

Year A, The Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany

OT-5, Psalm 112



Praises be to **You**, O **Gracious** One!
Blessed are those who reverence the **Holy** One, who delight in **Love Consciousness**!
For they **dwel**l with the **Be-loved**,
and their children will learn of **peace** and **justice**.

Abundance and **wholeness** will be their **heritage**,
and truth will **be** their **banner**.
Light penetrates the darkness for **those** who face their **fears**;
Love stands by them with mercy **and** for-**giveness**.

It goes well for **those** who are loving and **kind**,
who live their days with **justice** and in-**tegrity**.
They become co-**creators** with the **Di-vine** One;
they bless the world **with** their **presence**.

In times of trouble, they **know** not **fear**;
their hearts are firm, trusting in your **Loving** Companion Presence.
Yes, their hearts are **steady**, they are not a-**frai**d,
even their enemies are **blessed** by their **love**.

They are generous and **give freely**;
the needy are offered **shelter** and **food**;
justice and mercy **make** their **home** there;
and their righteousness en-**dures** for-**ever**.

The unloving are **witness** to **this**;
who knows when the **Seed** will find a fertile **heart**?
The fruits of **those** who know **Love**
are blessing **to all**!