

Archdiocese of St. Louis Office of Sacred Worship Lectio Divina Friday of the Twenty-fifth Week in Ordinary Time Year I Lectionary 453:Hg 2:1-9/Ps 43:1, 2, 3, 4/Mk 10:45/Lk 9:18-22

Read the following passage four times.

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- The third reading, pause for 2-3 minutes reflecting on "Where does the content of this reading touch my life today?"
 Notice what thoughts, feelings, and reflections arise within you. Let the words resound in your heart. What might God be asking of you through the scripture? In a group setting, you can share your reflection or simply pass.
- The fourth reading, pause for 2-3 minutes reflecting on "*I believe that God wants me to today/this week.*"
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Reading

Hg 2:1-9

In the second year of King Darius, on the twenty-first day of the seventh month, the word of the LORD came through the prophet Haggai: Tell this to the governor of Judah, Zerubbabel, son of Shealtiel, and to the high priest Joshua, son of Jehozadak, and to the remnant of the people:

Who is left among you that saw this house in its former glory? And how do you see it now? Does it not seem like nothing in your eyes? But now take courage, Zerubbabel, says the LORD, and take courage, Joshua, high priest, son of Jehozadak, and take courage, all you people of the land, says the LORD, and work! For I am with you, says the LORD of hosts. This is the pact that I made with you when you came out of Egypt, and my spirit continues in your midst; do not fear! For thus says the LORD of hosts: One moment yet, a little while, and I will shake the heavens and the earth, the sea and the dry land. I will shake all the nations, and the treasures of all the nations will come in, and I will fill this house with glory, says the LORD of hosts. Mine is the silver and mine the gold, says the LORD of hosts. Greater will be the future glory of this house than the former, says the LORD of hosts; And in this place I will give you peace, says the LORD of hosts!



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Ps 43:1, 2, 3, 4

Responsorial Psalm R. (5) Hope in God; I will praise him, my savior and my God.

Do me justice, O God, and fight my fight against a faithless people; from the deceitful and impious man rescue me.

R. Hope in God; I will praise him, my savior and my God.

For you, O God, are my strength. Why do you keep me so far away? Why must I go about in mourning, with the enemy oppressing me?

R. Hope in God; I will praise him, my savior and my God.

Send forth your light and your fidelity; they shall lead me on and bring me to your holy mountain, to your dwelling place.

R. Hope in God; I will praise him, my savior and my God.

Then will I go in to the altar of God, the God of my gladness and joy; then will I give you thanks upon the harp, O God, my God!

R. Hope in God; I will praise him, my savior and my God.



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Alleluia

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

The Son of Man came to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many. **R. Alleluia, alleluia.**

Gospel

Once when Jesus was praying in solitude, and the disciples were with him, he asked them, "Who do the crowds say that I am?" They said in reply, "John the Baptist; others, Elijah; still others, 'One of the ancient prophets has arisen." Then he said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" Peter said in reply, "The Christ of God." He rebuked them and directed them not to tell this to anyone.

He said, "The Son of Man must suffer greatly and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed and on the third day be raised."

Mk 10:45

Lk 9:18-22