

Week 145 w/c 18/8/19

Monday: Luke 14:25-35 This passage talks about the cost of following Christ. In verse 34 we are told that salt is of no use if it loses its flavour. We are no use to God if we lose our passion for Christ. Revelation 3:16 warns against being a lukewarm Christian. Are you willing to carry your cross and be a disciple of Christ?

Tuesday: Numbers 7:1-47 These offerings were very generous. God is teaching the Israelites to change their mindsets from being slaves to being Promised land people. The slave by nature is a taker because he is often unsure of provision. Promised land people are generous, because they trust in a God who promised to meet all their needs. Do you need to change your mindset when it comes to generosity?

Wednesday: 2 Kings 10:1-36 Clearly, there was much good in the reign of Jehu. He was absolutely committed to fulfilling God's judgment against the house of Ahab and driving the worship of Baal out of Israel. Yet, Jehu was also clearly disobedient and did not obey or serve God with all his heart. Are you following God whole-heartedly or just as much as your interest permits?

Thursday: Psalm 107:1-22 This Psalm describes how God saved the Israelites from many trials. The Psalmist uses the recurring phrase "Let them give thanks to the Lord for his unfailing love and his wonderful deeds for mankind, for he....." Use this phrase in your worship today filling in the end of the statement in as many ways as you can.

Friday: Ezekiel 13:1-23 The work of the false prophets had at least two terrible effects. Their work brought sadness to the heart of the righteous, and it strengthened the hands of the wicked. Not only were the godly discouraged, but also the wicked would not turn from his wicked ways to save his life. God still speaks to us today. Pray that God will help you to distinguish between true and false prophecy.

Saturday: 2 Thessalonians 3:1-10 Paul asks the Thessalonian church to pray that the message of the Lord may spread rapidly and be honoured. Pray for the churches in Carlisle that the Gospel message will touch people's lives. Pray for John and Rachel McDonough for their missionary work in Paraguay and for the work of our partners in the Philippines, that the message of God's love will reach far and wide.