

5 year Bible Reading plan – week 94

Week 94 – w/c 26/8/18

Monday: Mark 12:28-44. Bernard of Clairvaux refers to the three stages of love: 1. We love God for our own sake i.e. for what he can do for us. 2. We love God for God's sake i.e. we praise Him for His character. 3. We love ourselves for God's sake, i.e. we join with God in seeing ourselves in a compassionate & gracious light. What stage of love are you in currently?

Tuesday: Exodus 35:1-29. Look at verses 21, 26 & 29. Only those who were willing brought offerings. God only accepts things given willingly and what is given out of duty or compulsion attracts no reward from him. Are you committed enough to his work to give willingly, generously, and cheerfully?

Wednesday: 2 Samuel 9:1-13. Mephibosheth was facing a very uncertain future as a disabled man, until David showed him kindness. David regarded his promise made to Jonathan years earlier as a binding commitment. Do you keep your promises and agreements as seriously?

Thursday: Psalm 73:1-28. Asaph is concerned about why wrong-doers seem to experience blessings in life (verses 3-15). He becomes envious of others and almost fails in his faith (v2). But in the place of worship, his eternal perspective is restored (v16-17). True worship always restores our balance!

Friday: Jeremiah 24:1-10. God uses a simple natural picture to speak to Jeremiah. Have you heard the voice of God speak through nature, or everyday circumstances recently? Is your ear tuned in to hear your Father's voice?

Weekend: Galatians 3:1-14. We receive our salvation by faith in Christ, but these verses emphasise in verses 2 and 14, that we also receive the promise of the Spirit by faith also. Read Acts 2:33 and Ephesians 1:14, and recognize that receiving the Baptism of the Spirit and speaking in tongues are available to those who believe and expect it! Praise God in tongues and pray that others will experience this great promise also!