

THE CHAPEL FAMILY BIBLE READING PROGRAM – JANUARY 18-23

THE BOOK OF DEUTERONOMY RECORDS THE WORDS MOSES SPOKE TO THE PEOPLE IN THE 40TH YEAR FOLLOWING THE EXODUS ON THE OTHER SIDE OF THE JORDAN RIVER FROM THE PROMISED LAND. IT IS KNOWN AS DEUTERONOMY (SECOND LAW) BECAUSE MOSES RECAPS THE TEN COMMANDMENTS AND THE LAWS GOVERNING THE COVENANT BETWEEN GOD AND THE ISRAELITES.

MONDAY: Deuteronomy 15:7-11; Isaiah 61:1; Matthew 19:21; Isaiah 51:1-3; Matthew 19:16-26

KEY VERSE: Isaiah 61:1

OBSERVATION: HELPING THE POOR: *“Loving and serving God should be synonymous with helping the poor. It is certainly on God's heart, as He incorporated many verses in His written word about this very topic”* Karla Hawkins. OPEN YOUR HAND TO THE POOR. **1.** Be aware of the poor around you. **2.** Resist the temptation to be hardhearted towards the poor. **3.** God cares about the poor. **4.** God expects His people to help the poor. **5.** God blesses those who are generous toward the poor.

TUESDAY: Deuteronomy 16:13-17; I Corinthians 16:2; John 16:24; Philippians 2:1-5 and 4:4; I John 1:1-4

KEY VERSE: Deuteronomy 16:13

OBSERVATION: COME TO GOD'S PARTY: *“Joy is the Holy Fire that keeps our purpose warm and our intelligence aglow.”* Helen Keller. CHRISTIAN JOY is the kind of happiness that doesn't depend upon what happens. **1.** God blesses His people with resources. **2.** Celebrate God's blessings regularly. **3.** Celebrate God's blessings with others. **4.** Celebrate God's blessings with our tithes and offerings. Which of these three celebrations are you strong in and which one needs improvement?

WEDNESDAY: Deuteronomy 17:14-20; Proverbs 11:3; Luke 16:10; I John 14:1

KEY VERSE: Proverbs 11:3

OBSERVATION: GOD'S IDEAL POLITICIAN: *“The only worthy politician is the one who sees himself as servant to the lowest in society while checking the power of the highest.”* Author unknown. The ideal politician is: **1.** The one of God's own choosing. **2.** One who shares the value of God's people. **3.** Does not use the office for personal gain. **4.** Knows and applies God's Word. **5.** Feels God and follows Him. What would you add or subtract from this list?

THURSDAY: Deuteronomy 25:13-16; Proverbs 11:1; Proverbs 12:17

KEY VERSE: Deuteronomy 25:15

OBSERVATION: DOING BUSINESS GOD'S WAY. *“Being trusted is a greater compliment than being loved.”* **George McDonald.** **1.** God demands integrity. **2.** Don't create or support ways to cheat. **3.** Honest business and relationships stabilize relationships at every level. **4.** God detests dishonesty and will ultimately judge it. Have you ever been cheated? How did that feel? How did you respond? Have you ever cheated?

FRIDAY: Deuteronomy 30:15-20; Proverbs 10:16; 14:12; 19:21; Philippians 4:8

KEY VERSE: Deuteronomy 30:15-16

OBSERVATION: CHOOSE LIFE! 1. God gives people the awesome power to choose. **2.** Choosing to love and obey God results in blessing, **3.** Choosing to reject God results in death. **4.** CHOOSE LIFE! God wants all people to choose life – to choose to love and obey Him. Is it easy or difficult for you to obey the Lord and His scripture?

SATURDAY: Deuteronomy 33:26-29; I Samuel 2:2; Psalm 31:1-3

KEY VERSE: Deuteronomy 33:27

OBSERVATION: THE GOD LIKE NO OTHER. Consider the following names of God in the Bible: ELOHIM: Power and Strength. EL-SHADDAI: The Almighty. ADONAI: The Sovereign Master. YHWH/JEHOVAH: I AM that I AM. JEHOVAH JIREH: God the Provider. JEHOVAH RAPHE: God that Heals. JEHOVAH SHALOM: God is Peace. What do these names mean to you? Why does God have so many names. How many other names can you find for God in the Bible?