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KIDS' LECTIONARY LEARNING TEACHING SUPPLEMENT

20TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15TH, 2023

God Will Swallow Up Death Forever Isaiah 25: 6-9

BIBLE LESSON: ISAIAH 25:6-9 PHIL. 4:4-13

In this reading we are treated to Isaiah's vision of the end of time, where all God's people will be brought together after He has defeated the enemy, death—the final boss of the earthly world if you put it in video game terms. On Mount Zion the God of the whole world will host a feast full of great food and fine wine for all peoples, however, only His people will attend.

As the vision continues, Isaiah sees the final battle take place, with God winning against death and then He looks at everyone's faces and comforts them. It says that He wipes tears away for those who are in physical or emotional pain. He removes the shame that people feel when they have been hurt or abused.

In the final verse the people are overcome with joy, at the realization that after suffering and struggling, God has saved them just as He said He would.

Exhortation, Encouragement, and Prayer Philippians 4: 4-13

In the Epistle lesson for today, Paul is speaking to the people of Philippi. Our Bible tells us that Paul was proud of the Philippians and in times of conflict, he wanted them to remember the grace that God had for them. Paul understood God's grace and forgiveness very well, having been completely turned away from evil by God. When he writes to the Philippians, he asks earnestly for them to be loving and gentle with one another, reflecting the same love that God

Paul mentions the peace of God several times throughout these verses and points out that they will experience this indescribable peace as they pray, give thanks and live the life that Paul has taught them about.

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Prayer

Let us pray together: Dear Father in Heaven, thank you for sending your Son Jesus, and making a way for us to be saved so that we can one day take part in the celebration feast with you. Please send the Holy Spirit to help us in times of conflict so that we might share the love you have for us with others. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

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