

Week 218 - w/c 10/1/21

Monday: Acts 1:1-11. We get pre-occupied with questions and issues, just as the disciples did in v6. The Lord Jesus made clear what was not their concern, as well as what they should be involved with in vv7 and 8. In these days, what should you be focusing on according to these verses and what are things that you should leave to the Father?

Tuesday: Deuteronomy 33:1-29. The first part of v27 is one of the most precious promises in the Bible. Thank God today that whatever situation we face we can take refuge in God, and know that he is holding us in his arms for all eternity.

Wednesday: 2 Chronicles 28:1-27. The leaders listed in v 12 were not afraid to confront those who were returning with plunder (v13). There is a time and a way to confront people, and to do so in love and grace. This is part of really being in Community. How well do you give and/or receive correction and rebuke?

Thursday: Psalm 144:1-15. When we face the battles of life, God is our loving God, our fortress, our stronghold, our deliverer and our shield. Which of these aspects of God's protection do you most need at the present time? Thank God for his provision in our times of need.

Friday: Amos 8:1-14. V11 reminds us that there are times when God does not speak. We go through times of spiritual famine. Consider the 400 years of prophetic silence between the last prophet of the Old Testament and the coming of John the Baptist. When God is not saying anything new – keep on doing what you know to be right and what he has said to you in the past.

Saturday: 1 Peter 5:6-14. Lions try to pick off those who are young, or sick, or stragglers, and in danger of being separated from the herd. Satan has a strategy that he uses regularly to affect God's people. He tries to do so by deception and stealth, as well as by roaring and producing fear. Those most at danger are those unconnected to the Church Community. Pray for those you know who are on the fringe of Church.