

Bible Readings Book by Book week 121 – w/c 26/2/24

Week 121

Monday: Galatians 2:11-21 The faith Paul lived by was not faith in himself, faith in the law, or faith in what he could earn or deserve before God. It was faith in the Son of God, “who loved me and gave himself for me” (v20). Paul realises that this grace was not only for the salvation of the world, but it was specifically for him. Have you claimed possession of this grace personally?

Tuesday: 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. 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!

Wednesday: Galatians 3:15-29 Paul uses the picture of baptism to illustrate what it means to have faith in Christ. Just as a person is immersed in water at baptism, when we put our faith in Christ we are immersed in Jesus. Are you fully immersed in Christ or are you just dipping your toe in? Are you demonstrating your commitment to Christ by making disciples (Matt 28:19-20)?

Thursday: Galatians 4:1-20 V4 indicates that God has a time to accomplish his plans, whether for sending Jesus into the world, or for bringing about his purposes in your life. Take time to look back over your life and note the times when you see God’s hand on your life moving you forward and closer to himself. Praise him for his sense of timing in your experience.

Friday: Galatians 4:21-31 Paul was writing to those who had succumbed to legalism. They wanted to live under the law, where they thought their actions would make them right with God. The focus was on them. Under the grace of God, the focus is on Jesus and what he has done for us. The law is there to guide us, it is not the rod which drives us. Thank God that we live under His grace.

Weekend: Galatians 5:1-15 In the face of differing opinions about issues that were not important, Paul asserts that "the only thing that counts is faith expressing itself through love." (v6). How will you express your faith in a loving way today?