

## **The Fourth Sunday after Easter**

### ***Job 19:21-27a***

Have pity upon me, have pity upon me, O ye my friends; for the hand of God hath touched me. Why do ye persecute me as God, and are not satisfied with my flesh? Oh that my words were now written! oh that they were printed in a book! That they were graven with an iron pen and lead in the rock for ever! For I know that my redeemer liveth, and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth: And though after my skin worms destroy this body, yet in my flesh shall I see God: Whom I shall see for myself, and mine eyes shall behold, and not another.

### ***Psalm 116:1-8***

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*V.* My delight is in the LORD; \* because he hath heard the voice of my prayer;

*R.* Because he hath inclined his ear unto me; \* therefore will I call upon him as long as I live.

*V.* The snares of death compassed me round about, \* and the pains of hell gat hold upon me.

*R.* I found trouble and heaviness; then called I upon the Name of the LORD; \* O LORD, I beseech thee, deliver my soul.

*V.* Gracious is the LORD, and righteous; \* yea, our God is merciful.

*R.* The LORD preserveth the simple: \* I was in misery, and he helped me.

*V.* Turn again then unto thy rest, O my soul; \* for the LORD hath rewarded thee.

*R.* And why? thou hast delivered my soul from death, \* mine eyes from tears, and my feet from falling.

### ***St. James 1:17-21***

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Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of lights, with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning. Of his own will begat he us with the word of truth, that we should be a kind of firstfruits of his creatures. Wherefore, my beloved brethren, let every man be swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath: for the wrath of man worketh not the righteousness of God. Wherefore lay apart all filthiness and superfluity of naughtiness, and receive with meekness the engrafted word, which is able to save your souls.

### ***St. John 16:5-15***

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Jesus said unto his disciples, Now I go my way to him that sent me; and none of you asketh me, Whither goest thou? But because I have said these things unto you, sorrow hath filled your heart. Nevertheless I tell you the truth; It is expedient for you that I go away: for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you; but if I depart, I will send him unto you. And when he is come, he will reprove the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment: of sin, because they believe not on me; of righteousness, because I go to my Father, and ye see me no more; of judgment, because the prince of this world is judged. I have yet many things to say unto you, but ye cannot bear them now. Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come. He shall glorify me: for he shall receive of mine, and shall shew it unto you. All things that the Father hath are mine: therefore said I, that he shall take of mine, and shall shew it unto you.