

Psalms 37:1-7

1 Do not fret because of the wicked; do not be envious of wrongdoers, **2** for they will soon fade like the grass, and wither like the green herb. **3** Trust in the Lord, and do good; so you will live in the land, and enjoy security. **4** Take delight in the Lord, and he will give you the desires of your heart. **5** Commit your way to the Lord; trust in him, and he will act. **6** He will make your vindication shine like the light, and the justice of your cause like the noonday. **7** Be still before the Lord, and wait patiently for him; do not fret over those who prosper in their way, over those who carry out evil devices.

John 7:37-39

37 On the last day of the festival, the great day, while Jesus was standing there, he cried out, "Let anyone who is thirsty come to me, **38** and let the one who believes in me drink. As the scripture has said, 'Out of the believer's heart shall flow rivers of living water.' " **39** Now he said this about the Spirit, which believers in him were to receive; for as yet there was no Spirit, because Jesus was not yet glorified.

Romans 15:7-13

7 Welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God. **8** For I tell you that Christ has become a servant of the circumcised on behalf of the truth of God in order that he might confirm the promises given to the patriarchs, **9** and in order that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written, "Therefore I will confess you among the Gentiles, and sing praises to your name"; **10** and again he says, "Rejoice, O Gentiles, with his people"; **11** and again, "Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles, and let all the peoples praise him"; **12** and again Isaiah says, "The root of Jesse shall come, the one who rises to rule the Gentiles; in him the Gentiles shall hope." **13** May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.