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WEEK 1

HIGHLIGHTS

PROMPTS

MON
GENESIS 1-3

- Creation Story, Days 1-7
- Adam & Eve Before the Fall
- Fall of Man

*In Chapter 3, Satan accused God of lying.
How else could Eve have responded?*

TUE
GENESIS 4-7

- Cain Kills Abel
- Birth of Seth, Adam's Third Son
- Genealogy, Adam to Noah
- Existence of the Nephilim
- Noah's Ark

*Notice Cain's sarcasm.
How did humanity fall so far in just one generation?*

WED
GENESIS 8-11

- Noah's Ark (Cont.)
- Genealogy, Noah's Three Sons
- Tower of Babel
- Genealogy, Shem to Abraham
- Introduction to Abraham

*Here are two more tracings of the generations of God's people.
Why are they so important?*

THU
JOB 1-6

- God allows Devil to Test Job
- Job Shares His Feelings
- Job's Friends Share Theses
- Job Responds

*Read 2:10 again.
Think of times you could use Job's question instead of a complaint.*

FRI
JOB 7-9

- Eliphaz Speaks
- Job Replies
- Bildad Speaks
- Job Replies

Where do you see faulty reasoning in either Eliphaz's or Bildad's thinking?

SAT
JOB 10-13

- Zophar Speaks, Job Replies

Where do you see faulty reasoning in Zophar's thinking?

SUN
JOB 14-16

- Eliphaz & Job Visits

What strikes you most deeply about Job's response to his friends?

WEEK 2

HIGHLIGHTS

PROMPTS

MON
JOB 17-20

- Job Converses with Bildad and Zophar

What part of these exchanges strikes you most, and why?

TUE
JOB 21-23

- Job Continues the Discussion with Eliphaz

What do you think Job is most frustrated about at this point?

WED
JOB 24-28

- Job's Friends Offer Advice
- Job Begins to Give the Final Word

What part of these exchanges strikes you most deeply, and why?

THU
JOB 29-31

- Job's Final Defense

Has Job's defense changed since the beginning? How has it grown?

FRI
JOB 32-34

- Elihu Introduced
- Elihu is Angry at Job and the Three Friends

How is Elihu different than the three friends?

SAT
JOB 35-37

- Elihu Tries to Reason with Job on Behalf of God

What is the flaw in Elihu's reasoning?

SUN
JOB 38-39

- The Lord Speaks

The Lord seems angry here. Why is He angry?

HIGHLIGHTS

PROMPTS

MON
JOB 40-42

- The Lord Continues Speaking
- Job Replies to the Lord
- Epilogue: Restoration for Job

Job's answer seems incredibly humble. What can we learn from it?

TUE
GENESIS 12-15

- God Calls Abram
- Abram Tells a Half-Truth
- Abram & Lot
- Melchizedek & Abram
- God Promises Abram Blessings

Melchizedek is considered one of the more intriguing characters in the Old Testament.

Why?

WED
GENESIS 16-18

- Abram, Hagar & Ishmael
- Abram Renamed Abraham
- Sarai Renamed Sarah
- Isaac is a Promise from God
- Abraham Sees the Lord, Intercedes for Sodom

How did God show compassion toward Hagar & Ishmael?

THU
GENESIS 19-21

- Sodom & Gomorrah
- Lot Seduced by Daughters
- Abraham's Half-Truth Again
- Birth of Isaac
- Hagar & Ishmael, a Blessing
- Abraham & Abimelech Agree

People are often surprised to find that stories like that of Lot & his daughters are included in the Bible.

Why was it important to be honest & truthful?

FRI
GENESIS 22-24

- Abraham's Sacrifice of Isaac
- Death of Sarah
- Search for Rebekah

Look at the servant's dedication in finding Rebekah.

In what areas of life can we apply this same dedication?

SAT
GENESIS 25-26

- Abraham's Wife Keturah
- Abraham's Death
- Birth of Esau & Jacob
- Esau Sells his Birthright
- Isaac's Adventures

What are some of the differences between Esau & Jacob—physically, as well as intellectually & spiritually?

SUN
GENESIS 27-29

- Jacob Steals Esau's Blessing
- Jacob's Ladder Dream
- Jacob Marries Leah & Rachel

Jacob had to learn patience in the marriage game.

What in your life requires patience?

HIGHLIGHTS

PROMPTS

MON

GENESIS 30-31

- Jacob has More Children
- Jacob Deceives Father-in-Law
- Jacob Flees Father-in-Law

Was Jacob right to deceive Laban?

How would you have handled it?

TUE

GENESIS 32-34

- Jacob Prepares to Meet Esau
- Jacob Renamed Israel
- Jacob Meets Esau
- Jacob's Daughter Attacked

Did you find Esau's response to Jacob surprising?

Why or why not?

WED

GENESIS 35-37

- Rachel Dies in Childbirth
- Genealogy: Jacob's Sons
- Genealogy: Esau's Sons
- Joseph's Dreams
- Joseph Sold by His Brothers

Per Joseph's brothers, why is jealousy such a dangerous & destructive force?

What or who have you been jealous of?

THU

GENESIS 38-40

- Treacherous Family
- Joseph is Sexually Harassed & Jailed
- Joseph Interprets Two Dreams

Joseph wound up jailed for doing the right thing.

When have you been treated unfairly for doing good? How did God help?

FRI

GENESIS 41-42

- Joseph Interprets Pharaoh's Dream
- Joseph Succeeds as Leader
- Joseph's Brothers Go to Egypt

Joseph's help was not immediate.

What do you think he learned in the meantime that we can also learn?

SAT

GENESIS 43-45

- A Second Trip to Egypt
- Joseph Ensnares His Brothers
- Joseph Reveals His Identity

What combination of emotions must Joseph have felt upon seeing his brothers?

SUN

GENESIS 46-47

- The Tribe Moves to Egypt
- Joseph Provides Well for All
- Joseph Helps Many Survive

Joseph's forgiveness of his brothers was important to his own success.

Whom do you need to forgive?

HIGHLIGHTS

PROMPTS

MON
GENESIS 48-50

- Jacob Blesses Ephraim & Manasseh
- Jacob Blesses Each of His Sons
- Deaths of Jacob & Joseph

What strikes you as most interesting about Jacob's blessings of his sons?

TUE
EXODUS 1-3

- Between Joseph & Moses
- Israel Oppressed
- Birth of Moses
- Moses Murders & Flees
- Moses at the Burning Bush

Look at what questions Moses asked God.

Do you ever feel afraid to ask God about things?

What are you afraid he will say?

WED
EXODUS 4-6

- Moses Questions God
- Moses Returns to Egypt
- Double Work for Slaves
- God Promises Redemption
- Genealogy: Moses & Aaron
- Aaron to Speak for Moses

Moses was obedient, yet it looked like all he got was double work for the slaves.

Have you ever obeyed God and it looked at first like things got worse?

What happened?

THU
EXODUS 7-9

- Aaron's Staff Becomes a Snake
- Plagues 1-7

Which plague so far would you least like to experience in your area?

FRI
EXODUS 10-12

- Plagues 7-10
- Passover Tradition
- The Exodus Begins
- Passover Rules

Put yourself in Pharaoh's shoes.

He's visualizing the loss of his slave labor; what else do you think went through his mind?

SAT
EXODUS 13-15

- God's Guiding Pillars
- Crossing the Red Sea
- Song of Celebration
- Water Turned Drinkable

Moses had to pray at the sea all night before God parted the water.

What has made you pray continuously?

SUN
EXODUS 16-18

- Food from Heaven
- Water from a Rock
- Hebrews' First War: Amalekites
- Moses' Father-in-Law Visits

The people thought God would let them die in the wilderness.

Have you ever felt a lack of faith?

What happened?

WEEK 6

HIGHLIGHTS

PROMPTS

MON
EXODUS 19-21

- God Appears at Mt. Sinai
- The Ten Commandments
- Rules: Servants & Personal Injuries

Have you ever felt the sight of something would make you faint?

What do you think Moses felt upon seeing God?

TUE
EXODUS 22-24

- Protection of Property
- Social Responsibility
- Laws of Justice & Mercy
- Sabbath Laws
- Three Annual Festivals
- God's Angel Sent Ahead
- Covenant Confirmed

Name a couple of these laws that strike you most deeply and reflect on why.

WED
EXODUS 25-27

- Instructions for Building the Tabernacle

Why do you think God was being so precise?

THU
EXODUS 28-29

- Tabernacle Instructions Continued

What instructions struck you most deeply and why?

FRI
EXODUS 30-32

- Tabernacle Instructions Continued
- Sabbath Instructions
- Golden Calf Idol

Why do you think ancient people were so driven to worship objects?

What are some modern idols we worship?

SAT
EXODUS 33-35

- God is Not Going
- Tent Meeting
- Moses & God's Glory
- New Stone Tablets
- Moses' Face Shines

When Moses' face shone, do you think the people wished they'd have been able to experience that?

How would you feel if you saw a piece of God?

SUN
EXODUS 36-38

- Moses Assigns Jobs
- The Curtains Made
- Ark of the Covenant Created
- Tabernacle Detailed

What struck you as most memorable in these passages and why?

WEEK 7

HIGHLIGHTS

PROMPTS

MON
EXODUS 39-40

- Priestly Garments
- Moses Inspects Tabernacle
- God Visits the Tabernacle

What stood out to you in these verses and why?

TUE
LEVITICUS 1-4

- Four Types of Offerings

Why does God say it is cathartic to give (the offerings) after you do something wrong?

WED
LEVITICUS 5-7

- More on Offerings

Some offering instructions that seem strange to modern Christians have to do with health & sanitation issues.

What do you see here that applies today?

THU
LEVITICUS 8-10

- Regulations for Offerings (Cont.)
- Preparation of Priests
- Two of Aarons Sons Die

Surrounding pagan cultures were demanding human sacrifices.

Reflect on the only human sacrifice God sanctified in Judeo-Christian history.

FRI
LEVITICUS 11-13

- Animals Considered Clean
- Purification After Childbirth
- Cleaning: Skin Diseases & Mold

Pick some rules and state how you feel they protected people.

