

## **Acts 3:12-19 New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)**

<sup>12</sup>When Peter saw it, he addressed the people, “You Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made him walk? <sup>13</sup>The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our ancestors has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though he had decided to release him. <sup>14</sup>But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, <sup>15</sup>and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. <sup>16</sup>And by faith in his name, his name itself has made this man strong, whom you see and know; and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the presence of all of you. <sup>17</sup>“And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. <sup>18</sup>In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah<sup>Ⓜ</sup> would suffer. <sup>19</sup>Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out,

## **Psalms 4 New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)**

<sup>1</sup>Answer me when I call, O God of my right!  
You gave me room when I was in distress.  
Be gracious to me, and hear my prayer.  
<sup>2</sup>How long, you people, shall my honor suffer shame?  
How long will you love vain words, and seek after lies?  
<sup>3</sup>But know that the LORD has set apart the faithful for himself;  
the LORD hears when I call to him.  
<sup>4</sup>When you are disturbed, do not sin;  
ponder it on your beds, and be silent.  
<sup>5</sup>Offer right sacrifices,  
and put your trust in the LORD.  
<sup>6</sup>There are many who say, “O that we might see some good!  
Let the light of your face shine on us, O LORD!”  
<sup>7</sup>You have put gladness in my heart  
more than when their grain and wine abound.  
<sup>8</sup>I will both lie down and sleep in peace;  
for you alone, O LORD, make me lie down in safety.

## **John 3:1-7 New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)**

<sup>3</sup>Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. <sup>2</sup>He came to Jesus by night and said to him, “Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God.” <sup>3</sup>Jesus answered him, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above.” <sup>4</sup>Nicodemus said to him, “How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother’s womb and be born?” <sup>5</sup>Jesus answered, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. <sup>6</sup>What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. <sup>7</sup>Do not be astonished that I said to you, ‘You must be born from above.’