

Bible Readings week 118 - w/c 10/2/19

Monday: Luke 5:27-39. Like others in the gospels, Levi “left everything” when he followed Jesus. What have you left behind in order to be Christ’s disciple? Are there things in your life that still need to be laid down if you are to be wholehearted in your walk with him?

Tuesday: Leviticus 14:1-32. In verse 14 the believer was anointed first with blood on the ear, the thumb, and the big toe, and later with oil also. This symbolised that what we hear and think, what we do, and where we go, need anointing by blood and oil. Are all these areas of your life surrendered to Christ’s blood and forgiveness, as well as to the oil of the Holy Spirit’s anointing for service?

Wednesday: 1 Kings 7:1-51. Solomon was meticulous in building and furnishing both his own palace and the Temple of the Lord. He wanted what he built to make a statement to all who saw it. Recognising that for New Testament Believers, the gathering of believers is God’s Temple, what statement do our worship gatherings make to those who visit?

Thursday: Psalm 90:1-17. Make verse 12 your prayer today. What does it mean to “number our days”? How can you do this appropriately in the light of eternity in order “to gain a heart of wisdom”? What could you do today to help you in this?

Friday: Jeremiah 46:1 - 47:7. As God pronounces judgement on Egypt and the Philistines, using Nebuchadnezzar of Babylon to execute his judgement upon them, he makes a promise to his people in v28. Read this verse again a couple of times, as a personal promise of God to you. How does it apply in your life and circumstances at the present time?

Weekend: Philippians 2:12-18. We are called to work out our salvation (v12) while God works out his purposes in us (v13). His sovereign purposes do not mean that we do not have an active part to play. Augustine reflects this thought when he wrote: “Without God, we cannot. Without us, God will not.” What does that mean in your home life, work and ministry, or church involvement at this time?