SAT
LEVITICUS 14-15

- More Cleansing from Skin Disease
- Bodily Discharges & Cleansings

Pick some rules and state how you feel they prevented the spread of disease or germs.

SUN
LEVITICUS 16-18

- Rules: Day of Atonement
- Rules about Animal Blood
- Rules about Sexual Relations

Pick some rules and state how you feel they prevented people from hurting each other.

HIGHLIGHTS

PROMPTS

MON

LEVITICUS 19-21

- Miscellaneous Laws
- Punishments for Severe Sins
- Marriage Rules for Priests

Pick some laws and describe how God was protecting the heartbroken & abused.

TUE

LEVITICUS 22-23

- Behavior around Sacrifices
- Defining Festivals

What stands out in this passage and why?

WED

LEVITICUS 24-25

- Oil & Bread
- Sins Worthy of Death
- Instructions Involving
- Sabbatical Years

The law highlighted good behavior, but had no power to influence behavior.

Reflect on the need for the Holy Spirit.

THU

LEVITICUS 26-27

- Rewards & Punishments
- Vows, Dedications to the Lord

Reflect on a few rules herein that prevent people from hurting each other.

FRI

NUMBERS 1-2

- Rules for Locating Tribes in Camp

Well over 2 million people left Egypt.

Reflect on the ways God and Moses tried to contain their behavior.

SAT

NUMBERS 3-4

- Rules for Locating Tribes in Camp (Cont.)

An important component of order was giving people an identity.

How did these rules help?

SUN

NUMBERS 5-6

- Rules for Cleansing
- The Nazirite Vow

It is now known that fermented food/ beverages can cause inflammation in the digestive track & even the brain.

Why should holy people try to be healthy?

HIGHLIGHTS

PROMPTS

MON
NUMBERS 7

- Tabernacle Dedication Offering

The Jews were extraordinary record keepers.

Why is this fact important?

TUE
NUMBERS 8-10

- Setting Apart of the Levites
- Celebrating Passover
- Cloud above the Tabernacle
- Silver Trumpets
- Leaving Sinai

If God brought a cloud over a certain part of your neighborhood each day, how would it improve your faith?

WED
NUMBERS 11-13

- Fire & Quail from God
- Miriam & Aaron Rebel
- Spies Find Nephilim in Canaan

God becomes infuriated at the final report in Ch. 13.

Try to count the miracles the people had seen to this point and reflect on his anger.

THU
NUMBERS 14-15;
PSALM 90

- Lack of Trust Angers God
- Various Rules
- Psalm Written by Moses

In 14:13 Moses raises a compelling argument.

Would you ever try to reason with God, and if so, what about?

FRI
NUMBERS 16-17

- Three Foolish Young Men
- Aaron's Staff Sprouts

Look at the behavior in 16:12-14.

What would have happened to the Exodus if lots of people acted this way?

SAT
NUMBERS 18-20

- Duties of Priests & Levites
- Water for Cleansing
- Moses' Sin, Hitting the Rock
- Death of Aaron

Per Chapter 20, what emotions likely made Moses hit the rock twice?

SUN
NUMBERS 21-22

- Moses Makes Bronze Snake
- Moab, Sihon, & Og
- Balaam's Donkey Speaks

How is the raising of the bronze snake a foreshadowing of the crucifixion?

HIGHLIGHTS

PROMPTS

MON

NUMBERS 23-25

- Three Messages of Balaam
- Four More of Balaam's Messages
- Men Sin with the Moabites

What were the reasons for God's displeasure with Balaam?

TUE

NUMBERS 26-27

- Moses Takes a Second Census
- Five Sisters Receive Property
- Joshua Will Succeed Moses

Numbers 27:8-11 is typical in its detail of the early laws.

What in their nature made God want laws to be so specific?

WED

NUMBERS 28-30

- More Rules about Offerings, Festivals, and Vows

Which of these stands out to you and why?

THU

NUMBERS 31-32

- Moses Carries Out Revenge on the Midianites
- The Reubenites & Gadites

Why was revenge considered acceptable for a nation establishing itself?

FRI

NUMBERS 33-34

- Israel's Journey Laid Out
- Borders of Canaan Established

What do you see in this reading that is most hopeful?

SAT

NUMBERS 35-36

- Towns for the Levites
- Cities of Refuge
- Limitations on Female Property Owners

Why is a city of refuge important?

SUN

DEUTERONOMY 1-2

- Israel Wanders the Desert

Have you ever given someone a gift and they were ungrateful for your time & effort?

How did you feel?

HIGHLIGHTS

PROMPTS

MON

DEUTERONOMY 3-4

- Israel's Wanderings End
- God's Words to Israel

What are some things these people learned while wandering for 40 years?

TUE

DEUTERONOMY 5-7

- God's Words to Israel (Cont.)

God was being very stern and almost redundant.

Why?

WED

DEUTERONOMY 8-10

- God's Commands
- Tablets Recreated
- Repeat of Golden Calf Story

If a person destroyed a gift you made with lack of gratitude, under what circumstances would you recreate it?

THU

DEUTERONOMY 11-13

- Obey & Love God
- One Place of Worship
- Idolatry Warnings

After Jesus sent the Holy Spirit, people could worship God anywhere.

Why was the one place of worship important back then?

FRI

DEUTERONOMY 14-16

- Clean & Unclean Food
- Tithing
- Seven-Year Debt Cancellation
- Freeing Servants
- First-Born Animals
- The Festivals, Judges

These rules sound a bit strange.

But how can you apply the principles to your life today?

SAT

DEUTERONOMY 17-20

- Sacrifices Without Defects
- Law Courts
- Whether Israel Wants a King
- Occult Practice Forbidden
- Prophets God Raises

In 18:14-21, God promises to raise prophets to tell the people his words.

How much do you feel prophets are needed today?

SUN

DEUTERONOMY 21-23

- Various Laws

Reflect on one law & how it shows love for God or others.

HIGHLIGHTS

PROMPTS

MON

DEUTERONOMY 24-27

- Miscellaneous Rules
- First Fruits & Tithes
- Follow God's Commands
- Altar on Mount Ebal
- Cursed is Anyone Who...

God is being very strict with these people one last time before giving them power.

Did his strict words end up making a difference? Keep reading to find out...

TUE

DEUTERONOMY 28-29

- Blessings for Obedience
- Curses for Disobedience
- Renewal of the Covenant

Some religions only focus on the positive.

Why does ours focus on the negative as well?

WED

DEUTERONOMY 30-31

- When God Restores
- Choose Life or Death
- Joshua Will Succeed Moses
- Prediction of Rebellion

Apply Deuteronomy 31:23 to something occurring in your own life.

THU

DEUTERONOMY 32-34;
PSALM 91

- Song of Moses
- Moses to Die on Mount Nebo
- Moses' Blessing on the Tribes
- Death of Moses
- A Psalm of Protection

How do the blessings of the tribes make you think about how God has blessed, or will bless, your family?

FRI

JOSHUA 1-4

- Joshua Installed as Leader after Moses' Death
- Rabab & the Spies in Jericho
- Miracle at Crossing the Jordan

What was amazing about Rahab's insight into the God of the Hebrew people?

SAT

JOSHUA 5-8

- Circumcision at Gilgal
- Fall of Jericho
- A Whole Family is Punished for a Father's Sin
- The Attack on Ai

To conquer Jericho, Israel had to do some things that must have looked ridiculous to the people watching.

Why was this important?

SUN

JOSHUA 9-12

- Deception of the Gibeonites
- Miracle: Sun Standing Still
- All the Kings Defeated

The sun standing still is often considered the most stunning miracle of the Old Testament.

Write your feelings on it.

HIGHLIGHTS

PROMPTS

MON

JOSHUA 13-15

- Land to be Taken
- Division of the East
- Division of the West
- Allotment for Caleb
- Allotment for Judah

The land taken was from the descendants of Noah who had turned to other gods.

How are the wars for these lands justified?

TUE

JOSHUA 16-18

- Allotment for Ephraim & Manasseh
- Allotment for Others

What strikes you most deeply about this reading and why?

WED

JOSHUA 19-21

- Allotments for Simeon, Zebulun, Issachar, Asher, Naphtali, Dan, Joshua, Cities of Refuge, Levites

God told the people he would go before them and fight.

Why was it important for them to fight for the land they would own?

THU

JOSHUA 22-24

- Eastern Tribes
- Return Home
- Death of Joshua

Pertaining to Joshua's last speech: If we tried to tell people today to throw out their little Buddhas, how would they respond?

FRI

JUDGES 1-3

- Wars after the Death of Joshua
- Unheeded Warnings, Defeat
- First 3 Judges: Othniel, Ehud, Shamgar

In the end of chapter 1, it becomes an issue that the defeated people were not driven out.

Why didn't God want them there?

SAT

JUDGES 4-5

- 4th Judge: Deborah

Reflect on any "Deborahs of today" who may be brushed off because of misogynistic church undertones.

SUN

JUDGES 6-8

- 5th Judge: Gideon

Picking soldiers over drinking practices is ridiculous.

What was God trying to demonstrate?

HIGHLIGHTS

PROMPTS

MON
JUDGES 9-11

- 6th Judge: Abimelek
- 7th–9th Judges: Tola, Jair, Jephthah

Like Abimelek, think of some people today who have been enticed to evil by power.

TUE
JUDGES 12-16

- Jephthah (Cont.)
- 10th Judge: Ephraim
- 11th-14th Judges: Ibzan, Elon, & Abdon
- 15th Judge: Samson

Samson was seduced by surface beauty.

Reflect on a circumstance wherein this has happened, or could have happened, to you.

WED
JUDGES 17-18

- Micah's Idols
- The Danites

Micah's idol infested an entire community eventually.

How do some of our sins affect those around us?

THU
JUDGES 19-21

- First Mutilation in Israel
- Israel Punishes Tribe of Benjamin

How did the people respond to this gang rape?

Why do we shrug off some violence today?

FRI
RUTH 1-4

- Naomi's & Ruth's Predicament
- Boaz is Kind to Ruth
- The Threshing Floor
- Boaz & Ruth Marry, Produce David's Grandfather

What would it be like to move to a different country, to people whose ways are very different from yours?

