Bible Readings Book by Book week 82 – w/c 28/5/23

Week 82

Monday: Judges 13:1-25. It is often easier to recognize God's presence in hindsight. When, like Manoah in v 21, have you seen the hand of God after the event?

Tuesday: Judges 14:1-20. For Samson, wrong relationships were a weakness that led to his downfall. In what areas of your life must you guard against falling into sin? Confess your weakness and ask for God's strength.

Wednesday: Judges 15:1-20. As Samson fought off the Philistines the first thing he did was give God the credit for his victory. He recognized that without the Spirit of the Lord, he was weak. Whatever you are faced with today, turn to God for he will empower you.

Thursday: Judges 16:1-31. Samson's weakness in his sexual relationships was a problem throughout his life. Yet he is spoken of in Hebrews 11 as a "hero of faith". Moral compromise always produces a sense of regret for what "might have been". Past bad decisions can haunt us, but thank God that Jesus can set us free from the mistakes and sins of the past!

Friday: Judges 17:1-13. The constant theme of Judges is found again in verse 6. In rejecting God as their king, their only standard was their own ideas, as is evident in our world today. Remove God from your thinking and standards of right and wrong are easily changed. Pray that our nation turns back to God in repentance and faith.

Weekend: Judges 18:1-31. In v24, Micah felt despair because he had lost two possessions: his gods and his priest. Neither had any real value but he could not see that. He had placed great importance on meaningless things. What is of most importance in your life and does something need to change?