

5 year Bible reading plan – week 60

Week 60– w/c 31/12/17

Monday: Matthew 26:14-30. If death is an end of consciousness, when we die it would be as if we had never been born. But in v24, Jesus implies that hell is worse than “nothingness”, but an eternal conscious punishment. What impact should this have on your witness, worship and daily life in this New Year?

Tuesday: Exodus 1:1-22. V10 reveals the new Pharaoh’s fear regarding the Jews. When we are not in open relationship with people we can often assume the worst regarding their motives. Ask God to help you overcome your fears or concerns that cause you to mistrust others.

Wednesday: 1 Samuel 9:1-27. Saul was impressive in stature and in influence, but his visible qualities were never matched by a growing and maturing spiritual character. Your start in life is less important than whether you have grown and developed since. Like the Tardis, we are called to be bigger people on the inside than what others can see of us!

Thursday: Proverbs 8:22-31. These verses are about wisdom, and speak of it’s importance and value. How much do you value wisdom, and obtaining it? What do you allow to take control of your value system instead of seeking to live wisely?

Friday: Isaiah 58:1-14. Do you ever fast and pray? The Israelites did, but their motives were wrong. Instead God looks for people who sacrifice in order to put verses 6 & 7 into practice. What challenges you in these verses today?

Weekend: 1 Corinthians 14:26-40. Many of us do not need more teaching on spiritual gifts, but we do need to be more eager to use them as verse 39 makes clear. What have you changed in your life since last Saturday’s reading to become more eager to use spiritual gifts in the church?