SAT
1 SAMUEL 1-3

- Hannah Dedicates Samuel in Gratitude
- Eli the Priest Has Wicked Sons
- Samuel as a Boy Hears God

Think of the biggest sacrifice you would be willing to make out of gratitude.

How would God respond?

SUN
1 SAMUEL 4-8

- The Philistines, the Ark, & Eli's Death
- The Ark is Returned to Israel
- Samuel & God Prevent Attack
- Israel Asks for a King

Samuel and God were sad when the people asked for a king.

Why? How is Christian fixation on American politics a little like wanting a king?

HIGHLIGHTS

PROMPTS

MON

1 SAMUEL 9-12

- Samuel Anoints Saul
- Saul Becomes King
- Saul is the Hero at Jabesh
- Samuel's Farewell Speech

What struck you deepest about Samuel's farewell speech?

TUE

1 SAMUEL 13-14

- Saul Makes Early Mistakes
- Trouble with the Philistines

What mistakes did Saul make? Why were they bad?

WED

1 SAMUEL 15-17

- God Rejects Saul as King
- Samuel Anoints the Youngest
- David & Goliath

God often appoints the youngest, weakest, or least likely.

Why do you think that is?

THU

1 SAMUEL 18-20;
PSALMS 11, 59

- Saul Pursues David in Jealousy
- Two Early Psalms of David

Have you ever been falsely accused and persecuted?

How is it like or different from David's persecution?

FRI

1 SAMUEL 21-24

- Saul Continues His Pursuit

How can we spend time waiting for God's deliverance?

SAT

PSALMS 7, 27, 31, 34, 52

- Psalms of David

Think of words that describe David & these psalms.

SUN

PSALMS 56, 120, 140-142

- Psalms of David

What personal anxieties do you have that David's prayers can help quell?

WEEK 16

HIGHLIGHTS

PROMPTS

MON

1 SAMUEL 25-27

- David Marries Abigail
- David Spares Saul's Life Again
- David Lives Among Philistines

David is gathering depth of character.

Name some specific virtues that he is learning.

TUE

PSALMS 17, 35, 54, 63

- Psalms of David

David is not afraid to reason with God when he wants something.

What are some examples?

WED

1 SAMUEL 28-31;
PSALM 18

- Saul & the Witch of Endor
- David Leaves the Philistines
- David Destroys the Amalekites
- Death of Saul & his Sons

What did Samuel say to Saul about speaking to the dead? What were the consequences?

Why do you think God hates this so much?

THU

PSALMS 121, 123-125, 128-130

- Psalms of Worship & Reverence

The psalms have changed tone from the ones read last week.

How have David's circumstances changed?

FRI

2 SAMUEL 1-4

- David Finds Out Saul is Dead
- Problems Between David & Saul

In 1 Samuel 13, God calls David "a man after his own heart."

Describe David's heart towards this enemy King Saul.

SAT

PSALMS 6, 8-10, 14, 16, 19, 21

- Psalms of Reflections

How can we use some of these verses in our anxious lives?

SUN

1 CHRONICLES 1-2

- Genealogy: Adam to Abraham
- 12 Tribes of Israel, Names
- Descendants of Judah

Genealogies can seem boring.

However, what does the inclusion of Adam tell you about his authenticity in history?

HIGHLIGHTS

PROMPTS

MON

PSALMS 43-45, 49, 84-85, 87

- Psalms by Sons of Korah

Pick one psalm and reflect on how it applies to our nation today.

TUE

1 CHRONICLES 3-5

- Descendants of Judah (Cont.)
- Kings of Judah
- Royal Line after the Exile
- Other Clans of Judah
- Descendants of the Tribes

What does a list of names mean?

How do these lists vouch for the intentions of the writers?

What would they like to prove about their own credibility?

WED

PSALMS 73, 77-78

- Psalms of Asaph

As you did Monday, pick a psalm and reflect on how it applies to our nation today.

THU

1 CHRONICLES 6

- Descendants of Levi

The Levites were the only tribe not given a location, being priests.

What does this tell you about how God wants people treated when they don't own much?

FRI

PSALMS 81, 88, 92-93

- Psalms Mixture, Authors/ Moods

Pick a psalm and reflect on how it applies to your life.

SAT

1 CHRONICLES 7-10

- Descendants of the Tribes (Cont.)
- Sons & Chief Men of Benjamin
- Who Returned from Exile
- The Death of King Saul

Jews were exacting record keepers.

Did they know so many people would end up reading their work, and if so, what were they trying to accomplish?

SUN

PSALMS 102-104

- Three Very Different Psalms

Name some differences between these three psalms.

When could each be useful to you?

WEEK 18

HIGHLIGHTS

PROMPTS

MON
2 SAMUEL 5:1-10;
1 CHRONICLES 11-12

- David Becomes King
- King David Captures Jerusalem Warriors

What are the differences between these two passages covering the same event?

TUE
PSALM 133

- Psalm of Praise & Unity

David likely wrote this psalm for or after his coronation.

What does it mean to you?

WED
PSALMS 106-107

- Psalms of Praise

Name several lines in succession that you relate to the most.

THU
2 SAM. 5:11-25; 2 SAM.
6:1-23; 1 CHRON. 13-16

- David Gets the Promise, Conquers Jerusalem
- Ark Comes to Jerusalem;

David was as excited as we've ever seen anyone when the Ark came home.

What would excite you this much?

FRI
PSALMS 1-2, 15, 22- 24,
47, 68

- Variety of Psalms

Which psalms resonate with you more and why—the happy or the suffering?

SAT
PSALMS 89, 96, 100,
101, 105, 132

- Psalms of Praise

What can you take from these psalms into your personal worship?

SUN
2 SAMUEL 7; 1
CHRONICLES 17

- David Will Plan the Temple
- 1 Chronicles Records this Story

How do these stories differ?

What's important in each?

HIGHLIGHTS

PROMPTS

MON

PSALMS 25, 29, 33,
36, 39

- Various Psalms

David wrote Psalm 33 after being forgiven for adultery.

What has God forgiven you for?

What can you learn David?

TUE

2 SAMUEL 8-9;
1 CHRONICLES 18

- David's Military Victories
- David is Kind to Saul's Relative
- 1 Chronicles of David's Victories

Saul chased David for 15 years.

Why would David seek out a relative of Saul to be kind to?

What can we learn from this?

WED

PSALMS 50, 53, 60, 75

- Various Psalms

Which psalm strikes you most deeply and why?

THU

2 SAMUEL 10;
1 CHRONICLES 19; PSALM 20

- David Defeats the Amorites

"Paranoid" is a good word to describe King Hanun. How can we keep from being paranoid today?

FRI

PSALMS 65-67, 69-70

- Various Psalms

Which psalm strikes you most deeply and why?

SAT

2 SAMUEL 11-12;
1 CHRONICLES 20

- David & Bathsheba
- David Takes Plunder
- Goliath's Relatives Killed

David is still winning, but starts to get careless.

What can we learn and apply to winning stages of our lives?

SUN

PSALMS 32, 51, 86, 122

- Various Psalms

Which psalm strikes you most deeply and why?

HIGHLIGHTS

PROMPTS

MON

2 SAMUEL 13-15

- Amnon Commits Rape; Absalom Kills Him
- Absalom Conspires Against David

We sometimes say, “those kids get away with murder.”

What was the consequence of David’s inaction?

TUE

PSALMS 3-4, 12-13, 28, 55

- Various Psalms

Psalms 3-4 were written after David’s own son attempted a coup.

How can his words help us in times of heartbreak?

WED

2 SAMUEL 16-18

- David Flees Absalom
- The Death of Absalom

How was the loss of his child compounded in David’s case?

THU

PSALMS 26, 40, 58, 61-62, 64

- Various Psalms

These psalms reveal patience.

In what ways?

FRI

2 SAMUEL 19-21

- David Returns to Jerusalem
- Sheba Rebels
- Strange Peace with the Gibeonites

Chapter 21 seems really gross.

Why do you think David offered seven lives? Was it worth it?

SAT

PSALMS 5, 38, 41-42

- Various Psalms

Pick the psalm that gives you the most peace.

Explain why.

SUN

2 SAMUEL 22-23;
PSALM 57

- David’s Song of Praise to God
- Last Words of David
- List: David’s Warriors
- A Psalm of Fear of Death

David’s dying words are recorded in 2 Samuel, whereas Psalm 57 records the words of a younger David, afraid of dying.

How are his words different?

HIGHLIGHTS

PROMPTS

MON

PSALMS 95, 97-99

- Various Psalms

Which psalm provides the most comfort in your personal life and why?

TUE

2 SAMUEL 24;
1 CHRON. 21-22; PSALM 30

- David's Counts Fighting Men
- David Builds an Altar

Why did David's census show an incredible lack of faith?

How does vain & ambitious leadership affect the people?

WED

PSALMS 108-110

- Psalms of Protection & Victory

How does the tone of the last psalm change from the ones before it?

THU

1 CHRONICLES 23-25

- Division: The Levites
- Division: Descendants of Aaron
- Musicians Hired for the Temple

David knew he would be long dead by the time these details were carried out.

What was going on in his mind?

FRI

PSALMS 131, 138- 139,
143-145

- Psalms of David

David had a wealth of passionate feelings.

Name some you see in these psalms.

SAT

1 CHRONICLES 26-29;
PSALM 127

- Gatekeepers, Officials Hired
- List of Military Commanders
- David Gives Solomon the Plans
- Temple Donations
- David's Prayer
- A Psalm of Solomon

Why did Solomon inherit such royalty and splendor?

Name some ways parents can help assure their children's spiritual growth and blessings.

SUN

PSALMS 111-118

- Anonymous Psalms

Which lines resonate best with your current life situations?

HIGHLIGHTS

PROMPTS

MON

1 KINGS 1-2;
PSALMS 37, 71, 94

- Solomon Made King
- Various Psalms

God truly blessed a son because of his father. How can we win God's favor on our children?

TUE

PSALM 119:1-88

- Manual of Devotion by Ezra

Which verses resonate with you the most?

