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# HOMILETICS

## TEXTS FOR THE CHURCH YEAR 1950—1951

For the coming Church Year the CONCORDIA THEOLOGICAL MONTHLY proposes to furnish helps on some of the Eisenach Old Testament Series texts. Contrary to past practice, each issue will bring the treatment of only one of the four or more texts of the month. This treatment will be an extended study of the text by a specialist in the field, which we hope will be stimulating not only for that text, but also for others during the year. We give the list of suggested texts and append to each, not a sermon theme, but the central thought of the Service for the Day according to its Propers. The contributors will furnish material on one of these texts for the month related to the respective theme for the day.

Dec. 3	1 S. in Adv.	Jer. 31:31-34	(The Christian's Faith for the New Church Year)
Dec. 10	2 S. in Adv.	Mal. 4	(Sure Hope and Faith)
Dec. 17	3 S. in Adv.	Is. 40:1-8	(Christian Courage Toward the Judgment)
Dec. 24	4 S. in Adv.	Deut. 18:15-19	(Expectant Joy at the Incarnation)
Dec. 25	Christmas	Is. 9:2-7	(The Savior, True God and Man)
Dec. 31	S. a. Chris.	Is. 63:7-16	(God Our Redeemer)
Jan. 1	N. Y. Day	Ps. 121	(The Lord Our Protector)
Jan. 7	1 S. a. Ep.	Ps. 122	(God's Help for Witness)
Jan. 14	2 S. a. Ep.	Ex. 3:1-6	(Christ's Glory Revealed)
Jan. 21	Sept.	Jer. 9:23, 24	(God's Deliverance from Sin)
Jan. 28	Sex.	Amos 8:11, 12	(Our Helplessness Without God)
Feb. 4	Quinq.	Jer. 8:4-9	(The Repentant Look to Christ)
Feb. 11	Invoc.	Gen. 22:1-14	(Christ's Obedience for Our Salvation)
Feb. 18	Rem.	Ex. 33:17-23	(God's Mercy Our Help)
Feb. 25	Oculi	Jer. 26:1-15	(Accept God's Grace for All of Life)
Mar. 4	Laetare	Is. 52:7-10	(The Glad Supply of God's Grace)
Mar. 11	Judica	Num. 21:4-9	(Life Through Christ)
Mar. 18	Palm S.	Zech. 9:9-13	(The Humble and Powerful Savior)
Mar. 22	M. Th.	Ps. 111	(Forgiveness of Sins in Communion)
Mar. 23	G. Fr.	Ps. 22:1-19	(Christ Died for Us)
Mar. 25	Easter	Ps. 118:14-24	(Our Resurrection in Christ's)
Apr. 1	Quasim.	Gen. 32:21-30	(Hold Fast to Life in Christ)
Apr. 8	Mis. D.	Ps. 23	(Christ the Good Shepherd)
Apr. 15	Jubilate	Is. 40:26-31	(Certainty and Power in the Merciful God)
Apr. 22	Cantate	Ps. 98	(The Christian's Triumphant Praise)
Apr. 29	Rogate	Is. 55:6-11	(The Seeking Heart of the Saved Man)
May 3	Ascension	Ps. 110:1-4	(The Triumphant Christ)
May 6	Exaudi	Ps. 42	(The Redeemer Fills Our Whole Life)
May 13	Pentecost	Ezek. 36:22-28	(God Converts Men to Be His People)
May 20	Trinity	Is. 6:1-8	(God Our Creator, Redeemer, Guide)



May 27	1 S. a. Tr.	Deut. 6:4-13	(Use God's Word for His Sake)
June 3	2 S. a. Tr.	Prov. 9:1-10	(The Life of Christian Prudence)
June 10	3 S. a. Tr.	Is. 12	(God's Care for the Lost)
June 17	4 S. a. Tr.	Is. 65:17-25	(The Life of Trust)
June 24	5 S. a. Tr.	Lam. 3:22-32	(God's Blessing on Christian Witness)
July 1	6 S. a. Tr.	Ps. 1	(The Life of the New Man)
July 8	7 S. a. Tr.	Is. 62:6-12	(The Fruitful Christian Life)
July 15	8 S. a. Tr.	Jer. 23:16-29	(The Importance of True Teaching)
July 22	9 S. a. Tr.	Prov. 16:1-9	(God's Help Against Temptation)
July 29	10 S. a. Tr.	Jer. 7:1-11	(The Grace to Overcome Evil and Serve God)
Aug. 5	11 S. a. Tr.	Dan. 9:15-18	(God's Mercy Our Sole Support)
Aug. 12	12 S. a. Tr.	Is. 29:18-21	(The Glory of the Gospel)
Aug. 19	13 S. a. Tr.	Zech. 7:4-10	(God Fits Us for Work in His Service)
Aug. 26	14 S. a. Tr.	Ps. 50:14-23	(The Fruits of the Spirit in Worship and Behavior)
Sep. 2	15 S. a. Tr.	1 Kings 17:8-16	(God's Unfailing Help)
Sep. 9	16 S. a. Tr.	Job 5:17-26	(God's Help for Every Trial)
Sep. 16	17 S. a. Tr.	Ps. 75:4-7	(Forsake Self-Righteousness)
Sep. 23	18 S. a. Tr.	2 Chron. 1:7-12	(The Supreme Importance of God's Gift of Himself)
Sep. 30	19 S. a. Tr.	Ps. 32:1-7	(The Greatest Gift: Forgiveness)
Oct. 7	20 S. a. Tr.	Prov. 2:1-8	(God Gives Ability for Service)
Oct. 14	21 S. a. Tr.	2 Sam. 7:17-29	(Because of God in Christ Our Life Grows)
Oct. 21	22 S. a. Tr.	Prov. 24:14-20	(Forgiveness Begets Forgiveness)
Oct. 28	23 S. a. Tr.	Ps. 85:8-13	(The Battle of Flesh and Spirit)
Oct. 31	Reform.	Ps. 46	(God Our Sole Help)
Nov. 4	24 S. a. Tr.	Ps. 39:4-13	(God's Healing for the Believer)
Nov. 11	25 S. a. Tr.	Job 14:1-5	(Time and Change Drive to God)
Nov. 18	26 S. a. Tr.	Ps. 126	(God Will Save Through Every Trial)
Nov. 25	27 S. a. Tr.	Is. 35:3-10	(The Deliverance of God's Saints)
Nov. 29	Thanksg.	Ps. 34:1-8	

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### *Sermon Study on Is. 40:1-8 for the Third Sunday in Advent*

The propers for this Sunday are focused on the Advent message that the Lord is coming: "The Lord is at hand" (Introit); "by Thy gracious visitation" (Collect); "until the Lord come" (Epistle); "Stir up Thy strength and come" (Gradual); "Art Thou He that should come?" (Gospel).

In view of the coming judgment the penitent Christian may take courage in the fact that the Lord came and still comes to visit His people with His grace. I. The Christian rejoices alway because the Lord has been favorable to His land, has brought back the captivity of His people, and has lightened the darkness of their hearts