm 119

Refrain/All: *Blessed those whose way is blameless, who walk by the law of the Lord*

Women: Blessed are those whose way is blameless / who walk by the law of the Lord.
Blessed those who keep God's testimonies / who seek him with all their heart. (*Refrain*)

Men: They do no wrong / they walk in God's ways.
You have given them the command / to observe your precepts with care. (*Refrain*)

Women: May my ways be firm / in the observance of your statutes!
Then I will not be ashamed / to ponder all your commandments. (*Refrain*)

Men: I will praise you with sincere heart / as I study your righteous judgments.
I will observe your statutes / do not leave me all alone. (*Refrain*)

INTERCESSIONS

That the Church may grow in unity and remember Christ's call to love and serve one another, including the challenge to love our enemies and to serve the poorest among us. We pray to the Lord...

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

That all world leaders may act with honesty, integrity, and compassion to those whom Jesus loves—especially the poor and alien, orphans and widows. We pray to the Lord...

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

That God continue to bless our Catholic Bible Institute community, so that we may give witness by living in a way consistent with the faith we proclaim. We pray to the Lord...

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

That God bless our families with stronger bonds of friendship, love, and peace. We pray to the Lord...

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

COLLECT PRAYER

Leader: Merciful Lord, inspire us to read your Scriptures and to meditate upon them day and night. We beg you to give us real understanding of what we need, so that we in turn may put its precepts into practice. Yet, we know that understanding and good intentions are worthless, unless they are rooted in your graceful love. So we ask that the words of Scripture may be not just signs on a page, but also channels of grace into our heart. *All: Amen.*

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SONG: *Your Words Are Spirit and Life* – Verse 3 (*next page*)

YOUR WORDS ARE SPIRIT AND LIFE (PSALM 19)