WED

1 KINGS 3-4; 2 CHRONICLES 1;
PSALM 72

- Solomon's Prayer for Wisdom
- Solomon Discerns the Mother
- Solomon's Officials, Provisions, Wisdom

Write out a personal prayer for God's wisdom in your own circumstances.

THU

PSALM 119:89-176

- Devotion by Ezra (Cont.)

A favorite is verse 105.

Why is it so important in these times?

FRI

SONG OF SOLOMON 1-8

- Preparation for the Wedding
- A Couple Professes Love
- Being United in Love

How might this book reflect Christ's love for the Church?

SAT

PROVERBS 1-3

- Fear of the Lord, Meaning
- Fear & Wisdom Combined
- Trust is Wisdom

Write out your own definition of fearing the Lord.

SUN

PROVERBS 4-6

- Choose Wisdom, Not Wickedness
- Sexual Temptations

How does your definition of fear of the Lord help you resist some of these temptations?

HIGHLIGHTS

PROMPTS

MON
PROVERBS 7-9

- Sexual Temptations
- Prophetic Passage on Christ
- Choose the Right Banquet

*Verse 8:30 is allegedly prophetic.
List the traits that describe Christ.*

TUE
PROVERBS 10-12

- Solomon's Two-Line Proverbs

Name a theme that stands out & state why it's meaningful to you.

WED
PROVERBS 13-15

- Solomon's Two-Line Proverbs

Why is Solomon's recurring theme of humility so important?

THU
PROVERBS 16-18

- Solomon's Two-Line Proverbs

Name a theme that stands out and state why it's meaningful to you.

FRI
PROVERBS 19-21

- Solomon's Two-Line Proverbs

How do the recurring themes of humility & fear of the Lord relate to each other?

SAT
PROVERBS 22-24

- Solomon's Two-Line Proverbs

Name a theme that stands out and state why it's meaningful to you.

SUN
1 KINGS 5-6; 2
CHRONICLES 2-3

- Solomon Begins Building the Temple

*We now know that people worship God in Spirit and in Truth.
Why was this physical building so important?*

HIGHLIGHTS

PROMPTS

MON
1 KINGS 7;
2 CHRONICLES 4

- Building the Temple (Cont.)

Ornate churches are often chastised for not using the money to serve the poor.

Is this building different? Why or why not?

TUE
1 KINGS 8;
2 CHRONICLES 5

- The Ark Comes to the Temple

Why are the tablets in the Ark important, if their words were already well-known?

WED
2 CHRONICLES 6-7;
PSALM 136

- Solomon's Prayer
- Dedication of the Temple
- God Appears to Solomon

Reread 2 Chronicles 7:13-14.

How does it apply to our nation?

THU
PSALMS 134, 146-150

- Temple Dedication Psalms

We are called "temples" in the New Testament. How can we keep this type of praise in our hearts?

FRI
1 KINGS 9;
2 CHRONICLES 8

- God Appears to Solomon

What did God tell Solomon to do?

How do these things translate into what we can do?

SAT
PROVERBS 25-26

- Solomon's Wisdom, Longer
- Much to Say about the Fool

Jesus says if we call someone a fool, we become foolish.

How does Solomon use the word differently?

SUN
PROVERBS 27-29

- Addendum: 2-10 Line Sayings

Some say these proverbs were added later or were an afterthought.

What verses resonate with you?

HIGHLIGHTS

PROMPTS

MON

ECCLESIASTES 1-6

- Meaninglessness Without God
- A Time for Everything
- Trust God & Enjoy Your Work
- More Things Meaningless
- Fulfill Vows to the Lord
- Riches are Deceitful

Is all of Ecclesiastes true so far?

Where might Solomon have succumbed to depression or negativity that could have temporarily blinded him?

TUE

ECCLESIASTES 7-12

- Chapter Similar to Proverbs
- In an Unfair World, God is Fair
- You Can Still Find Wisdom
- Contentment in Darkness
- The Conclusion of the Matter

What is Solomon's conclusion of the matter, and how does it apply to you & yours?

WED

1 KINGS 10-11;
2 CHRONICLES 9

- Queen of Sheba Visits Solomon
- Solomon's Problems: Wives, Adversaries
- Death of Solomon

In what way did Solomon become greedy, and what problems did it cause?

THU

PROVERBS 30-31

- The Sayings of Agur
- Sayings of King Lemuel
- Traits of a Good Woman

Proverbs 31:10-31 seems to come out of nowhere.

Why was it included?

FRI

1 KINGS 12-14

- Solomon's Son is King
- Jeroboam Sets Up False Idols
- A Prophet Speaks Truth
- Jeroboam Seeks a False Prophet
- Rehoboam Does Evil

Do you know any very devout Christians whose children have strayed from God?

How do you think that happens?

SAT

2 CHRONICLES 10-12

- The Rebellion Against Solomon's Son
- Jerusalem is Attacked

Things can go from good to bad quickly.

When has your life changed quickly, bad or good?

SUN

1 KINGS 15:1-24;
2 CHRONICLES 13-16

- Kings Abijah, Asa

How did these kings differ in their behavior?

HIGHLIGHTS

PROMPTS

MON

1 KINGS 15:25-34; 1 KINGS 16:1-34; 2 CHRONICLES 17

- Kings Nadab, Baasha
- Kings Ela, Zimri, Omri, Ahab
- King Jehoshaphat of Judah

In what main way was King Jehoshaphat different from these other kings?

TUE

1 KINGS 17-19

- Prophet Elijah Calls a Drought
- Ravens Feed Elijah
- Elijah Raises the Widow's Son
- Elijah Defeats Prophets of Baal
- God Speaks to Distressed Elijah
- Introducing Elisha

Elijah could have wound up dead at the scene with the prophets of Baal.

What can we take away from his faith and confidence in God?

WED

1 KINGS 20-21

- Ahab Defeats Ben-Hadad
- Ahab Commits Murder & Repents

Often a small godly army defeats a huge one.

What does this tell you about God's loyalty?

THU

1 KINGS 22;
2 CHRONICLES 18

- Death of King Ahab
- Kings Jehoshaphat & Ahaziah
- Prophet Micaiah & King Ahab

The false prophets were bringing fake news before the king in Chronicles.

Do we have false prophets today?

Do they usually predict good news?

FRI

2 CHRONICLES 19-23

- Continued King Jehoshaphat
- Bio of King Jehoram of Judah
- Bio of King Ahaziah of Judah
- Bio of Queen Athaliah
- Queen Athaliah Overthrown

Two of the biggest temptations are power & riches.

How can we keep our thoughts from being infected by these, like Queen Athaliah's were?

SAT

OBADIAH;
PSALMS 82-83

- A Prophecy Against Edom
- Psalms of Justice

Are you waiting for God to bring justice to you?

How do these passages help?

SUN

2 KINGS 1-4

- Elijah Calls Fire from Heaven
- Elijah Taken up to Heaven
- Moab Sacrifices a Baby
- Elisha Raises a Son, Feeds a Multitude

Elijah is one of only two people who went to heaven without dying.

The other is Enoch of Genesis 5.

Why do you think God chose to do that?

HIGHLIGHTS

PROMPTS

MON

2 KINGS 5-8

- Naaman Healed of Leprosy
- Elisha Performs Miracles
- Ben-Hadad's Murder
- Kings Jehoram & Ahaziah

How is Naaman being asked to exercise humility?

What can we learn for our own journey toward humility?

TUE

2 KINGS 9-11

- King Jehu & Violence
- Death of Queen Jezebel
- Ahab's Family & Servants Killed
- Wicked Queen Athaliah

Are you awaiting justice in an unfair situation?

What does the death of Queen Jezebel tell you in this time?

WED

2 KINGS 12-13;
2 CHRON. 24

- King Joash Repairs the Temple
- King Jehoahaz Hears Elisha

Faith is said to inspire action.

How does this saying apply to King Jehoahaz & Elisha?

THU

2 KINGS 14;
2 CHRON. 25

- King Amaziah & Jeroboam II
- King Amaziah of Judah

What do these passages tell us about marrying for money?

FRI

JONAH 1-4

- God Directs, Jonah Runs
- Jonah's Prayer in the Fish
- Nineveh Repents
- Jonah's Wrong Feelings

Jonah was acting out of prejudice toward the people of Nineveh.

How did God feel about his snobbery?

SAT

2 KINGS 15;
2 CHRON. 26

- Seven Kings of Judah & Israel

How did the most common temptations, greed & power, affect these kings?

SUN

ISAIAH 1-4

- A Stubborn Nation
- Mountain of the Lord
- Day of the Lord
- Judgment of Israel & Judah
- Salvation

God balances judgment & mercy.

How does it show here?

HIGHLIGHTS

PROMPTS

MON

ISAIAH 5-8

- The Vineyard
- Woes & Judgments
- Commission of Isaiah
- Sign of Emmanuel
- Assyria Used in Judgment
- Warnings on the Occult

Read Isaiah 6:8 again. How does it inspire you?

TUE

AMOS 1-5

- Judgment: Nearby Countries
- Sins of Moab, Judah, Israel
- An Enemy Will Arise
- God's Punishments
- Prophecy: Impending Exile

A lot of atrocities are listed here.

Compare & contrast them to modern-day atrocities.

WED

AMOS 6-9

- Zion, Mt. Samaria Struck First
- God Will Stir Up a Nation
- Three Disasters Diverted
- Death & Restoration Predicted

Which modern-day country does Amos 6:1-7 remind you of and why?

THU

2 CHRONICLES 27;
ISAIAH 9-12

- Bio of King Jotham
- Prophecies About Judah & Jerusalem, Others
- Messianic Prophecy: Jesse
- Praise Songs

Jesse was King David's grandfather and an ancestor of Jesus.

What does Isaiah 11 mean to you?

FRI

MICAH 1-7

- Prophecy: Assyrian Invasion
- Promise of Eventual Delivery
- Jerusalem's Demise
- God Will Reestablish
- God's Power Over the Nations

Read Micah 5:2.

What does it mean to you that snippets about the life of Christ arise all over the Old Testament prophecies?

