## Bible Readings Book by Book week 48 – w/c 2/10/22

## Week 48

**Monday:** Numbers 2:1-34 The tent of meeting was right in the middle of the camp of the tribes and also when they were on the move (v17). God always wants to be at the centre of our lives and of his church. How can you take time out in the middle of your busy-ness today to meet with Jesus, and keep him at the centre of all you do?

**Tuesday: Numbers 3:1-26** In some ways, being a priest was far more visible and perhaps "glamorous" than being a Levite. But the service of the Levites made the work of the priests possible and was seen by God as having equal value. Every ministry is important to God. What has God called you to do? In what way can you serve in the church?

**Wednesday: Numbers 3:27-51** The Kohathites and Merarites were family groups within the tribe of Levi and they were given specific responsibilities for different aspects of the tabernacle and the items it contained. What specific responsibilities do you have in your work, family or church? Are you faithfully doing what God has entrusted to you?

**Thursday: Numbers 4:1-20** The Kohathites were to carry the holy things of the tabernacle. All the holy things were to be covered; not only for security and respect, but to keep them from being seen. This not only marked the reverence due to holy things, but the mystery of the things. But now, through Christ, the case is altered. Thank God that we are encouraged to come boldly to the throne of grace.

**Friday: Numbers 4:21 - 5:10** Numbers 5:5-10 reveal an interesting principle of "making things right" when we have wronged or taken from others. Confession to God brings forgiveness (see 1 John 1:9), but restoring what was taken (plus interest) gives us the assurance that we have done all within our power to "make things right". Is there something you should put right even though God has forgiven you?

**Weekend: Numbers 5:11-31** This ceremony was meant to resolve issues of jealousy within a marriage. Either the husband was right or wrong in his jealousy. The issue had to be settled, and this was God's way to do it. The law was partly to deter women from committing adultery but also to protect women from their husband's rage. Do you struggle with jealousy? Ask God to help you to resolve these feelings.