

1st Scripture for April 14, 2024

Psalm 62:1-7

For God alone my soul waits in silence;

From him comes my salvation.

He alone is my rock and my salvation,

My fortress; I shall never be shaken.

How long will you assail a person,

Will you batter your victim, all of you,

As you would a leaning wall, a tottering fence?

Their only plan is to bring down a person of prominence.

They take pleasure in falsehood; they bless with their mouths,

But inwardly curse.

For God alone my soul waits in silence,

For my hope is from him.

He alone is my rock and salvation,

My fortress; I shall not be shaken.

On God rests my deliverance and my honor;

My mighty rock, my refuge is in God.

*This is the Word of the Lord, **Thanks be to God***

Second Scripture for April 14, 2024

1 Kings 19:11-18

He said (God said), “Go out and stand on the mountain before the LORD, for the LORD is about to pass by.” Now there was a great wind, so strong that it was splitting mountains and breaking rocks in pieces before the LORD, but the LORD was not in the wind; and after the wind an earthquake, but the LORD was not in the earthquake; ¹²and after the earthquake a fire, but the LORD was not in the fire; and after the fire a sound of sheer silence. ¹³When Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. Then there came a voice to him that said, “What are you doing here, Elijah?” ¹⁴He answered, “I have been very zealous for the LORD, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away.” ¹⁵Then the LORD said to him, “Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus; when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael as king over Aram. ¹⁶Also you shall anoint Jehu son of Nimshi as king over Israel; and you shall anoint Elisha son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah as prophet in your place. ¹⁷Whoever escapes from the sword of Hazael, Jehu shall kill; and whoever escapes from the sword of Jehu, Elisha shall kill. ¹⁸Yet I will leave seven thousand in Israel, all the knees that have not bowed to Baal, and every mouth that has not kissed him.”

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