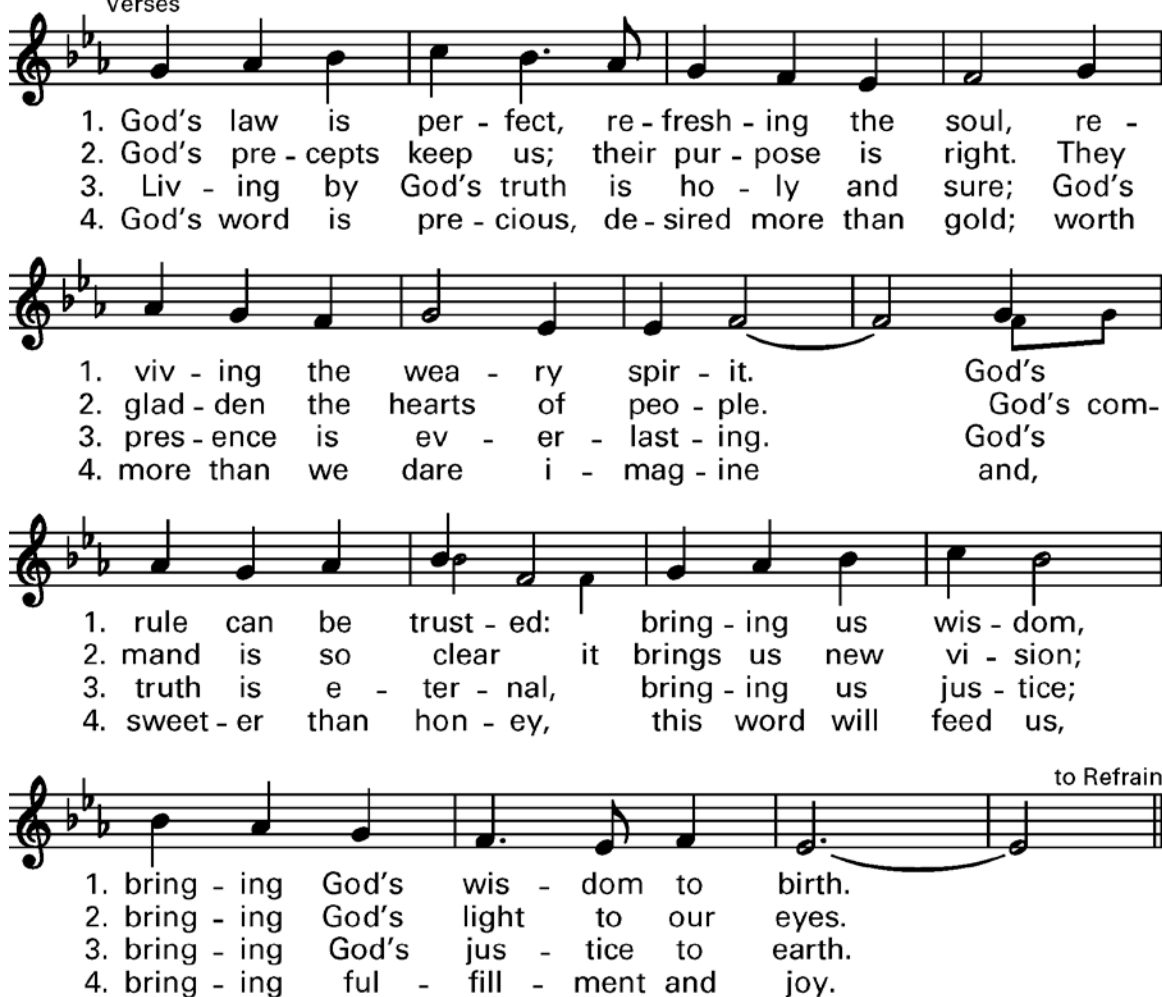
Bernadette Farrell

Refrain



Your words are spir - it and life, O Lord: rich - er than
gold, strong - er than death. Your words are spir - it and
life, O Lord; life ev - er - last - ing.

Verses



1. God's law is per - fect, re - fresh - ing the soul, re -
2. God's pre - cepts keep us; their pur - pose is right. They
3. Liv - ing by God's truth is ho - ly and sure; God's
4. God's word is pre - cious, de - sired more than gold; worth

1. viv - ing the wea - ry spir - it. God's
2. glad - den the hearts of peo - ple. God's com -
3. pres - ence is ev - er - last - ing. God's
4. more than we dare i - mag - ine and,

1. rule can be trust - ed: bring - ing us wis - dom,
2. mand is so clear it brings us new vi - sion;
3. truth is e - ter - nal, bring - ing us jus - tice;
4. sweet - er than hon - ey, this word will feed us,

to Refrain

1. bring - ing God's wis - dom to birth.
2. bring - ing God's light to our eyes.
3. bring - ing God's jus - tice to earth.
4. bring - ing ful - fill - ment and joy.

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CBISA – Sept. 12, 2020 – Closing Prayer

READING: Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8

Reader: A reading from the Book of Deuteronomy.

Moses said to the people: “Now, Israel, hear the statutes and decrees which I am teaching you to observe, that you may live, and may enter in and take possession of the land which the LORD, the God of your fathers, is giving you. In your observance of the commandments of the LORD, your God, which I enjoin upon you, you shall not add to what I command you nor subtract from it. Observe them carefully, for thus will you give evidence of your wisdom and intelligence to the nations, who will hear of all these statutes and say, ‘This great nation is truly a wise and intelligent people.’ For what great nation is there that has gods so close to it as the LORD, our God, is to us whenever we call upon him? Or what great nation has statutes and decrees that are as just as this whole law which I am setting before you today?”

The Word of the Lord. **All: Thanks be to God.**

(Pause for a minute, for silent reflection on the reading.)

RESPONSE: Psalm 119

ALL: Lovers of your law have much peace; / for them there is no stumbling block.

Men: Seven times a day I praise you, / because your judgments are righteous.

Women: I look for your salvation, LORD, / and I fulfill your commandments.

Men: I observe your testimonies; / I love them very much.

Women: I observe your precepts and testimonies; / all my ways are before you.

ALL: Lovers of your law have much peace; / for them there is no stumbling block.

PRAYERS of THANKSGIVING

(Speak aloud some very brief prayers of gratitude for anything you wish to share with us all.)

CONCLUDING PRAYER

ALL: Let your Scriptures be my chaste delight...

O Lord, perfect me and reveal those pages to me!

See, your voice is my joy. Give me what I love...

May the inner secrets of your words be laid open to me when I knock.

This I beg by our Lord Jesus Christ,

in whom are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge.

These are the treasures I seek in your books. Amen.

St. Augustine, Confessions

CLOSING SONG: *Your Words Are Spirit and Life* – Verse 4 (from Morning Prayer)