

## SERMON NOTES

13<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost, Proper 16, Year A \* August 27, 2023  
Isaiah 51:1-6 \* Psalm 138 \* Romans 12:1-8 \* Matthew 16:13-20

## NEXT WEEK'S LESSONS

Jeremiah 15:15-21 \* Psalm 26 \* Romans 12:9-21 \* Matthew 16:21-28

## Chewing on Our Daily Bread

Questions for conversation with your family, a small group, or a friend

1. What is a way you've sacrificed something of yourself – your time, talent, or treasure – for God recently?
2. What is something you're good at and like to do?
3. Do you ever get to do what you just described for God? How, when, and where?
4. What do you see is your role and function in the Messiah family? How do you serve? And what do you get out of it?
5. PRAY:
  - ✦ Thanking God for the gifts and talents he's given you.
  - ✦ Thanking God for opportunities to utilize your talents for him.
  - ✦ For grace to notice needs in the Messiah family and in our community, that you could help meet with your gifts, talents, and skills.
  - ✦ For courage and energy to address those needs.
  - ✦ For any needs in your group.