SAT

2 CHRONICLES 28;
2 KINGS 16-17

- Ahaz King of Judah
- King Ahaz Defiles the Temple
- King Hoshea: Assyrian Invasion

Why were the Israelites unable to hear the prophets' warning per the Assyrian invasion?

SUN

ISAIAH 13-17

- Prophecies About the Nations

Some say Isaiah 14:12-17 is about Satan. What did you learn from it?

HIGHLIGHTS

PROMPTS

MON
ISAIAH 18-22

- Prophecies Against Nations
- Prophecy Against Judah

By this point, God is really angry.

What sins are so upsetting him?

TUE
ISAIAH 23-27

- Prophecies Against Nations, Planet
- Redemption

What sins are still being committed around the globe today?

WED
2 KINGS 18:1-8;
2 CHRONICLES 29-31;
PSALM 48

- Prophet Elijah
- King Hezekiah
- A Psalm of Praise

What good works like King Hezekiah's are being done in the world today?

THU
HOSEA 1-7

- Hosea Told to Marry
- Hosea Told to Reconcile
- God's Charge Against Israel
- God's Judgment
- srael Refuses to Repent

Have you or anyone you know been in an adulterous relationship?

How do you relate to God's heartache expressed in Hosea?

FRI
HOSEA 8-14

- Judgment & Sins Described
- God's Love in Spite of Sins
- Final Charges
- Call to Repent

Having read through all these atrocities, how do you feel about God still giving them a chance to repent?

SAT
ISAIAH 28-30

- Woe to Ephraim, Judah, Jerusalem

Which of these sins do you see still going on in our world today?

SUN
ISAIAH 31-34

- Deliverance is Found in God

Besides God, where do you see people seeking protection and help today?

HIGHLIGHTS

PROMPTS

MON

ISAIAH 35-36

- Joy of the Redeemed
- Assyria Threatens Jerusalem

Have you ever been in a situation so frightening you thought God couldn't rescue you?

How were you wrong?

TUE

ISAIAH 37-39; PSALM 76

- Jerusalem's Deliverance Foretold
- Hezekiah's Prayer
- Fall of Assyria's King

Have you ever had an emotional or physical battle that you felt like God was fighting for you?

Reflect on it.

WED

ISAIAH 40-43

- Comfort to God's People
- Helper of Israel
- Servant Coming

What circumstances does the servant in chapter 42 have in common with Jesus?

THU

ISAIAH 44-48

- Choose God, Not Idols
- Jerusalem Will Recover
- Fall of Babylon
- Israel is Stubborn, Freed

How do these grievances and pleas from God apply to today's world?

FRI

2 KINGS 18:9-37; 2 KINGS 19; PSALMS 46, 80, 135

- Kings Hezekiah & Sennacherib
- Psalms of Protection, Victory

Have you ever felt in the same position as the writer of Psalm 80?

What happened?

SAT

ISAIAH 49-53

- Servant of Israel
- Restoration of Israel
- Israel's Sin
- Servant's Obedience

Have you ever felt that God deserted or ignored you?

How does Isaiah 48:14-18 make you feel?

SUN

ISAIAH 54-58

- Future Glory of Zion
- Invitation to the Thirsty
- Salvation & Justice
- Judgments Against the Wicked
- Comfort to the Contrite

Which of the rewards for good works and faith resonate best with you?

HIGHLIGHTS

PROMPTS

MON

ISAIAH 59-63

- To the End of Days for God's Chosen People

How do chapters 59 & 60 differ?

TUE

ISAIAH 64-66

- The End of Days for God's Chosen People (Cont.)

Reflect on hope while rereading chapter 66.

WED

2 KINGS 20-21

- King Hezekiah's Life Extended
- Kings Manasseh & Amon

Reflect on the good deeds of King Hezekiah.

THU

2 CHRONICLES 32-33

- Bio of King Hezekiah
- Bios of Kings Manasseh & Amon

Reflect on the differences between Hezekiah & Manasseh.

FRI

NAHUM 1-3

- God Threatens Nineveh
- Fall of Nineveh Predicted
- Woes on Nineveh Due to Assyrian Cruelty

Jonah preached repentance to Nineveh 150 years earlier, and they repented.

What is going on this time?

SAT

2 KINGS 22-23;
2 CHRONICLES 34-35

- King Josiah Tries to Stop Idolatry
- Death of Josiah
- Kings Jehoahaz, Jehoiakim

Why was Josiah's good response and reformation unable to stop the Babylonian invasion?

SUN

ZEPHANIAH 1-3

- The End of Times Description
- A Call for Judah to Repent
- Fate of the Four Surrounding Nations
- Sins of Jerusalem
- God's Forgiveness & Great End for Israel

What in the first half of Zephaniah 3 reminds you of modern times?

HIGHLIGHTS

PROMPTS

MON
JEREMIAH 1-3

- Call of Jeremiah During King Josiah's Reign
- Charges Against Judah

God often compares adultery to idolatry. How are they the same?

TUE
JEREMIAH 4-6

- Trouble Looming
- Not One is Upright
- Invasion Prophesied

Read 8:6 again. How does it happen that God is so angry and yet people are so clueless?

WED
JEREMIAH 7-9

- False Religion is Worthless
- Sin & Punishment

Why do you think graven idols were so appealing to people in ancient times?

THU
JEREMIAH 10-13

- God, Description of Idols
- Broken Covenant
- Jeremiah & God Exchange
- Jeremiah's Linen Belt

How might peer pressure have affected God's people back then?

FRI
JEREMIAH 14-17

- Drought, Famine, Wars Predicted

No one listened to the prophecies of Jeremiah at the time.

Why do you think that is?

SAT
JEREMIAH 18-22

- At the Potter's House
- Jeremiah & Pashhur
- Jeremiah's Complaint
- Babylon is Coming
- Judgment on the Kings

Jeremiah's complaint rehashes his years as a prophet.

Why do people blessed by God sometimes suffer so deeply?

SUN
JEREMIAH 23-25

- Righteous Branch
- False Prophets
- Comparing the Figs
- 70-Year Exile Prophesied

Why did people find it so easy to listen to the false prophets?

What were they telling the people?

HIGHLIGHTS

PROMPTS

MON
JEREMIAH 26-29

- Jeremiah Threatened
- Nebuchadnezzar Served
- False Prophet Hananiah
- Famous Letter to Exiles

Many don't like today's leadership.

How can we learn how to live from Jeremiah's famous letter to the exiles?

TUE
JEREMIAH 30-31

- Promises from God

What does the note of hope in these chapters tell us about God's love?

WED
JEREMIAH 32-34

- Jeremiah Buys a Field
- Promise of Restoration
- Zedekiah's Warning
- Slaves Freed, Retaken

What sins did the people commit here, and why was God so horrified?

THU
JEREMIAH 35-37

- The Rekabites: An Example
- Jehoiakim Burns a Holy Scroll
- Jeremiah Imprisoned

Jeremiah was imprisoned over a lie.

What are some lies that circulate in our media today? .

FRI
JEREMIAH 38-40;
PSALMS 74, 79

- Thrown into a Cistern
- Zedekiah seeks Advice
- The Fall of Jerusalem
- Jeremiah Freed
- Gedaliah Rules

Why were the officials afraid to seriously injure or kill Jeremiah?

SAT
2 KINGS 24-25;
2 CHRONICLES 36

- Jehoiakim & Zedekiah Kings
- Fall of Jerusalem
- King Cyrus Moved by God

Was God controlling King Cyrus, and if so, does he control us all?

SUN
HABAKKUK 1-3

- Habakkuk Cries out to God
- God's Reply: About Babylon
- Habakkuk's Worship Reply
- Habakkuk Calls to God
- God Gives Woes for Extortion, Greed, Sins
- Habakkuk's Beautiful Worship

Have you ever cried out to God about the wrong behavior of groups of people?

How would God's reply to Habakkuk be comforting to people in social anguish?

HIGHLIGHTS

PROMPTS

MON

JEREMIAH 41-45

- Gedaliah's Assassination
- God Speaks to Jews in Egypt
- A Word Against Greed

God warned Baruch because it is so easy to be distracted by greed.

What do we get distracted by in our culture?

TUE

JEREMIAH 46-48

- Words to Egypt, Philistines, Moab

These nations hurt God's people.

Why would it make sense that God wants to avenge Judah whom he just sent into exile?

WED

JEREMIAH 49-50

- Ammon, Edom, Damascus, Kedar & Hazor. Elam, Babylon

Which of these passages leaves the biggest impression on you and why?

THU

JEREMIAH 51-52

- Further Words Against Babylon
- Final Fall of Jerusalem

Some say Nebuchadnezzar feared the God of Judah.

How does that show up here?

FRI

LAMENTATIONS 1-2,
3:1-36

- The Desolation of Jerusalem Described
- The Destruction of the Temple
- Jeremiah's Sadness

The opening is beautiful, but so sad.

What imagery strikes you of this once-bustling city?

SAT

LAMENTATIONS 3:37-66,
4-5

- Jeremiah's Hope
- A Description of the Siege
- Judah's Condition

Why did no one listen to Jeremiah until disaster struck?

What can we learn from this?

SUN

EZEKIEL 1-4

- Vision of Ezekiel's Wheel
- Ezekiel's Call
- Ezekiel's Task: Watchman
- Symbolically Taking on Israel's Sin

Peruse Ezekiel 2 again. Have you ever feared saying or doing what God wanted you to?

How could the first eight verses help?

HIGHLIGHTS

PROMPTS

MON
EZEKIEL 5-8

- Ezekiel Told to Shave
- God Foretells Cannibalism
- Jerusalem's Ongoing Hardships
- God Takes Ezekiel in the Spirit
- Back to Jerusalem

Do you think that God is likely to bring our world today under judgment?

If so, what would it look like and for what reasons?

TUE
EZEKIEL 9-12

- Vision: Marks on Heads
- Glory of the Lord Departs
- Judgment on Leadership
- Those in Exile Will Return
- Ezekiel's Symbols
- God Promises Swift Fulfillment

Look again at the beginning of chapter 9.

If a nation is coming under judgment, but certain people repent, how does God treat them?

WED
EZEKIEL 13-15

- Condemned
- Escape from Judgment is Through Personal Righteousness
- Symbol of the Wooden Vine

What are the hearts of these people like, that they are still worshipping idols?

