

Bible Readings Book by Book week 63 – w/c 15/1/23

Week 63

Monday: Romans 16:17-27 Paul writes and gives the Church in Rome principles so that they can “be wise about what is good and innocent about what is evil” (verse 19). What does this mean for you in today’s world?

Tuesday: Deuteronomy 1:1-25 Deuteronomy means “second law”. Moses felt compelled to bring this reminder of the law to the Israelites as many of them would have been very young or not even born when the law had been given at Mount Sinai. We never outgrow our need to be reminded (see 2 Peter 1:12). Seek God today; what does he want to remind you of?

Wednesday: Deuteronomy 1:26-46 As Moses explains their history of not going into the land when they were told to, and then trying to go, even though God told them not to, what strikes you most? I realise that they were people just like me, often lacking bold faith, and then trying to live in my own strength! If you are like that, ask for forgiveness and a fresh start again today!

Thursday: Deuteronomy 2:1-23 God commanded Israel to treat the Edomites with respect, even though they could have dominated them as a stronger nation. How we treat those weaker than ourselves is always a good measure of character. When we have the capability to dominate or abuse others and do not, it shows that we have good character. Do you need to modify your treatment of others?

Friday: Deuteronomy 2:24-37 In this barbaric and ruthless bronze age culture, Sihon chose to confront Israel rather than respond in peace. He suffered the dreadful consequences. In our culture, there are times when confrontation is appropriate and other times we should step back. What are you more prone to do? Do you do both as appropriate? Ask God to help you know the best way to act when situations arise.

Weekend: Deuteronomy 3:1-29 It would have been easy for Moses to have a bad attitude towards Joshua. But that was not the heart of Moses – he would do everything he could to love the people, prepare them to go into the promised land, and to make Joshua a success. A man of God would not do it any other way. Moses had the heart of a true shepherd. Who are you encouraging on their spiritual walk?