

## **Bible Readings Week 239 - w/c 6/6/21**

**Monday: Acts 13:32-52** There is great power in the word of God. In verses 44-49 we read that the people came to hear the word of the Lord, Paul and Barnabas spoke the word of God, the people honoured the word of God and then they spread the word of God. How will you respond to and spread God's word this week?

**Tuesday: Job 20:1-29** Zophar felt insulted by Job and felt that he needed to defend himself. Zophar makes three affirmations to prove that the fate of the wicked is terrible: their life is brief (v4-11), their pleasure is temporary (v12-19) and their death is painful (v20-29). In what ways does righteousness increase the quality of our days if not the quantity?

**Wednesday: Nehemiah 3:1-32** This chapter is all about work- how people pitched in and did the work as Nehemiah coordinated and led. These men had various different professions, they weren't professional builders. Your availability to do God's work is more important than your ability. What work has God called you to do? What is your next step in making this happen?

**Thursday: Proverbs 28:19-28** See v20. As a general principle, faithfulness and obedience to God's word leads to blessing. A person who is eager to get rich often falls into the trap of cheating and compromise. See v27. What is your attitude to giving to the church and to charity? What is God saying to you today through these Proverbs?

**Friday: Zephaniah 2:1-15** The nations in this chapter may represent all the Gentiles as these nations correspond to the four compass points. During the great day of the Lord, all the nations of the earth will taste the judgement of God. God judges his people when they deliberately disobey his law. We are called to not be "conformed to the patterns of this world". How can you live this out this week?

**Weekend: Revelation 2:18-3:6** The church in Thyatira was a church that was socially conscious but morally weak. How can we keep from tolerating evil? The city of Sardis was an important city, it was a centre of trade and a military centre. At that time the city was a shadow of its former glory as was the church- it was alive in name only. How can we stop our church from becoming alive in name only?