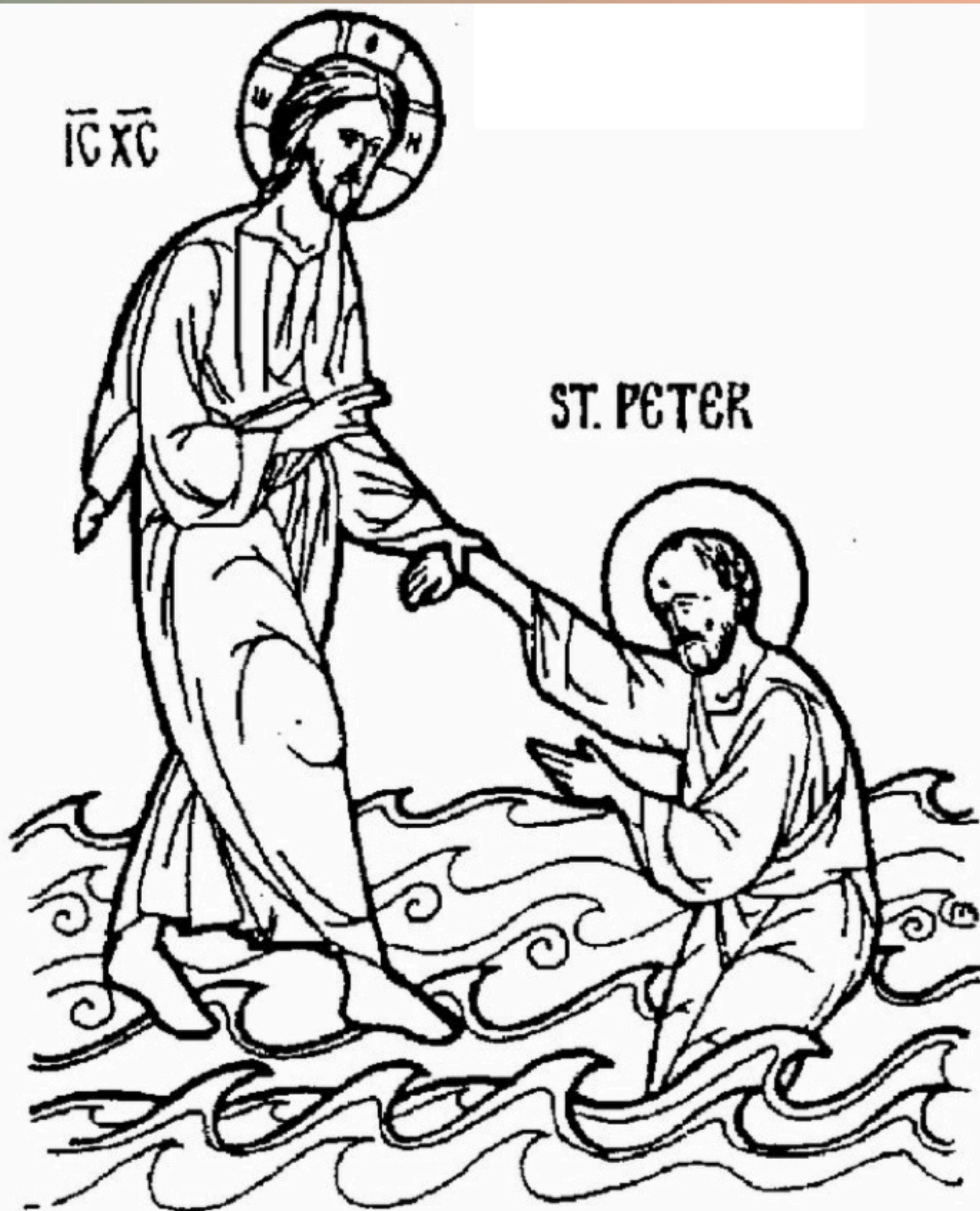


# 3rd Sunday of Pentecost Sunday of Sts Peter and Paul

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# Coloring Icons



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# Romans 5:1-10

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## 2 Corinthians 11:21-12:9

THEREFORE, SINCE WE HAVE BEEN JUSTIFIED BY FAITH, WE HAVE PEACE<sup>\*</sup> WITH GOD THROUGH OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST.<sup>A</sup>