THU
EZEKIEL 16-17

- Jerusalem has Played the Adulterer
- Symbol of Two Eagles & a Vine

What do you make of the last image in the readings?

FRI
EZEKIEL 18-19

- Personal Accountability Outlined for Sin
- Two Israel Symbols: Lions & Vines

Find your own words for the personal accountability God is looking for, per chapter 18.

SAT
EZEKIEL 20-21

- Rebellious Israel will be Purged
- Israel will be Forgiven
- Prophecy Against the South
- No Good News for Israel

Read 20:32 again. Is this another mark of peer pressure?

How is our nation pressured?

SUN
EZEKIEL 22-23

- More, God's Wrath & Lament
- Northern, Southern Kingdoms
- Compared to Lewd Women

How can we be sure to not upset God this badly?

HIGHLIGHTS

PROMPTS

MON
EZEKIEL 24-27

- Jerusalem is a Stew Pot
- Ezekiel's Wife Dies
- Prophecies Against Ammon, Moab, Edom, Philistia
- Prophecies Against Tyre

What comparison is made with Ezekiel's deceased wife?

TUE
EZEKIEL 28-31

- Prophecies Against Tyre's King
- Prophecy Against Sidon
- Prophecies Against Egypt

Do you think today's world rulers think of themselves as gods?

WED
EZEKIEL 32-34

- Prophecies Against Egypt
- Personal Accountability
- People Do Not Love
- God will Heal their Hearts

Look at God's plea in 33:11.

Why do you think the people didn't listen?

THU
EZEKIEL 35-37

- Prophecy Against Edom
- Prophecies of Hope for Israel
- Vision of the Dry Bones

Vision of the Dry Bones is famous for noting the rebirth of Israel in 1948.

Express your feelings on the passage.

FRI
EZEKIEL 38-39

- Vision of Gog & Magog
- Details of the Temple & City at the End of Days

The Gog & Magog vision is about the end of days.

Do you think the end of days will be soon? Why or why not?

SAT
EZEKIEL 40-41

- Vision of the Restored Temple

What details of the Temple resonate with you, and why?

SUN
EZEKIEL 42-43

- Rooms for Priests
- God's Glory Returns
- Great Altar Restored

During the Millennial Kingdom, God will still visit the Temple in memoriam.

Why might that be?

HIGHLIGHTS

PROMPTS

MON
EZEKIEL 44-45

- The Priesthood Restored

Why would the future temple include priests and sacrifices if Jesus died for our sins?

TUE
EZEKIEL 46-48

- Details of the Temple & City at the End of Days

Ten of the Tribes of Israel have been lost.

How can DNA testing help descendants identify themselves?

WED
JOEL 1-3

- A Call to Awaken, Mourn
- A Locust Invasion
- Not Too Late
- Visions of the End of Days
- God's Judgment on the Nations
- A Good End for Israel

Joel often uses the term, "Day of the Lord." Describe what it means to you.

THU
DANIEL 1-3

- Daniel's Training in Babylon
- Daniel Interprets Nebuchadnezzar's Dream
- Three Friends in the Fiery Furnace

Who was the fourth person in the fiery furnace with the three friends?

Why would someone join them there?

FRI
DANIEL 4-6

- Daniel Interprets Second Dream
- The Handwriting on the Wall
- Daniel in the Lions' Den

Focus on the sins committed in the Handwriting on the Wall story.

Describe God's feelings.

SAT
DANIEL 7-9

- Daniel's Vision: Four Beasts
- Vision of the Ram & Goat
- Gabriel Confirms the Vision
- Pleading for Mercy for Israel
- Gabriel Gives "62 Sevens"

Daniel receives numbers in his visions that are, to this day, very mysterious.

Which number do you find most intriguing?

SUN
DANIEL 10-12

- Daniel Sees a Terrifying Vision
- Angel Detained by Prince
- Kings of the North & South
- Order to Roll Up the Seals
- Final Details on the End of Days

Daniel was told to seal the scrolls (their meaning) until the End of Days.

How soon do you think the End of Days will occur?

HIGHLIGHTS

PROMPTS

MON
EZRA 1-3

- King Cyrus of Persia Helps Israel
- Record of Exile Returnees
- Rebuilding the Temple

Why would a foreign, pagan king help God's people?

TUE
EZRA 4-6; PSALM 137

- Rebuilders Face Opposition
- Psalm of Mourning in Babylon

Why was God not taking away more struggles from the returning remnant?

WED
HAGGAI 1-2

- A Call to Rebuild
- A Blessing on the New Temple
- God Corrects Behavior
- Belief/Hard Work Encouraged

Reread 1:5-6, known in lore as the Curse of Haggai.

Have you ever experienced it or known anyone who did?

THU
ZECHARIAH 1-7

- Return to God's Comfort
- Two Visions
- God Will Protect
- Five Visions
- Justice/Mercy Tops Fasting

Zechariah prophesied at the same time as Haggai.

How is Zechariah's overall tone or message different?

FRI
ZECHARIAH 8-14

- Blessings for Jerusalem
- Judgment on Israel's Enemies
- Prophecy of the 2nd Coming
- God's Care for Judah
- Multiple Visions
- Vision of the Day of the Lord

Much of these passages visualize the Messiah's First and Second Coming.

What passage struck you most meaningfully?

SAT
ESTHER 1-5

- Queen Vashti Disobeys
- Esther is Made Queen
- Haman Plots to Destroy Jews
- Esther Prepares a Banquet; Haman Rages

As an exiled Jew, Esther hid her identity.

Have you ever wanted to hide something about yourself, or your faith especially?

Why?

SUN
ESTHER 6-10

- Mordecai Honored by Xerxes
- Esther Exposes Haman's Plot
- Xerxes Acts
- The Jews Strike Back
- The Final Tribute to Mordecai

The saying "you reap what you sow" applies here. What happens when you plot evil?

HIGHLIGHTS

PROMPTS

MON

EZRA 7-10

- Ezra Comes to Jerusalem
- List of Families Returning
- The Return
- People Put Away Foreign Wives

Is it surprising that God would condone the putting away of wives?

Why or why not?

TUE

NEHEMIAH 1-5

- Praying for God's Attention
- Nehemiah Returns
- Contributors to the Wall
- Opposition to Rebuilding
- Nehemiah Helps the Poor

Nehemiah was very inspired, or driven by the spirit, to fix the wall.

Have you ever felt inspired by the spirit to do something?

If so, what?

WED

NEHEMIAH 6-7

- The Opposition Spreads
- List of the Remnant Returning from Exile

Bible lists and genealogies can seem dull.

With the discoveries of DNA tracing, how could this all change?

THU

NEHEMIAH 8-10

- Ezra Leads the Reform
- The People Confess to a History of Sins
- The People Sign Their Pledge

The returnees could get sidetracked very easily.

How can we keep understanding God's desires and path?

FRI

NEHEMIAH 11-13;
PSALM 126

- Leaders of Jerusalem Listed
- Naming the Priests
- Dedication of Wall
- Final Reforms of Nehemiah
- Psalm of Petition

This is the only Bible book written in first person narrative, or with an "I" voice.

How did it make Nehemiah's journey very personal to you?

SAT

MALACHI 1-4

- A Problem with Sacrifice
- What Wears the Lord
- When the Lord Responds
- Withholding Tithes
- Arrogance vs. Faith

This book ends with a promise to put the spirit of Elijah the Prophet into John the Baptist.

What makes prophecy so hard to understand?

SUN

LUKE 1; JOHN 1:1-14

- Early stories of John the Baptist & Jesus

What passage struck you most deeply and why?

HIGHLIGHTS

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MON

MATTHEW 1;
LUKE 2:1-38

- The Legal Genealogy of Jesus
- Joseph's Dream

Many say the Lord speaks to them when they're sleeping, as the mind is more relaxed.

Have you ever had a dream you felt God inspired?

TUE

MATTHEW 2;
LUKE 2:39-52

- The Magi
- Flight to Egypt
- Bethlehem Genocide & Egypt
- Return to Nazareth
- Jesus Disappears at Age 12

The Bethlehem genocide likely took around 20 baby boys.

How corrupt can religious leaders become?

Describe Herod's corruption.

WED

MATTHEW 3; MARK 1;
LUKE 3

- Ministry of John the Baptist
- Baptism of Jesus
- Genealogy from Jesus to Adam

Luke 3 holds one of four genealogies to include Adam.

What does this say about his historicity?

THU

MATTHEW 4; LUKE 4-5;
JOHN 1:15-51

- First Disciples
- Three Temptations
- Early Ministry & Miracles
- John the Baptist

Jesus was tempted with food, power, & riches.

What are the biggest temptations you face?

FRI

JOHN 2-4

- Jesus' First Miracle & Healing
- First Trip to Jerusalem
- Jesus & Nicodemus
- John the Baptist's Ministry Ends
- Jesus with the Woman at Well

This reading contains some of the most popular scriptures in the Bible.

Write out a couple that are most special to you.

SAT

MARK 2

- Paralytic through the Roof
- Matthew/Levi Called to Follow
- Jesus' Disciples Pick Grain

People are surprised Jesus was not more annoyed when the paralytic came through the roof.

Why wasn't he?

SUN

JOHN 5

- Jesus' Second Trip to Jerusalem
- Healing at the Pool
- Early Lessons on Jesus' Thinking

Jesus said he came to save, not to judge.

How should we act toward non-believers?

HIGHLIGHTS

PROMPTS

MON

MATTHEW 12:1-21;
MARK 3; LUKE 6

- Disciples Pick Grain on Sabbath
- Withered Hand Healed
- Jesus Heals on the Sabbath
- Rest of the 12 Chosen
- Sermon on the Mount (Luke)
- Parable: House on the Rock

What are some areas of your life where you need to be careful to “build on the rock?”

TUE

MATTHEW 5-7

- Sermon on the Mount

Which edict from the Sermon on the Mount do you need to work on now?

