

The Chapel Family Bible Reading Program – July 4-9
There Are Three Elements To an (Aha) Moment: 1. Sudden Awakening.
2. Brutal Honesty. 3. Immediate Action.

MONDAY: Acts 9:1-19; Isaiah 6: 1-13

KEY VERSE: Acts 9:3-4

OBSERVATION: The Apostle Paul was highly educated and dedicated to the Jewish religion. He persecuted the first Christians. God had different plans for him. He would become a dynamic “**Soul Winner**”. Saul was a kingly name. Paul means “one of small stature”. Why did God change his name?

TUESDAY: Genesis 22:1-19.

KEY VERSE: Genesis 22: 2

OBSERVATION: The sacrifice of Isaac put Abraham to his most agonizing test, a trial to be passed completely, because of his faith in God. Why did God tell Abraham to sacrifice Isaac? Who is the Angel of the Lord? What would you have done if you were Abraham? What spiritual lesson do you take away from this story?

WEDNESDAY: Genesis 32:1-32

KEY VERSE: Genesis 1:28

OBSERVATION: *“Wrestling with God is a sign of intimacy. You can't wrestle with someone you're far away from”.* All his life Jacob was wrestling his father, brother and Uncle Laban. But the real struggle had always been with this one with whom he now grappled – this unknown adversary in the night. Jacob had been wrestling all his life. But now he comes to understand that his real struggle had been a spiritual one. Who was Jacob wrestling with? Who are you wrestling with? Is it time to “give up”?

THURSDAY: John 20:1-30; Luke 12:7; Isaiah 55:8-11

KEY VERSE: John 20: 29

OBSERVATION: *“I believe in the sun, even when it's not shining. I believe in love even when I am alone. I believe in God, even when He is silent.* C.S. Lewis. Does God sometimes seem silent to you? Did He take a vacation; go on a sabbatical, run out of energy, doesn't love you anymore? Remember there were 400 years of silence between the Old Testament and the new. What do you think?

FRIDAY: Revelation 1:1-20

KEY VERSE: Revelation 1:4

OBSERVATION: John penned the book of Revelation while exiled on a desolate rock called Patmos. Why did God allow this? What good came from it? Do you ever wonder why God allows you to go through challenges in life? How do you choose to handle the situation? Do you sense Gods' presence or does He seem far away? What have you learned from these experiences? Was God with John?

SATURDAY: Ecclesiastes 7:14

KEY VERSE: Ecclesiastes 7:14

OBSERVATION: God is always with us but there are unique times when we have a **GOD MOMENT**. Sometimes those moments are in times of prosperity and joy. Others are those moments when we face a challenge. Consider the following questions about handling adversity: 1. How am I responding to it? 2. How should I respond to it? 3. Am I learning from it? 4. Does my response demonstrate faith, love for God and for others 5. How can God use it in my life? Just as God was with the Old and New Testament heroes He is with you today. **WHAT KIND OF GOD MOMENTS HAVE YOU EXPERIENCED?**