Bible Readings Book by Book week 17 – w/c 27/2/22

<u>Week 17</u>

Monday: Exodus 38:1-31 Verse 8 tells us that the bronze basin was made from the mirrors of the women who served at the entrance to the tent of meeting. These women gave up their ability to measure their own physical beauty to make this reservoir for the water of ceremonial washing. Are you so focused on looking at yourself that you fail to look to Jesus?

Tuesday: Exodus 39:1-43 Verse 43 shows how obedience to God's commands brought blessing to Israel through Moses. Obeying what God says always prepares the way for God to bring blessing to us. What has God said to you that you need to respond to?

Wednesday: Exodus 40:1-38 Once completed the glory of the Lord filled the tabernacle. Moses was unable to enter the tabernacle indicating that the glory of the Lord was something that could be sensed as well as seen. Exodus 24:17 describes the glory of God as a consuming fire. The glory of God was reassuring and fear inspiring at the same time. How have you sensed the glory of God?

Thursday: Matthew 1:1-17. Matthew's account of Jesus' ancestry seems to follow Joseph's family tree, while Luke probably follows Mary's. Matthew links Jesus to Abraham – the father of all Jews, and to the Royal line of David. He intends us to acknowledge Jesus as King of the Jews and worship him. Give Him your praise today!

Friday: Matthew 1:18-25. We learn much about Joseph's character and spiritual life in this reading. What aspects of these stand out for you as something for you to imitate? Ask God to help you grow in these areas of your life.

Weekend: Matthew 2:1-12. Interesting to note that the first people to worship Jesus were Gentiles. The Jewish leaders knew where Jesus was to be found but did not search for him. Choose to bow down & worship Him today.