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A reading from 1 Peter chapter 5 verses 6 through 11. You can find this reading on page 1,017 of your pew Bible.

Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God so that at the proper time he may exalt you, casting all your anxieties on him, because he cares for you. Be sober-minded; be watchful. Your adversary the devil prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour. Resist him, firm in your faith, knowing that the same kinds of suffering are being experienced by your brotherhood throughout the world. And after you have suffered a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, confirm, strengthen, and establish you. To him be the dominion forever and ever. Amen.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please join me in praying Psalm 22.

Leader: My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?
Why are you so far from saving me, from the words
of my groaning?

**People: O my God, I cry by day, but you do not answer,
and by night, but I find no rest.**

Leader: Yet you are holy,
enthroned on the praises of Israel.

**People: In you our fathers trusted;
they trusted, and you delivered them.**

Leader: To you they cried and were rescued;
in you they trusted and were not put to shame.

**People: But I am a worm and not a man,
scorned by mankind and despised by the people.**

Leader: All who see me mock me;
they make mouths at me; they wag their heads;

**People: "He trusts in the Lord; let him deliver him;
let him rescue him, for he delights in him!"**

Leader: Yet you are he who took me from the womb;
you made me trust you at my mother's breasts.

**People: On you was I cast from my birth,
and from my mother's womb you have been my God.**

**All: Be not far from me,
for trouble is near,
and there is none to help.**

**Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit: as it was
in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

**Leader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to Mark.**

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

And they were on the road, going up to Jerusalem, and Jesus was walking ahead of them. And they were amazed, and those who followed were afraid. And taking the twelve again, he began to tell them what was to happen to him, saying, "See, we are going up to Jerusalem, and the Son of Man will be delivered over to the chief priests and the scribes, and they will condemn him to death and deliver him over to the Gentiles. And they will mock him and spit on him, and flog him and kill him. And after three days he will rise."

Leader: The Gospel of the Lord

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.