WED

MATTHEW 8:1-13;
LUKE 7

- Miracle: Widow’s Son Raised
- Jesus Confirms John the Baptist
- Woman Washes Jesus’ Feet
- Parable: The Two Debtors

Reflect on a time when you received God’s forgiveness but didn’t want to forgive another for something similar.

THU

MATTHEW 11

- Go Tell John What You Hear
- Jesus’ Tribute to John
- Woe to Unrepentant Cities
- Come to Me, Weary & Laden

Acting out your faith is not an easy life.

What does Jesus mean by saying that he will give us rest?

FRI

MATTHEW 12:22-50;
LUKE 11

- The Unpardonable Sin
- Pharisees: Brood of Vipers
- A Desire for Signs is Evil
- Who are Brothers & Sisters?
- Lord’s Prayer/How to Pray
- Jonah Actually Happened

Jesus mentions the story of Jonah, implying it actually happened.

Why do even Christians have trouble believing this miracle?

SAT

MATTHEW 13;
LUKE 8

- Parables & Miracles
- Tares at the End of Time
- Jesus Visits Nazareth

Which is your favorite parable of those you’ve read so far and why?

SUN

MATTHEW 8:14-34;
MARK 4-5

- Parables & Miracles

Which is your favorite miracle of those you’ve read so far and why?

WEEK 42

HIGHLIGHTS

PROMPTS

MON

MATTHEW 9-10

- Paralytic Healed
- Calling of Matthew
- Old & New Wineskins
- Miracles: Miscellaneous
- 12 Disciples Named, Instructed

Read 9:12-13 again. Some people think of themselves as righteous.

How do you see them?

TUE

MATTHEW 14; MARK 6;
LUKE 9:1-17

- Beheading of John the Baptist
- Feeding the 5,000
- Jesus, Peter Walk on Water
- The Transfiguration
- I Will Follow You

Reflect on how you would have felt to be at the Transfiguration.

WED

JOHN 6

- 5,000 Fed
- Miracle: Jesus Walks on Water
- I am the Bread of Life
- Peter's Confession of Faith

Read 6:36-40.

What does it mean to you?

THU

MATTHEW 15;
MARK 7

- Canaanite Woman's Faith
- Feeding the 4,000
- Rebuke of Religious Leaders
- Jesus' Spit Heals Blindness

Read of the Canaanite woman's faith and tenacity.

If you had a need like this, reflect on what you'd say to Jesus.

FRI

MATTHEW 16; MARK 8;
LUKE 9:18-27

- Beware of Scribes & Pharisees
- Peter Confesses Jesus
- Take Up Your Cross Daily
- Jesus Tells Who He Is

Peter was one of Jesus' closest disciples but also most likely to get in trouble.

What did he do wrong in this reading?

SAT

MATTHEW 17; MARK 9;
LUKE 9:28-62

- The Transfiguration
- Disciples Can't Exorcise
- Jesus Takes Tax from Fish
- Jesus Foretells his Death

Look again at Luke 9:46-48.

How do we become like children?

SUN

MATTHEW 18

- Talk of Children
- Parable: Wandering Sheep
- Parable: Unmerciful Servant

Have you ever been an unmerciful servant or seen one in action?

What happened?

HIGHLIGHTS

PROMPTS

MON
JOHN 7-8

- Jesus in Judea
- People Are Divided Over Jesus
- Jesus & Adulterous Woman
- I am the Light of the World

Reflect on 8:2-11 and how we can be less judgmental to those outside of the church.

TUE
JOHN 9:1-41;
JOHN 10:1-21

- Who Sinned?
- Healed Blind Man & Pharisees
- I Am the Door, Good Shepherd

Of Jesus' two I AM statements (the Door & Good Shepherd) which resonates most & why?

WED
LUKE 10-11;
JOHN 10:22-42

- The Good Samaritan
- Martha & Mary
- Lord's Prayer
- You are the Light
- Identity of Jesus

After reading about the Good Samaritan, think of some people who are your neighbor, whom you might not have thought of as such before.

THU
LUKE 12-13

- Fear Not, Confess Me
- I Came to Bring a Sword
- Fruitless Tree
- Mustard Seed
- Leaven of Bread

Jesus never seemed to care about what money can buy.

What can you do to lessen any "first-world problems" you have?

FRI
LUKE 14-15

- Man with Dropsy
- Guests Who Sit in the Back
- Invite the Underprivileged
- Who Can Be My Disciple?
- Lost Sheep, Prodigal Son

Read again 14:7-15, thinking of ways to bring one of these two edicts to pass in your life.

SAT
LUKE 16;
LUKE 17:1-10

- The Unrighteous Steward
- The Rich Man & Lazarus
- Instructions to Disciples

Which of the two stories listed resonates with you right now & why?

SUN
JOHN 11

- Resurrection of Lazarus
- "Better for One Man to Die..."

Caiaphas actually prophesied, though not intending to.

What does that say about prophecy?

HIGHLIGHTS

PROMPTS

MON

LUKE 17:11-37;
LUKE 18:1-14

- Healing the 10 Lepers
- End Times Prophecies
- The Persistent Widow
- Pharisee & the Publican

Which of the End Times prophecies is most memorable to you & why?

TUE

MATTHEW 19;
MARK 10

- Divorce/Remarriage
- Jesus Blesses the Children
- Can the Rich Get Into Heaven?
- The First will be Last
- Marriage & Divorce

Read again Matthew 19:16-27.

Will it be harder for Rich Christians to get into heaven, compared to poverty-stricken ones?

WED

MATTHEW 20-21

- Whoever Is First will be a Slave
- Healing Two Blind Men
- Triumphal Entry
- Jesus Cleanses the Temple
- Jesus Curses the Fig Tree

Why was the buying & selling in the temple so appalling to Jesus?

THU

LUKE 18:15-43;
LUKE 19:1-48

- The Rich Young Ruler
- Zacchaeus in the Tree
- Triumphal Entry
- Jesus Clears the Temple

How is Luke 18:29-30 heartening to you?

What have you sacrificed for belief in Jesus?

FRI

MARK 11; JOHN 12

- Triumphal Entry
- Jesus Curses a Fig Tree
- Jesus Cleanses the Temple
- Mary Anoints Jesus
- Gentiles Want to See Jesus

Per John 12:35-36, we don't always FEEL like we have light.

How can we cope with this feeling?

SAT

MATTHEW 22;
MARK 12

- The Marriage Feast
- The Vine-Growers
- Responses to Religious Leaders
- The Poor Widow Gives Big

Per the widow's offering, how can we increase our giving to those who are less fortunate?

SUN

MATTHEW 23;
LUKE 20-21

- Crimes of Scribes & Pharisees
- Jesus Laments Over Jerusalem
- The Messengers & the Heir

Jesus' attitude toward Rome was always a shrug.

How involved should we be in politics?

HIGHLIGHTS

PROMPTS

MON
MARK 13

- Jesus Describes End Times
- Take Heed; Watch

Which of the included passages affected you most and why?

TUE
MATTHEW 24

- Signs of Christ's Return
- The Abomination of Desolation
- The Second Coming Described
- Know the Signs of the Times

Jesus tells us to know the signs of the times.

Are we in the last days?

Why or why not, based on what he said?

WED
MATTHEW 25

- Parable: Ten Virgins
- Parable: Different Measures of Talents
- For the Least of These....

In your mind's eye, what does the oil symbolize in the ten virgins' lamps?

THU
MATTHEW 26;
MARK 14

- Plot to Kill Jesus
- Judas & 30 Pieces of Silver
- The Last Supper
- Jesus' Betrayal & Arrest
- Peter Denies Jesus Three Times

We've probably all denied Jesus at some point.

Reflect on a denial in your own life and what you would do differently.

FRI
LUKE 22; JOHN 13

- Satan Enters Judas
- Washing Disciples' Feet
- Garden of Gethsemane
- Jesus Heals an Ear
- Jesus Before the Sanhedrin

When Peter sliced off the servant's ear, what does Jesus' healing it say about exercising pacifism?

SAT
JOHN 14-17

- Philip: Show Us the Father
- The Holy Spirit Promised
- I am the Vine
- Greater Love Has No One
- Resurrection Foretold

How prepared would you be to die for the faith?

Ask God to give you more of anything you feel you are missing.

SUN
MATTHEW 27;
MARK 15

- Judas' Suicide
- Jesus Before Pilate
- Simon Carries the Cross
- The Crucifixion
- The Resurrection

Matthew 27:51-54.

What do you think was God's point in allowing these miracles to happen?

HIGHLIGHTS

PROMPTS

MON
LUKE 23;
JOHN 18-19

- Jesus Before Pilate & Herod
- Simon Bears the Cross
- Peter cuts off Malchus' Ear
- Jesus Before Annas
- Peter's Denials
- Crucifixion
- Death of the Criminals & Burial

See Pilate's question in John 18:38.

Why did people then, and still today, argue about the existence of absolute truth?

TUE
MATTHEW 28;
MARK 16

- The Resurrection
- The Great Commission

Per the Great Commission in Matthew 28:16-20, what is the difference between getting people saved & creating disciples?

WED
LUKE 24;
JOHN 20-21

- The Resurrection
- Appearances: Risen Christ
- The Ascension

What passage struck you most deeply and why?

THU
ACTS 1-3

- The Ascension
- The Upper Room
- Matthias Replaces Judas
- Pentecost
- Peter Heals a Lame Beggar

Acts 1:10-11 has long been a very exciting passage to many people.

What does it mean to you?

FRI
ACTS 4-6

- Peter & John Face Tribulation
- Believers Share All
- Death of Ananias & Sapphira

How can we keep the spirit of 4:32-36 today without being cult-like?

SAT
ACTS 7-8

- The First Martyr: Stephen
- Philip Supernaturally Taken to the Ethiopian Eunuch

Look at Stephen's declaration in 7:56.

How does it make you feel about martyrdom?

SUN
ACTS 9-10

- The Conversion of Saul
- Peter Raises Dorcas
- Peter's Vision on the Roof
- Gentiles Receive the Holy Spirit

In Acts 9:40-42, why do you think Peter cleared the room?

HIGHLIGHTS

PROMPTS

MON
ACTS 11-12

- Peter Reports on the Gentiles
- Growing the Church at Antioch
- Martyrdom of James
- Angels Deliver Peter from Jail

Why did God allow one disciple to be martyred and one to be led out of prison?

