

5 year Bible reading plan – week 49

Week 49 - 15/10/17

Monday: Matthew 22:15-33. Jesus, in his answer to their question, declares, “Give to Caesar what is Caesar’s, and to God what is God’s”. Is there a right balance in your financial giving to the things of the world and to what is rightfully God’s?

Tuesday: Genesis 42:1-38. Even though 17 years had passed since Joseph’s brothers betrayed him, the moment was still quite painful. So how would Joseph respond? Having great power at his disposal Joseph used his power for the betterment of his brothers rather than to vent all his bitter feelings towards them. Is that how you would have handled things?

Wednesday: Ruth 3:1-18. In these few verses we see God’s protection & provision. We see an image of the “corner” of the garment, meaning “wings”, that we are under God’s wings. The second, “Don’t go back empty-handed”, is an image of God’s provision for Naomi. Thank God for his protection & provision in your life.

Thursday: Psalm 37:23-40. The Psalmist addresses a common problem: “How come the wicked seem to flourish? Where is the God of justice in it all”? Most importantly he suggests 2 things: firstly, maintain hope in the Lord and secondly, remain obedient and keep his ways.

Friday: Isaiah 47:1-15. Boastful Babylon believed she would never be defeated, that they would rule forever & even called the empire “I am”, a name appropriate only for the eternal God. What they had underestimated was that God is in control of all things. Rejoice in that fact today, no matter what you are faced with.

Weekend: 1 Corinthians 9:1-14. Paul didn’t just preach to the Corinthians the importance of caring for others in making decisions and exercising freedom. He practiced it. He gave up a lot to serve them. What are you willing to give up ministering and serving others?