2THROUGH WHOM WE HAVE GAINED ACCESS [BY FAITH] TO THIS GRACE IN WHICH WE STAND, AND WE BOAST IN HOPE OF THE GLORY OF GOD.<sup>B</sup>

3NOT ONLY THAT, BUT WE EVEN BOAST OF OUR AFFLICTIONS, KNOWING THAT AFFLICTION PRODUCES ENDURANCE,

4AND ENDURANCE, PROVEN CHARACTER, AND PROVEN CHARACTER, HOPE,<sup>C</sup>

5AND HOPE DOES NOT DISAPPOINT, BECAUSE THE LOVE OF GOD HAS BEEN POURED OUT INTO OUR HEARTS THROUGH THE HOLY SPIRIT THAT HAS BEEN GIVEN TO US.<sup>D</sup>

6FOR CHRIST, WHILE WE WERE STILL HELPLESS, YET DIED AT THE APPOINTED TIME FOR THE UNGODLY.

7INDEED, ONLY WITH DIFFICULTY DOES ONE DIE FOR A JUST PERSON, THOUGH PERHAPS FOR A GOOD PERSON ONE MIGHT EVEN FIND COURAGE TO DIE.<sup>\*</sup>

8BUT GOD PROVES HIS LOVE FOR US IN THAT WHILE WE WERE STILL SINNERS CHRIST DIED FOR US.<sup>E</sup>

9HOW MUCH MORE THEN, SINCE WE ARE NOW JUSTIFIED BY HIS BLOOD, WILL WE BE SAVED THROUGH HIM FROM THE WRATH.<sup>F</sup>

10INDEED, IF, WHILE WE WERE ENEMIES, WE WERE RECONCILED TO GOD THROUGH THE DEATH OF HIS SON, HOW MUCH MORE, ONCE RECONCILED, WILL WE BE SAVED BY HIS LIFE.<sup>G</sup>

TO MY SHAME I SAY THAT WE WERE TOO WEAK!<sup>\*</sup>

BUT WHAT ANYONE DARES TO BOAST OF (I AM SPEAKING IN FOOLISHNESS) I ALSO DARE.

22<sup>\*</sup> ARE THEY HEBREWS? SO AM I. ARE THEY ISRAELITES? SO AM I. ARE THEY DESCENDANTS OF ABRAHAM? SO AM I.<sup>K</sup>

23<sup>\*</sup> ARE THEY MINISTERS OF CHRIST? (I AM TALKING LIKE AN INSANE PERSON.)<sup>L</sup> I AM STILL MORE<sup>\*</sup> WITH FAR GREATER LABORS, FAR MORE IMPRISONMENTS, FAR WORSE BEATINGS, AND NUMEROUS BRUSHES WITH DEATH.

24FIVE TIMES AT THE HANDS OF THE JEWS I RECEIVED FORTY LASHES MINUS ONE.<sup>M</sup>

25THREE TIMES I WAS BEATEN WITH RODS, ONCE I WAS STONED, THREE TIMES I WAS SHIPWRECKED, I PASSED A NIGHT AND A DAY ON THE DEEP;<sup>N</sup>

26ON FREQUENT JOURNEYS, IN DANGERS FROM RIVERS, DANGERS FROM ROBBERS, DANGERS FROM MY OWN RACE, DANGERS FROM GENTILES, DANGERS IN THE CITY, DANGERS IN THE WILDERNESS, DANGERS AT SEA, DANGERS AMONG FALSE BROTHERS;

27IN TOIL AND HARDSHIP, THROUGH MANY SLEEPLESS NIGHTS, THROUGH HUNGER AND THIRST, THROUGH FREQUENT FASTINGS, THROUGH COLD AND EXPOSURE.<sup>O</sup>

28AND APART FROM THESE THINGS, THERE IS THE DAILY PRESSURE UPON ME OF MY ANXIETY FOR ALL THE CHURCHES.

