

# Suggested Readings and Hymns

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## *Suggested Readings for Bible Translation Sunday*

### The Psalm for the Day, Psalm 119:89-93, 97-104

*God's Word is seen as an eternal gift to His people that brings life and guidance to the path, and a gift that produces wisdom and love for God and His law.*

### Old Testament Lesson, Isaiah 40:1-8

*God speaks words of comfort to His people, promising relief from oppression and forgiveness for sin. The high point of this message and the proof of its truth is placed in the unchanging Word of God.*

### The Second Lesson, 1 Peter 1:22-25

*Just as the Old Testament reading emphasizes the enduring nature of the Word as the source of our hope, Peter points to that same Word as the center of the life-saving message that was preached in the early church. He calls the Word "living and abiding," highlighting its power and unchangeable character.*

### The Gospel Lesson, Mark 4:1-9

*In the Parable of the Sower, the unchanging nature of the Word of God is contrasted to the various ways the Word is received. The seed is the same, always offering life and leading to fruit in the lives of those who "hear the Word and accept it and bear fruit."*

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	LW	LBW	TOSB	WOV
A Mighty Fortress	297	229	-	-
How Blest are They Who Hear God's Word	222	227	-	-
How Precious is the Book Divine	332	-	-	-
I Love to Tell the Story	390	93	128	-
I, the Lord of Sea and Sky	-	-	-	752
Lift High the Cross	311	377	130	-
Lord, Open Now My Heart to Hear	197	-	-	-
O Word of God Incarnate	335	231	-	-
Oh for a Thousand Tongues	279	559	151	-
Open My Eyes, That I May See	-	-	159	-
Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow	461	565	264	-
Seek Ye First	-	-	187	783
Sent Forth by God's Blessing	247	221	-	-
Thy Strong Word	328	233	-	-
When Seed Falls on Good Soil	338	236	-	-