

Bible Readings Book by Book week 99 – w/c 24/9/23

Week 99

Monday: 2 Samuel 22:1-30 See v4. "It is well to pray to God as to one who deserves to be praised, for then we plead in a happy and confident manner. If I feel that I can and do bless the Lord for all his past goodness, I am bold to ask great things of him." (Spurgeon) Use some of the titles of God that David uses in vs 1-3 to praise God and then boldly present your prayer requests to him.

Tuesday: 2 Samuel 22:31-23:7. What part of David's victory song or his last thoughts do you most identify with? Respond to God in prayer, praise and thanksgiving using these thoughts as the basis for your worship today.

Wednesday: 2 Samuel 23:8-39. The 37 warriors in this passage were the foundation of the greatness of David's reign. 1 Samuel 22:1-2 says that these men came to David as men in distress, in debt and discontented. God used David's leadership to turn these men into mighty warriors. Pray for Alan, David, the elders and your cell group leaders as we aim to become an army of passionate disciples.

Thursday: 2 Samuel 24:1-25. Counting the men was an issue in David's life because of his motive and underlying attitude. It was an indication of what he trusted in (v2), to emphasise his authority as King (v3), and brought him under God's judgement. It is sometimes not what we do that is the issue but why we do it.

Friday: Psalm 40:1-17. Verses 1-3 are a summary of David's testimony and experience of God. Try and sum up your testimony and experience in four short sentences?

Weekend: Psalm 41:1-13. It was the responsibility of the king to have mercy on the weak. To show mercy is to show practical compassion towards an offender or one who is weak or powerless. Is there a practical act of mercy you can do today?