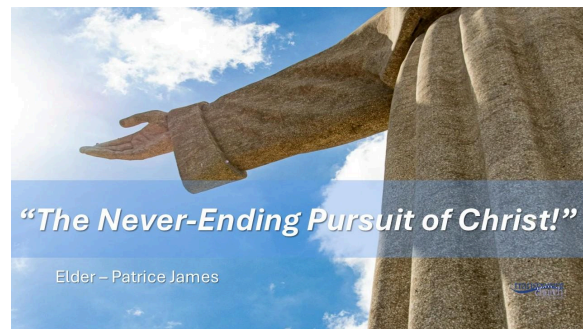


Here's a 5-day Bible reading plan and devotional guide based on the themes from this week's message from Elder James



Day 1: The Never-Ending Pursuit of Christ

Reading: [Philippians 3:12-14](#)

Devotional: Just as Paul describes in this passage, our relationship with Christ is not a one-time decision, but a continual pursuit. Reflect on your own spiritual journey. Are you actively pursuing Christ with the same fervor as when you first believed? Consider areas where you may have become complacent and ask God to renew your passion for Him. Today, commit to taking one specific action that demonstrates your desire to know Christ more deeply.

Day 2: God's Unfailing Love

Reading: [Ephesians 3:17-19](#)

Devotional: God's love for us is immeasurable and constant, even when we falter. This passage invites us to comprehend the vastness of Christ's love. Take a moment to recall times when you've felt distant from God or unworthy of His love. Now, meditate on the truth that His love for you never wavered during those moments. How does this realization change your perspective on your relationship with God? Express your gratitude for His unfailing love in prayer.

Day 3: Seeking God First

Reading: [Matthew 6:33](#)

Devotional: In a world full of distractions, Jesus calls us to prioritize seeking God's kingdom above all else. Examine your daily routines and priorities. Where does seeking God fit into your schedule? Challenge yourself to start each day by acknowledging God's presence and inviting Him to guide your decisions. Consider practical ways you can put God first in your work, relationships, and personal time.

Day 4: Finding Strength in God's Presence

Reading: [Isaiah 55:6-7](#)

Devotional: This passage urges us to seek the Lord while He may be found. It's a reminder that God is always accessible to us, but we must actively pursue Him. Think about times when you've felt God's presence strongly in your life. What were the circumstances? How did you

approach God? Today, create intentional moments of stillness to seek God's presence. Listen for His voice and be open to His guidance in your current situations.

Day 5: Enduring Faith in Trials

Reading: James 1:2-4

Devotional: Our faith journey often includes trials and challenges. James encourages us to view these difficulties as opportunities for spiritual growth. Reflect on a current struggle in your life. How might God be using this situation to develop your character and deepen your faith? Pray for the strength to persevere and the wisdom to learn from this experience. Remember that God is with you in every trial, shaping you to be more like Christ.