

Bible Readings week 122 w/c 10/3/19

Monday: Luke 6:43-49. Reading scripture and hearing God's word are not enough. We must do what God says to us. When was the last time God spoke to you through his word? What did he say? Have you obeyed everything he asked of you?

Tuesday: Leviticus 16:18-34. One day in seven was a rest day, a Sabbath, when no work was done, but the time was given to rest and worship. But there were other "Sabbath days" (v31) and this annual day of Atonement was one of them. We no longer slavishly follow the Old Testament laws, but the principle of resting and giving time to worship still stands. We should make time for rest and worship weekly as well as on special "holy days" as well. Do you plan these into your agenda? Will you start today?

Wednesday: 1 Kings 10:1-29. When two of the richest rulers in the world meet no expense is spared. The amount of gold mentioned in v14 would be equivalent to over 250 million pounds today! Yet we are reminded that Jesus is greater than Solomon. The wealth he shares with us is more precious than silver or gold, and the honour due to him is greater than that offered to the richest and most influential of world leaders. How can you honour him adequately today?

Thursday: Psalm 94:1-23. When are you most likely to think the same as the wicked people in v7? The God we serve knows everything about us even when we think he is not aware of our circumstances. Can you trust him even in the difficulties of life, when it feels like he is not watching or is not hearing your prayers?

Friday: Jeremiah 50:1-20. There is a reference in v20 to a search for Israel's guilt. But this remnant has been forgiven because of the new covenant sealed by Christ's blood. Thank God that any sin and wrongdoing that we have committed is forgiven because Jesus paid the price. No search of our life or past will uncover any sin, because our forgiveness in Christ is absolute.

Weekend: Philippians 4:1-9. These verses contain great truths concerning disagreements, prayer and joy, among other things. Which of these verses speaks to you at the present time? Turn this into prayer and praise as you seek to live these truths out this weekend.