# Romans 5:1-10

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## 2 Corinthians 11:21-12:9

29WHO IS WEAK, AND I AM NOT WEAK? WHO IS LED TO SIN, AND I AM NOT INDIGNANT?<sup>p</sup>

30IF I MUST BOAST, I WILL BOAST OF THE THINGS THAT SHOW MY WEAKNESS.

31<sup>\*</sup> THE GOD AND FATHER OF THE LORD JESUS KNOWS, HE WHO IS BLESSED FOREVER, THAT I DO NOT LIE.

32AT DAMASCUS, THE GOVERNOR UNDER KING ARETAS GUARDED THE CITY OF DAMASCUS, IN ORDER TO SEIZE ME,

33BUT I WAS LOWERED IN A BASKET THROUGH A WINDOW IN THE WALL AND ESCAPED HIS HANDS.<sup>q</sup>

11<sup>\*</sup> MUST BOAST; NOT THAT IT IS PROFITABLE, BUT I WILL GO ON TO VISIONS AND REVELATIONS OF THE LORD.

2I KNOW SOMEONE IN CHRIST WHO, FOURTEEN YEARS AGO (WHETHER IN THE BODY OR OUT OF THE BODY I DO NOT KNOW, GOD KNOWS), WAS CAUGHT UP TO THE THIRD HEAVEN.

3AND I KNOW THAT THIS PERSON (WHETHER IN THE BODY OR OUT OF THE BODY I DO NOT KNOW, GOD KNOWS)

4WAS CAUGHT UP INTO PARADISE AND HEARD INEFFABLE THINGS, WHICH NO ONE MAY UTTER.<sup>a</sup>

5ABOUT THIS PERSON<sup>\*</sup> I WILL BOAST, BUT ABOUT MYSELF I WILL NOT BOAST, EXCEPT ABOUT MY WEAKNESSES.

6ALTHOUGH IF I SHOULD WISH TO BOAST, I WOULD NOT BE FOOLISH, FOR I WOULD BE TELLING THE TRUTH. BUT I REFRAIN, SO THAT NO ONE MAY THINK MORE OF ME THAN WHAT HE SEES IN ME OR HEARS FROM ME

7BECAUSE OF THE ABUNDANCE OF THE REVELATIONS. THEREFORE, THAT I MIGHT NOT BECOME TOO ELATED,<sup>\*</sup> A THORN IN THE FLESH WAS GIVEN TO ME, AN ANGEL OF SATAN, TO BEAT ME, TO KEEP ME FROM BEING TOO ELATED.<sup>b</sup>

8THREE TIMES<sup>\*</sup> I BEGGED THE LORD ABOUT THIS, THAT IT MIGHT LEAVE ME,<sup>c</sup>

9<sup>\*</sup> BUT HE SAID TO ME, "MY GRACE IS SUFFICIENT FOR YOU, FOR POWER IS MADE PERFECT IN WEAKNESS." I WILL RATHER BOAST MOST GLADLY OF MY WEAKNESSES,<sup>\*</sup> IN ORDER THAT THE POWER OF CHRIST MAY DWELL WITH ME.<sup>d</sup>

# Matthew

## 6:22-34 and 16:13-19

The lamp of the body is the eye. If your eye is sound, your whole body will be filled with light; 23but if your eye is bad, your whole body will be in darkness. And if the light in you is darkness, how great will the darkness be.↓

24\* “No one can serve two masters.↵He will either hate one and love the other, or be devoted to one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and mammon.

25↵ “Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat [or drink], or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food and the body more than clothing?

26Look at the birds in the sky; they do not sow or reap, they gather nothing into barns, yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are not you more important than they?↵

27Can any of you by worrying add a single moment to your life-span?↵

28Why are you anxious about clothes? Learn from the way the wild flowers grow. They do not work or spin.

29But I tell you that not even Solomon in all his splendor was clothed like one of them.

30\* If God so clothes the grass of the field, which grows today and is thrown into the oven tomorrow, will he not much more provide for you, O you of little faith?

31So do not worry and say, ‘What are we to eat?’ or ‘What are we to drink?’ or ‘What are we to wear?’

32All these things the pagans seek. Your heavenly Father knows that you need them all.

