

THE CHAPEL FAMILY BIBLE READING PROGRAM – NOVEMBER 23-27

“GO TO THE CROSS AND YOU WILL FIND YOUR WAY HOME TO GOD. ARE YOU WEAK? SO AM I. ARE YOU NEEDY? SO AM I. ARE YOU GUILTY? SO AM I. ARE YOU FRAIL? SO AM I. ARE YOU LIKE DUST? SO AM I.

MONDAY: Psalm 103:6-19; Isaiah 61:1-3

KEY VERSE: Isaiah 61:1

OBSERVATION: “What does love look like? It has the hand to help others. It has feet to hasten the poor and needy. It has eyes to see misery and want. It has the ears to hear the sighs and sorrows of men. That is what love looks like. God loves to help the needy. How about you?”

TUESDAY: Matthew 5:1-12; Titus 3:4-5

KEY VERSE: Matthew 5:7

OBSERVATION: There are four great attributes of God in Matthew chapter 5. **1) The Lord is compassionate** - He pardons us. **2) The lord is gracious** – He gives us what we don't deserve. **3) The Lord is slow to anger** – He is patient with us when we fall. **4) The Lord abounds in love** – He loves us more than we can imagine.

When He saves, He saves completely. When He forgives, He forgives all my sins. When He sets us free, we are free forever. How will you show mercy in your everyday life? *“The most miserable prison in the world is the prison we make for ourselves when we refuse to show mercy.”*

WEDNESDAY: James 1:19-20; Ephesians 4:26-27; Matthew 5:22

KEY VERSE: Ephesians 4:32

OBSERVATION: Anger is just one letter short of **danger**. He who angers you **conquers** you. *“God withholds His wrath and so should we. He's more ready to forgive than we are to be forgiven.”* When we forget to pray, He remembers to feed us. When we idle in sin, He sends His Holy Spirit to convict us. When we refuse to give, He keeps giving still. When we fall, He lifts us up. When we disappoint ourselves and others, He still calls us His children.

THURSDAY: I John 1:8-10; James 5:16

KEY VERSE: I John 1:9

OBSERVATION: God is always ready to forgive your sins anytime you ask. If you are at odds with someone or you have been hurt by someone remember this ***“He who forgives ends the quarrel.”*** Forgiving is essential to your relationship with God. D.L. Moody wrote, *“I firmly believe a great many prayers are not answered because we are not willing to forgive.”* Have you experienced this? Do you agree with this statement? Why or why not? Do you need to employ it today? Who do you need to forgive? When will you do it?

FRIDAY: I Chronicles 16:11; Psalm 18:1-3; Philippians 4:13

KEY VERSE: Psalm 18:2

OBSERVATION: God understands our weakness. *“When we pray for the Spirit's help...we will simply fall down at the Lord's feet in our weakness. There we will find the victory and power that comes from His love.”* Andrew Murray. Are you aware of your weaknesses? Have you sought the Lord's help? Do you hesitate asking for help because of embarrassment; despair; failure in the past; believe that God doesn't love you; other? Are you aware that Satan is a liar and he will do anything to interrupt your relationship with God?

SATURDAY: Matthew 7:13-14; John 3:16; I John 5:13-15

KEY VERSE: I John 5:14

OBSERVATION: God links us to eternity by linking us with Himself. *“We must meet the uncertainties of this world with the certainty of the world to come. A.W. Tozer. “If I find in myself a desire which no experience in this world can satisfy, the most probable explanation is that I was made for a different world.” C.S. Lewis. Are you looking forward to your new world to come or do you doubt, fear or dread it? Do you experience your “link with God?”*

A great deal of this Bible study was based on an article by Ray Pritchard entitled *“What God Remembers that we Forget.”*