

## **Translations of some Bible verses for your weekly Bible study**

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### **For Thanksgiving 2008**

(Bible verses are listed alphabetically by Book of the Bible)

#### **Ezekiel 34:11, 26**

**TEV** — "The Good Shepherd" - "I, the Sovereign LORD, tell you that I myself will look for my sheep and take care of them. Will bless them and let them live around my sacred hill. There I will bless them with showers of rain when they need it.

#### **Isaiah 45:18**

**NEB** — Thus says the Lord, the creator of the heavens, he who is God, who made the earth and fashioned it.

#### **Isaiah 55:10,11**

**LB** — As the rain and snow come down from heaven and stay upon the ground to water the earth, and cause the grain to grow and to produce seed for the farmer and bread for the hungry, so also is my Word. I send it out and it always produces fruit. It shall accomplish all I want it to, and prosper everywhere I send it.

#### **Isaiah 61:10**

**LB** — Let me tell you how happy God has made me!

**MESSAGE** — I will sing for joy in God, explode in praise from deep in my soul!

#### **Isaiah 61:11**

**LB** — The Lord will show the nations of the world his justice; all will praise him. His righteousness shall be like a budding tree, or like a garden in early spring, full of young plants springing up everywhere.

#### **Matthew 5:6**

**CEV** — God blesses those people who want to obey him more than to eat or drink. They will be given what they want!

**KJV** — Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness: for they shall be filled.

**LB** — Happy are those who long to be just and good, for they shall be completely satisfied.

**MESSAGE** — You're blessed when you've worked up a good appetite for God. He's food and drink in the best meal you'll ever eat.

**MOFF** — Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for goodness! they will be satisfied.

**NEB** — How blest are those who hunger and thirst to see right prevail; they shall be satisfied.

**PHIL** — Happy are those who are hungry and thirsty for true goodness, for they will be fully satisfied!

**Revised** — Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.

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**Psalm 23:5**

**LB** — blessings overflow!

**MESSAGE** — my cup brims with blessing

**NEB** — and my cup runs over.

**TEV** — fill my cup to the brim

**Psalm 40:5**

**LB** — O Lord my God, many and many a time you have done great miracles for us, and we are ever in your thoughts. Who else can do such glorious things? No one else can be compared with you. There isn't time to tell of all your wonderful deeds.

**NEB** — Great things thou hast done, O Lord my God; thy wonderful purposes are all for our good; none can compare with thee; I would proclaim them and speak of them, but they are more than I can tell.

**Psalm 67:1**

**LB** — O God, in mercy bless us; let your face beam with joy as you look down at us.

**Psalm 67:2**

**LB** — Send us around the world with the news of your saving power and your eternal plan for all mankind.

**Psalm 89:15**

**LB** — Blessed are those who hear the joyful blast of the trumpet, for they shall walk in the light of your presence.

**NEB** — Happy the people who have learnt to acclaim thee, who walk, O Lord, in the light of thy presence!

**Psalm 100:1**

**LB** — Shout with joy before the Lord, O earth!

**NEB** — Acclaim the Lord, all men on earth,

**Psalm 100:3**

**NEB** — Know that the Lord is God; he has made us and we are his own, his people, the flock which he shepherds.

**Psalm 107:1,8,9**

**LB** — Say “Thank you” to the Lord for being so good, for always being so loving and kind. Oh, that these men would praise the Lord for his lovingkindness, and for all of his wonderful deeds! For he satisfies the thirsty soul and fills the hungry soul with good.

**Psalm 107:22**

**LB** — Let them tell him “Thank you” as their sacrifice, and sing about his glorious deeds.

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**Psalm 107:23,24**

**LB** — And then there was the sailors sailing the seven seas, plying the trade routes of the world. They, too, observe the power of God in action.

**Psalm 107:35-38**

**LB** — Again, he turns deserts into fertile, watered valleys. He brings the hungry to settle there and build their cities, to sow their fields and plant their vineyards, and reap their bumper crops! How he blesses them! They raise big families there, and many cattle.

**NEB** — Desert he changes into standing pools, and parched land into springs of water. There he gives the hungry a home, and they build themselves a city to live in; they sow fields and plant vineyards and reap a fruitful harvest. He blesses them and their numbers increase, and he does not let their herds lose strength.

**Psalm 107:42**

**NEB** — The upright see it and are glad, while evildoers are filled with disgust.

**Psalm 107:43**

**LB** — Listen, if you are wise, to what I am saying. Think about the lovingkindness of the Lord!

**NEB** — Let the wise man lay these things to heart, and ponder the record of the Lord's enduring love.

**Psalm 126:3**

**LB** — Yes, glorious things! What wonder! What joy!

**NEB** — Great things indeed the Lord then did for us, and we rejoiced.