Bible Readings Book by Book week 68 – w/c 19/2/23

Week 68

Monday: Deuteronomy 27:1-26. When Israel crossed into Canaan, they had to set up a monument with the law of God on it (vv1-7). They needed to remember and make daily choices to walk God's way. What "memorials" have you set up in your life to help you make right choices?

Tuesday: Deuteronomy 28:1-35 This passage is an exposition of 2 words - blessing and curse. God was determined to reveal himself to the world through Israel. If they obeyed him, they would be blessed. If they turned aside, they would be cursed. The blessings are put before the curses because it is God's delight to bless us. Praise God that he is slow to anger but he is a God of mercy.

Wednesday: Deuteronomy 28:36-68. For the nation of Israel, there would be terrible consequences over the following centuries if they were not faithful to God. Individually, because Jesus died for us, he bore the curse for sin in his own body! (1 Peter 2:24) Thank God, for the power of Jesus over all curses and judgements!

Thursday: Deuteronomy 29:1-29 Are you going your way or God's way? Ask God to give you a mind that understands, eyes that see and ears that hear. Spend time seeking God's guidance today. Write down what God is saying to you and consider sharing this with your DNA partners or other Christian friend.

Friday: Deuteronomy 30:1-20. John Piper comments on v6: "The great promises from the Old Testament describe a work of God that changes a heart of stone into a heart of flesh and causes people to 'know' and 'love' and 'obey' God." Without it people remain spiritually dead. Pray for those you know who have not had this spiritual heart transplant.

Weekend: Deuteronomy 31:1-29 In the books of Deuteronomy and Joshua, Joshua hears the phrase "Be strong and courageous" 7 times. Even strong leaders need to hear such encouragement. Wonderfully, the last time this phrase is used in connection with Joshua, he is encouraging others to be strong and courageous (Josh 10:25). Who is encouraging you and who are you encouraging in spiritual things?