

October 15th Readings

[1 SAMUEL 20:1-21:15](#)

[JOHN 9:1-41](#)

[PSALM 113:1-114:8](#)

[PROVERBS 15:15-17](#)

Who controls your life? Whose commands do you follow? Whom do you depend upon to fulfill your basic needs or to protect you?

Our Lord loves and cares for us, if we allow him to do so. Let us give him our deepest praise in all we do and say. Let us exalt our Lord above all else. The Lord is always ready to serve his servants.

Praise the lord.

October 16th Readings

[1 SAMUEL 22:1-23:29](#)

[JOHN 10:1-21](#)

[PSALM 115:1-18](#)

[PROVERBS 15:18-19](#)

Let us be sheep. Let us listen for our shepherd, the one who cares for us. The voice we know because he feeds, waters, protects and loves all who follow him. The one who places our welfare above all else. Jesus is our good shepherd who has come to gather our Father's lost sheep home. May we listen to and obey the good shepherd.

October 17th Readings

[1 SAMUEL 24:1-25:44](#)

[JOHN 10:22-42](#)

[PSALM 116:1-19](#)

[PROVERBS 15:20-21](#)

Jesus speaks of himself and our Father being one. Let us strive to be one with our Father and Jesus. Let us find eternal life, and safety in the presence of God and Christ. Let us bear witness of our Father and his Son by following their teachings and commands as we bring others into a safe and eternal relationship with them. May we be good sheep and better shepherds.

#### October 18th Readings

[1 SAMUEL 26:1-28:25](#)

[JOHN 11:1-54](#)

[PSALM 117:1-2](#)

[PROVERBS 15:22-23](#)

In today's world of deceit and deception, dishonesty and discord, we need to place the words of this psalm before every living being and pray they understand its meaning. Let this understanding begin with us, that we proclaim the love and faithfulness of God in our lives.

#### October 19th Readings

[1 SAMUEL 29:1-31:13](#)

[JOHN 11:55-12:19](#)

[PSALM 118:1-18](#)

[PROVERBS 15:24-26](#)

This psalm reminds us of God's great love for each of us and the many ways God demonstrates his love to us. While those around us may fail to meet our needs, the Lord is our ready helper, our strength, our defense, our salvation, our victory over death.

His love endures forever. If we remain in his love we will live forever.

### October 20th Readings

[2 SAMUEL 1:1-2:11](#)

[JOHN 12:20-50](#)

[PSALM 118:19-29](#)

[PROVERBS 15:27-28](#)

We must carefully evaluate our words. We must think about how our words will affect those who hear them. Our words should come from a heart filled with the love of God and pure in every thought.

### October 21st Readings

[2 SAMUEL 2:12-3:39](#)

[JOHN 13:1-30](#)

[PSALM 119:1-16](#)

[PROVERBS 15:29-30](#)

David writes of being blameless, walking according to God's law, keeping his statutes, obeying his decrees, learning God's righteous laws. We all agree these actions are necessary if we are to be faithful servants to the Lord. We must concentrate upon what he expects us to do. We must not stray from his course for our lives; we must not sin. We must value God's instructions, meditate upon them and allow them to control our lives. Pray that we may avoid the distractions and diversions of this world as we seek to follow God's precepts, decrees and commands.