

Here's a 5-day Bible reading plan and devotional guide based on the themes from this week's message from guest minister Pastor Alfonza Scott.:



Day 1: Deeper Roots, Sweeter Fruit

Reading: John 15:1-8

Devotional: Just as a vine needs deep, strong roots to produce sweet fruit, our spiritual lives require depth to bear the fruit God desires. Today's passage reminds us that Christ is the true vine, and we are the branches. To produce good fruit, we must remain deeply connected to Him. Reflect on your current spiritual "root system." Are you deeply rooted in Christ through prayer, Bible study, and fellowship? Or are you feeling disconnected? Take time today to deepen your connection with Jesus, knowing that as you do, He will produce sweet fruit in your life that nourishes others and glorifies God.

Day 2: The Power of Persistent Labor

Reading: Galatians 6:7-10

Devotional: The sermon mentioned farmers anxiously waiting to see the results of their harvest after a year of hard work. Similarly, our spiritual lives require consistent, patient labor. We may not always see immediate results, but God promises that we will reap a harvest if we don't give up. Consider areas in your life where you've been laboring faithfully - perhaps in prayer, serving others, or resisting temptation. Even if you can't see results yet, trust that God is working. Ask Him for the strength to persist, knowing that in due time, you will see the fruit of your labor.

Day 3: Bearing Fruit That Lasts

Reading: Matthew 7:15-20

Devotional: Today's passage teaches us that true disciples of Christ are known by their fruit. The sermon emphasized the importance of being a "producer" for God's kingdom. What kind of fruit is your life producing? Is it fruit that will last and impact others for eternity? Take an honest inventory of your actions, words, and attitudes. Are they reflecting Christ's character? Ask God to help you bear fruit that clearly identifies you as His follower and brings glory to His name.

Day 4: Worship that Transforms

Reading: Romans 12:1-2

Devotional: The sermon stated, "The depth of your worship makes the difference in the ripeness of your fruit." True worship isn't just about singing on Sundays; it's about offering our entire lives to God. As we do this, He transforms us from the inside out, producing spiritual fruit in our lives. Today, consider how you can make your daily activities an act of worship. Whether at work, with family, or alone, how can you offer each moment to God? Ask Him to deepen your worship, knowing it will result in a more fruitful life.

Day 5: Rooted in Christ's Sacrifice

Reading: Colossians 2:6-7

Devotional: The sermon vividly described Christ's sacrifice on the cross - how He endured for our sake. This supreme act of love is the foundation of our faith. As today's passage states, we are to be "rooted and built up in him." Spend time meditating on Christ's sacrifice. Let the reality of His love sink deep into your heart. How does this change your perspective on your daily challenges? Ask God to help you live in a way that demonstrates your gratitude for His sacrifice, allowing your roots to grow ever deeper in His love and your life to bear sweet fruit for His glory.