33But seek first the kingdom [of God] and his righteousness,\* and all these things will be given you besides.

34Do not worry about tomorrow; tomorrow will take care of itself. Sufficient for a day is its own evil.

13↵ When Jesus went into the region of Caesarea Philippi,\* he asked his disciples, “Who do people say that the Son of Man is?”

14↓ They replied, “Some say John the Baptist,\* others Elijah, still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.”

15He said to them, “But who do you say that I am?”

16\*↵ Simon Peter said in reply, “You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.”

17Jesus said to him in reply, “Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah. For flesh and blood\* has not revealed this to you, but my heavenly Father.

18↵ And so I say to you, you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church,\* and the gates of the netherworld shall not prevail against it.

19↓ I will give you the keys to the kingdom of heaven.\* Whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven; and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.

# Caught you Listening

## ○ Gospel: Matthew 16: 13-19

Today, in the Gospel, the disciples talk about who Jesus is, and Jesus talks about who Peter is. Match each statement to the person it talks about.

- ☐ You are Peter
- ☐ The powers of death will not prevail against
- ☐ The son of the living God.
- ☐ Blessed
- ☐ One of the prophets
- ☐ Receiver of the keys of the kingdom of heaven
- ☐ Looser of things on earth and in heaven
- ☐ The Christ
- ☐ Binder of things on earth and in heaven
- ☐ The rock foundation of the church

PETER

JESUS



# Matthew 6:22-34

R I G H T E O U S N E S S P S  
P W U C Y E T E W G G X D M U  
R H I J K S Z O W O Q K O A F  
E A L L E O J K M Y V D N M F  
V C P A D I S E I O C E O M I  
A T A J M F P Y K E R J T O C  
I W G O C P L S L S G R W N I  
L O A N K R H O W H W D O N E  
B M N A E T L F W U U S R W N  
N A S H N T G B Y E T S R M T  
Y S U B X Z J R Y G R K Y N Y  
J T H L V R P Q C X S S X B B  
S E F T Y H S O L O M O N O H  
K R N R N I L G X Q V R I R X  
X S P L E N D O R X Z Q G T E

Lamp  
Two masters  
Mammon  
Do not worry  
Wild flowers

Solomon  
Splendor  
Tomorrow  
Pagans  
Righteousness

Righteousness  
Sufficient  
Jonah  
Prevail  
Keys

# Prayer before Communion

O LORD, I BELIEVE AND PROFESS THAT YOU ARE TRULY CHRIST, THE SON OF THE LIVING GOD, WHO CAME INTO THE WORLD TO SAVE SINNERS OF WHOM I AM THE FIRST.

ACCEPT ME TODAY AS A PARTAKER OF YOUR MYSTICAL SUPPER, O SON OF GOD, FOR I WILL NOT REVEAL YOUR MYSTERY TO YOUR ENEMIES, NOR WILL I GIVE YOU A KISS AS DID JUDAS, BUT LIKE THE THIEF I PROFESS YOU: REMEMBER ME, O LORD, WHEN YOU COME IN YOUR KINGDOM.

REMEMBER ME, O MASTER, WHEN YOU COME IN YOUR KINGDOM.

REMEMBER ME, O HOLY ONE, WHEN YOU COME IN YOUR KINGDOM.

MAY THE PARTAKING OF YOUR HOLY MYSTERIES, O LORD, BE NOT FOR MY JUDGMENT OR CONDEMNATION BUT FOR THE HEALING OF SOUL AND BODY.

O LORD, I ALSO BELIEVE AND PROFESS THAT THIS, WHICH I AM ABOUT TO RECEIVE, IS TRULY YOUR MOST PRECIOUS BODY AND YOUR LIFE-GIVING BLOOD, WHICH, I PRAY, MAKE ME WORTHY TO RECEIVE FOR THE REMISSION OF ALL MY SINS AND FOR LIFE EVERLASTING. AMEN. O GOD, BE MERCIFUL TO ME, A SINNER. O GOD, CLEANSE ME OF MY SINS AND HAVE MERCY ON ME. O LORD, FORGIVE ME FOR I HAVE SINNED WITHOUT NUMBER.