

LESSON: HOSEA 13.14

14 I will ransom them from the power of the grave; I will redeem them from death: O death, I will be thy plagues; O grave, I will be thy destruction: repentance shall be hid from mine eyes.

EPISTLE: EPHESIANS 6:10-17

Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might. 11 Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. 12 For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places. 13 Wherefore take unto you the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand. 14 Stand therefore, having your loins girt about with truth, and having on the breastplate of righteousness; 15 And your feet shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace; 16 Above all, taking the shield of faith, wherewith ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked. 17 And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

GOSPEL: JOHN 4:46-54

So Jesus came again into Cana of Galilee, where he made the water wine. And there was a certain no-

bleman, whose son was sick at Capernaum. 47 When he heard that Jesus was come out of Judaea into Galilee, he went unto him, and besought him that he would come down, and heal his son: for he was at the point of death. 48 Then said Jesus unto him, Except ye see signs and wonders, ye will not believe. 49 The nobleman saith unto him, Sir, come down ere my child die. 50 Jesus saith unto him, Go thy way; thy son liveth. And the man believed the word that Jesus had spoken unto him, and he went his way. 51 And as he was now going down, his servants met him, and told him, saying, Thy son liveth. 52 Then enquired he of them the hour when he began to amend. And they said unto him, Yesterday at the seventh hour the fever left him. 53 So the father knew that it was at the same hour, in the which Jesus said unto him, Thy son liveth: and himself believed, and his whole house. 54 This is again the second miracle that Jesus did, when he was come out of Judaea into Galilee.



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Spiritual Armor

If anyone competes in athletics,
he is not crowned unless he competes according to the rules.
2 Timothy 2:5

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WITHOUT COMMUNION
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Today's Usher: *Larry England*

Today's ALTAR FLOWERS - are given to the glory of God by Cheryl Southern.

THIS WEEK

- Today, 9:15am, Bible class
- Wednesday, 10am, Bible class
- Thursday, 4pm, Catechism

ANNOUNCEMENTS

A 21 TRINITY PRAYER
by *Dr. Martin Luther*

Give parents, employers, and rulers the wisdom and understanding to provide well and to rule peaceably. Guard them against tyranny, rage, and anger, and keep them from these wrongs. Help them to honor your word and not persecute or injure anyone. For where these principles are not put into practice, the devil is in charge, and his rule is wicked and destructive.

NOTES & QUOTES

What then did he now believe? Not that his son had been healed, for this kind of faith is now at an end, the healing has been done, and it is now a thing of the past. He sees before his eyes that his son lives. But out of his experience comes forth another faith, that Christ would in the future continue to help him out of other troubles and whatever dark pictures might rise before him; that is what he believed. If the Lord had said to him: Go and die; he would have replied: Although I do not know whither I shall go or where the inn is, yet since I tried before what faith is, I will again cling to the

Word. You helped me once when I could not see nor understand; you will now again help me. Moreover, if Christ had said to him: Leave home and land and your possessions, and come, follow me; he would not have thought: Yes, but how shall I support myself? No doubt the picture would have appeared before his eyes: There is everything in abundance, here is nothing; shall I let go of that, what will I come to? But now he thinks: Although nothing is here, and I see nothing, I will nevertheless cling to the Word, he will surely help me. I tried it before. This is impossible for reason, but faith can do all things.

Sermons of Martin Luther - The Church Postils, Vol. 5. Sermon for Twentieth Sunday after Trinity, p. 260.

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

- Psalms - 46-52
- OT - Jeremiah 41-47
- NT - Acts 26-28; Romans 1-4