<u>5 year Bible reading plan – week 25</u>

Week 25 - 30/4/17

Monday: Matthew 12:22-50. In verses 43-45 Jesus tells a parable about the spiritual state of his generation. By his message of healing, he had swept out the demon but the Holy Spirit was not invited in, so evil returned in greater power. Pray for our generation that we would see lives changed.

Tuesday: Genesis 24:1-32. Eliezer prayed specifically, asking God for a sign to discern the right woman God had chosen for Isaac. What are you seeking God for at this time? Be specific in your requests & be expectant for God to answer.

Wednesday: Psalm 21:1-13. In Psalm 20 they prayed for victory. In Psalm 21 they gave thanks & rejoiced in past blessings, God's strength, answered prayer, royal status, long life, many victories, God's presence, unfailing love (v 1-7) & future victories (v 8-12). What will you give thanks for today?

Thursday: Joshua 24:1-33. Joshua reminds Israel that God alone has achieved the victory, from Abraham to the present moment. He reminds them of God's faithfulness & also sets a challenge to serve the Lord wholeheartedly. How will you serve God this week?

Friday: Romans 13:1-7. Paul very firmly states that we must submit ourselves to governing authorities. Why does he say this? Why not pray for someone who is in authority in your home, school, church or city?

Weekend: Isaiah 27:1-13. We see here a picture of a fruitful vineyard, rooted & blossoming, compared to the vineyard in chapter 5:1-7. What brought about this fruitfulness? How would you assess the 'fruit' in your life & what needs to change?