



# "THE READING OF THE WORD"

SUGGESTED HYMNS  
FOR SABBATH SCHOOL

LESSON 6: NOVEMBER 2-8, 2019

*"So they read distinctly from the book, in the Law of God; and they gave the sense, and helped them to understand the reading" (Nehemiah 8:8, NKJV)*

H Y M N S F O R W O R S H I P . O R G

## RECURRING THEMES IN THIS WEEK'S LESSON

**A. The importance of spending time in the Word of God**

**B. Study of the word of God brings conviction of sin, leading men to repentance and acknowledgment of God's gift of salvation, as well as His justice in dealing with them**

## HYMN LIST

- Give Me the Bible SDAH 272  
<https://hymnsforworship.org/sdah-272-give-bible/>
- Blessed Jesus, at Thy Word SDAH 60  
<https://hymnsforworship.org/sdah-060-blessed-jesus-at-thy-word/>
- Lord I Have Made Thy Word My Choice SDAH 273  
<https://hymnsforworship.org/sdah-273-lord-made-thy-word-choice/>
- Wonderful words of life SDAH 286  
<https://hymnsforworship.org/sdah-286-wonderful-words-life/>
- O God our help SDAH 103  
<https://hymnsforworship.org/sdah-103-o-god-help/>
- We have not known Thee SDAH 291  
<https://hymnsforworship.org/sdah-291-not-known-thee/>
- More Love to Thee SDAH 458  
<https://hymnsforworship.org/sdah-458-love-thee/>
- Come Thou Fount of Ev'ry Blessing  
<https://hymnsforworship.org/sdah-334-come-thou-fount-every-blessing/>

## HYMN NOTES

**BLESSED JESUS, AT THY WORD SDAH 60**

<https://hymnsforworship.org/sdah-060-blessed-jesus-at-thy-word/>

**LIEBSTER JESU 7.8.7.8.8.8.**

"They read in the book in the law of God distinctly, and gave the sense, and cause them to understand the reading."  
Nehemiah 8:8

The people were attentive when Ezra was reading the book of the law. They listened with great intent and reverence as the law was being explained to them by the Lord's messengers. And by understanding the word, it led their hearts and souls to be stirred.

## HYMNS NOTES

### WONDERFUL WORDS OF LIFE, SDAH 286

<https://hymnsforworship.org/sdah-286-wonderful-words-life/>

#### 8.6.8.6.6.6.Ref.

Instead of complaining with the words of God, the people greatly appreciated the messages of rebuke. "As they listened from day to day to the words of the law, the people had been convicted of their transgressions, and of the sins of their nation in past generations. They saw that it was because of a departure from God that His protecting care had been withdrawn...and they determined to seek His mercy and to pledge themselves to walk in His commandments." PK665.3

Indeed, this is the reaction of a people who appreciate God's wonderful words of life and beauty that teaches faith and duty.

### WE HAVE NOT KNOWN THEE, SDAH 291

<https://hymnsforworship.org/sdah-291-not-known-thee/>

#### ST. CHRYSOSTOM 8.8.8.8.8.8.

**RECOMMENDED TUNE: VENI EMMANUEL (SDAH 115) or ST. CATHERINE (SDAH 304)**

This hymn is such an apt response of a true converted Christian when rebuked of their sins. May we all pray the same prayer.

*We have not loved Thee as we ought, nor cared that we are loved by Thee;  
Thy presence we have coldly sought, and feebly longed Thy face to see.  
Lord, give a pure and loving heart to feel and own the love Thou art.*

### MORE LOVE TO THEE, SDAH 458

<https://hymnsforworship.org/sdah-458-love-thee/>

#### 6.4.6.4.6.6.6.4.

Every true turning to the Lord brings abiding joy into the life. When a sinner yields to the influence of the Holy Spirit, he sees his own guilt and defilement in contrast with the holiness of the great Searcher of hearts. He sees himself condemned as a transgressor. But he is not, because of this, to give way to despair; for his pardon has already been secured. He may rejoice in the sense of sins forgiven, in the love of a pardoning heavenly Father. It is God's glory to encircle sinful, repentant human beings in the arms of His love, to bind up their wounds, to cleanse them from sin, and to clothe them with the garments of salvation. – {PK 668.3}