

Bible/Hymn Study #21
ELW #422 *For All the Saints*
Hebrews 1:1-4 and Hebrews 12:1-2

Hebrews 1:1-4

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¹Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets, ²but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, through whom he also created the worlds. ³He is the reflection of God's glory and the exact imprint of God's very being, and he sustains all things by his powerful word. When he had made purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, ⁴having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.

Hebrews 12:1-2

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¹Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, ²looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.

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QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION

- Each morning this week, remember one of the “saints” in your life who is dining at the heavenly banquet. Remember how they touched your life and formed the person you are today.
- Every evening this week, pray for someone still living who touches your life and continues to transform you as you walk this journey of faith.
- Sometime this week, listen to this hymn at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Rgwq7f2FpNk>

For All the Saints



1 For all the saints who from their labors rest, who
 2 Thou wast their rock, their for-ress, and their might; thou,
Stanzas 3-5 below.
 6 But then there breaks a yet more glo-rious day: the
 7 From earth's wide bounds, from o-cean's far-thest coast, through



thee by faith be-fore the world con-fessed, thy
 Lord, their cap-tain in the well-fought fight; . .

saints tri-um-phant rise in bright ar-ray; the
 gates of pearl streams in the count-less host, . .



name, O Je-sus, be for-ev-er blest.
 thou, in the dark-ness drear, their one true light.

King of glo-ry pass-es on his way.
 sing-ing to Fa-ther, Son, and Ho-ly Ghost:



Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!



3 Oh, blest com-mu-nion, fel-low-ship di-vine, we fee-bly strug-gle,
 4 And when the strife is fierce, the war-fare long, steals on the ear the
 5 The gold-en eve-ning bright-ens in the west; soon, soon to faith-ful



they in glo-ry shine; yet all are one in thee, for all are
 dis-tant tri-umph song, and hearts are brave a-gain and arms are
 ser-vants com-eth rest; . . . sweet is the calm of par-a-dise the



thine. Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!
 strong.
 blest.