We know God doesn't play favorites.

TUE
ACTS 13-14

- Paul's First Missionary Journey
- Jews Upset the Gentiles
- People Try to Worship Paul
- Stoning, Deliverance of Paul

Paul's speech starting at 13:16 is the gospel or Good News summed up.

What parts stand out to you?

WED
JAMES 1-5

- Testing of Your Faith
- Be a Doer of the Word
- Bridling Your Tongue
- God Chose the Poor
- Faith Without Works is Dead
- Draw Near to God

James is considered a book where every line is very valuable.

Reflect on which parts meant the most to you and why.

THU
ACTS 15-16

- Settling Disputes on the Laws
- Paul's Second Journey
- A Convert after a Deliverance
- A Jailer is Converted

Reflect on the argument and solution in Chapter 15:1-35.

How does it apply to you?

FRI
GALATIANS 1-3

- A Warning to Legalists
- Paul's Bio & Defense
- Paul's Opposition to Cephas
- Defining Faith & the Law
- Defining the New Covenant

Paul says he is no longer under the law, but is saved through faith.

What does faith mean to you and the way you see God's commands?

SAT
GALATIANS 4-6

- From Slaves to God's Children
- Isaac vs. Ishmael
- Fruit of the Spirit & Flesh
- Upright Behavior
- A New Creation

Because of Jesus we can talk directly to God, and the Spirit helps us bear good fruit.

How does prayer help you bear good fruit in your life?

SUN
ACTS 17;
ACTS 18:1-18

- Paul at Four Churches

What passage in these readings resonated most with you and why?

HIGHLIGHTS

PROMPTS

MON

1 THESSALONIANS 1-5; 2 THESSALONIANS 1-3

- Paul Authenticates
- Encouragement to Behave Well
- Second Coming Described
- Stay Sober & Watchful

Paul says to be watchful, ready, and living in the light until the day Jesus returns.

What does that mean to you, in your life?

TUE

ACTS 18:19-28;
ACTS 19:1-41

- Priscilla, Aquila, Apollos
- Paul at Ephesus

Acts 19:1-7 has caused a great commotion in recent years.

What is its meaning to you?

WED

1 CORINTHIANS 1-4

- Call to Stop Divisions
- True Nature of Wisdom
- Division is Immaturity
- Building a Temple Together
- Arrogance at Corinth

What does this reading tell us about judgment?

What does that look like with other Christians in your life?

THU

1 CORINTHIANS 5-8

- A Case of Incest
- Lawsuits Discouraged
- Flee Sexual Immorality
- Principles of Married Life
- Food Sacrificed to Idols

Reflect on the passage about food sacrificed to idols.

What does it mean to be careful with your freedom and not cause others to sin?

FRI

1 CORINTHIANS 9-11

- Run to Win the Prize
- Flee from Idolatry
- Social Norms, Gender Roles
- Abuses at Church Gatherings

Read 9:24-27, which is about hard work to receive the prize.

What practices can you adopt to run a stronger race?

SAT

1 CORINTHIANS 12-14

- Same Spirit, Different Gifts
- Definition of True Love
- Proper Worship Instructions

These chapters talk about how we are all different but are all valuable.

How can we offer each other true love?

SUN

1 CORINTHIANS 15-16

- A Defense of Our Faith
- The Resurrection is Factual
- A Description of Resurrection

Apply 15:33, "Bad company corrupts good morals," to your life.

HIGHLIGHTS

PROMPTS

MON

2 CORINTHIANS 1-4

- Forgiveness
- Paul's Life & Credentials
- New Covenant
- Crushed on All Sides

In what ways can you apply the lessons about forgiveness in 2:5-11 to your life?

TUE

2 CORINTHIANS 5-9

- A New Body
- If Anyone is in Christ
- On Hardheartedness
- Warnings Against Idolatry
- Finish What You Started

What did this passage teach you about sharing?

What can you incorporate into your daily life?

WED

2 CORINTHIANS 10-13

- Not Works, But God
- Paul Discusses False Apostles
- Paul's Thorn in the Flesh
- Fears for the Believers

In the final greetings, Paul encourages the church to be of one mind and live in peace.

What do this mean to you?

THU

ACTS 20:1-3;
ROMANS 1-3

- Consequences of Idolatry
- Don't Judge: You Do the Same
- The Law Cannot Save
- Faith is the Only Law

Reflect on Paul's words about faith.

What impact does this have on your spiritual life?

FRI

ROMANS 4-7

- The Testimony of Abraham
- Christ vs. Adam
- Under the Law of Grace
- Wages of Sin is Death
- Two Natures Described

Reflect on 6:15-23 and being a slave to righteousness.

SAT

ROMANS 8-10

- The Flesh is Put to Death
- Waiting for Our Adoption
- God's Mercy Extends to All
- Salvation by Faith

What do you think it means to live according to the Spirit?

How does that play out in your daily life?

SUN

ROMANS 11-13

- Branches Grafted In
- The Jews Are Still Beloved
- Be a Living Sacrifice
- Find Joy in Diversity

What did you take away about love from 12:9-21?

HIGHLIGHTS

PROMPTS

MON
ROMANS 14-16

- Living in Diversity of Belief
- Deny Self Above Others
- Words of Encouragement

What does chapter 14 tell you about your interaction with other Christians?

TUE
ACTS 20:4-38; ACTS 21;
ACTS 22; ACTS 23:1-35

- Paul's Travels, Adventures, Arrest, Escape, and More

What resonated with you most deeply about these passages?

WED
ACTS 24-26

- Paul Defends the Faith Three Times

Paul was chronically having to defend himself and the faith.

What part of his defenses did you find most heartening?

THU
ACTS 27-28

- Paul's Shipwreck through Two Years in Rome

How was the gossip at Malta (28:1-6) similar to what happens today?

FRI
COLOSSIANS 1-4;
PHILEMON

- Definition of Christ
- Who Are the Gentiles?
- What God did through Christ
- Be Free of Human Rules
- Description of Renewal
- Admonitions for All

How can setting your mind on things above make you truly free?

What are some truths about God or scriptures that help you make good choices when things are tough?

SAT
EPHESIANS 1-6

- By Grace You are Saved
- God's Plan: Gentiles
- Don't Be Tossed To and Fro
- Instructions to Households
- Armor of God

How would you describe a mature Christian after reading chapter 4?

SUN
PHILIPPIANS 1-4

- Rejoicing Under Pain
- Humility, Being Like Christ
- Stand Out as Lights in the Dark
- Press on Toward the Win
- Rejoice Always
- Whatever is True, Noble, Pure...

Why is it so important that Christians be loving and peaceful?

What does it show the world?

How does being loving impact your own heart when you make it a priority?

HIGHLIGHTS

PROMPTS

MON
1 TIMOTHY 1-6

- One God, One Mediator
- Instructions for Leadership
- Warning About the Latter Days
- Show Persistence in a Calling
- More Instructions

What did you learn about the things you should strive to achieve in life?

How does this differ from the message we get in our culture?

TUE
2 TIMOTHY 1-4

- Power & Persistence
- Be Strong in the Good News
- Steer Clear of False Doctrine
- Difficult Times in the Last Days
- The End Times

Reflect on the passage.

What are some ways you can protect yourself from false teachers and live in the light during stressful times?

WED
TITUS 1-3

- Qualities of Church Leaders

Titus 2 covers doing what is good. What parts did you find particularly motivational?

THU
1 PETER 1-5

- A Chosen Race & Royal Priesthood
- Godly Living Defined
- Testing of Faith
- Be Humble for God's Molding

Think of a time when you had to do the right thing even when it was difficult.

How did that experience help you grow?

What did you learn?

FRI
HEBREWS 1-6

- How Shall We Escape...
- Position of the Son of Man
- Holding Fast to Faith
- Those Who Love God

Did you learn anything new about Jesus in this segment?

How does it affirm your faith as a Christian?

SAT
HEBREWS 7-10

- Christ & Melchizedek
- New vs. Old Covenant
- The New Way

Chapter 10 covers perseverance.

How does being a part of a church community help you persevere?

SUN
HEBREWS 11-13

- Faith Testimonials from History
- So Great a Cloud of Witnesses

When you read about the Bible heroes, what story stuck out to you the most?

How does that person's faith inspire you?

HIGHLIGHTS

PROMPTS

MON

2 PETER 1-3; JUDE

- Assurances of Calling
- Eyewitnesses to Christ
- Description of False Prophets
- Promises for the End of Days

What did you learn about godliness from this reading?

How can you practically apply that to your life?

TUE

1 JOHN 1-5

- Reality of the Word
- Walk in the Light
- The Antichrist
- Test the Spirits
- God's Love, Our Love
- Sin that Leads to Death

Reflect on the passage and come up with some practical examples of what it means to walk in the light, and what it means to walk in the darkness.

WED

2 JOHN; 3 JOHN

- What It Means to Love God
- Ignore Bad Teaching
- Diotrefes vs. Demetrius

List some of your gifts that help people recognize you as Christian (You do have them!).

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REVELATION 1-5

- John Sees Christ
- Letters to the Seven Churches
- The Lamb Can Open Scroll

In the seven letters, what letter appears to be closest to having been written to you personally?

FRI

REVELATION 6-11

- Six Seals: Four Horses, Martyrs 144,000
- Seventh Seal: Trumpets 1-6
- The Two Witnesses
- Seventh Trumpet: Kingdom Come

This imagery is stirring up great anxiety today.

While waiting patiently for the Lord, what do you do to prevent feelings of worry?

SAT

REVELATION 12-16

- Red Dragon Pursues Woman
- Beast from the Sea:
- Beast from the Earth, 666
- Seven Plagues & Seven Bowls

Write out a prayer about these images, asking God for help, protection, direction, etc.

SUN

REVELATION 17-22

- Fall of Babylon
- Thousand Years
- Judgment
- New Heavens & Earth
- I Am Coming Soon...

Babylon fell in 539 BC. Jeremiah 50:39 predicted it will never be rebuilt.

Reflect on where you think this new Babylon may be & why.