



Bible study for the week starting November 26, 2023

SHARE

Think for a moment about something for which you have passion – something you are really passionate about. What is it? How do you feel when others join in and participate with you?

READ/STUDY/DISCUSS

1. Read **Matthew 35:31-46** again. When Jesus the King says, “. . . as you did it or did not do it to one of the least of these my brothers you did it or did not do it to me” who was He speaking of? That is, who are the “least of these my brothers”? Give reasons for your answer.
2. What opportunities have you had recently to serve one of the “least of these my brothers”? What went well? What would you have changed? What responsibility does your congregation have in providing training for these types of opportunities, or for providing the opportunities themselves?
3. Compare **Matthew 25:34** with **Matthew 25:41**. What do you notice about the destinations and for whom they were prepared? What does the fact that the destination of the “goats” was not prepared for them tell you about the Lord?
4. Skim through **Psalms 72** paying special attention to vv. 1-7, 12-14, and 16-17. What are some of the blessings that flow from the King to His people? How does these blessing affect the ability to care for the “least of these my brothers”?
5. In **Matthew 10**, Jesus sends out his apostles to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. In v. 16 He instructs them, “Behold, I am sending you as sheep in the midst of wolves, so be wise as serpents and innocent as doves.” How might this instruction also apply to us as we are for “the least of these”?

PRAY

Pray for open eyes to see opportunities to serve, open ears to hear the Spirit’s guidance, and wisdom in how to care.



Matthew 25:31-46

November 26, 2023 – Pastor Marvin St. Pierre

What the King says, GOES.

If we think of MONEY as the source of all good, then before long we start to serve MONEY.

“I have come that they might have life
and have it to the FULL (NIV)
and have it ABUNDANTLY (ESV)
and have it MORE ABUNDANTLY (KJV)

What Scripture reveals about God

He lives as our RIGHTEOUSNESS. (*Jeremiah 23:6*)

He SANCTIFIES us. (*Exodus 31:13*)

He makes PEACE with us. (*John 20:19*)

He grants us His PRESENCE. (*Ezekiel 48:35*)

He HEALS our diseases. (*Exodus 16:26*)

He PROVIDES everything we have. (*Genesis 22:14*)

He showers you with His LOVE and PROTECTION.

(*Exodus 17:15*)

He is the SHEPHERD who leads you into green pastures
and beside quiet waters. (*Psalms 23:1*)

You have been DESIGNED from the foundation of the world
to SERVE others.

Next week we celebrate the first Sunday in Advent