

## A Reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah

*Isaiah 61:9-11*

The offspring shall be renowned among the nations,  
and their descendants in the midst of the peoples;  
All who see them shall acknowledge them:  
“They are offspring the Lord has blessed.”

I will rejoice heartily in the Lord,  
my being exults in my God;  
For he has clothed me with garments of salvation,  
and wrapped me in a robe of justice,  
like a bridegroom adorned with a diadem,  
as a bride adorns herself with her jewels.

As the earth brings forth its shoots,  
and a garden makes its seeds spring up,  
So will the Lord God make justice spring up,  
and praise before all the nations.

The Word of the Lord