

5 year Bible Reading plan – week 105

Week 105 – w/c 11/11/18

Monday: Luke 1:1-25 The angel Gabriel appeared to Zechariah and he was understandably startled. How would you react to this situation? Would you respond in faith as Elizabeth did, acknowledging God's favour? Or would you respond with doubt like Zechariah?

Tuesday: Leviticus 5:1-19 The Hebrew word for atonement (kophar) means to cover over. In the Old Testament, sin is "covered over" until redemption was completed by Jesus on the cross. In the New Testament, sin is done away with and a true "at-one-ment" was accomplished by Jesus' sacrifice. Thank God for sending Jesus as the Lamb to be slain to atone for our sins.

Wednesday: 2 Samuel 20:1-26 Siege warfare was a terrible ordeal for the citizens of the city, and this wise woman was smart enough to seek a speedy end to the struggle. This is similar to our spiritual lives. The quicker we get rid of the "traitor" sin the better. Spend time in prayer asking for help to overcome any specific sins you are struggling with.

Thursday: Proverbs 12:17-25 Read verse 25 again. Spend time praying for those known to you who are struggling with mental health problems. Send a text or write a card to someone to lift their spirits.

Friday: Jeremiah 32:24-44 See verse 41 "See how God puts his whole heart to the work when he is blessing his people. When he forgives sin, it is with his whole heart and soul. May we, with our whole heart and soul, repent of our sin; and then, with all our heart and soul, serve the Lord!" (Spurgeon) How will you respond to this quote?

Weekend: Ephesians 2:11-22 In verse 20 Paul refers to Jesus as the cornerstone. He provides the foundation. He is the first stone laid, the one upon which all the angles of the building are based. Pray that as we discuss plans for our church growth that we will keep Jesus at the centre and we will "rise to become a holy temple in the Lord" both corporately and individually.