

The Chapel Family Bible Reading Program – January 2 - 7
Doing Life Together – A Way New

MONDAY: Deuteronomy 1:18; Deuteronomy 5:1; Psalm 143:8

KEY VERSE: Exodus 18:20

OBSERVATION Jesus' contemporaries often referred to Torah (God's decrees and instructions) as The Way. "Teach them his decrees and instructions, and show them the way they are to live and how they are to behave" What can we learn from the teachings of the OT? How does the teachings of the OT show up in the NT?

TUESDAY: Hebrews 4:2; Jude 1:5;

KEY VERSE: Deuteronomy 1:32-33

OBSERVATION: God promises to show us the way. It's human nature to not trust God—to want to go our own way—even when he clearly shows us his way. "In spite of this, you did not trust in the LORD your God, who went ahead of you on your journey, in fire by night and in a cloud by day, to search out places for you to camp and to show you the way you should go" How do you understand the difference between things that are sometimes true or true for certain people (relative truth) and things that are always true for everyone (absolute truth)?

WEDNESDAY: Psalm 25:5; Psalm 84:5; 1 Kings 8:26

KEY VERSE: Psalm 86:11

OBSERVATION: God invites us to walk through life his way. "Teach me your way, LORD, that I may rely on your faithfulness; give me an undivided heart, that I may fear your name" How are the way, the truth, and the life related? How do these three ideas interconnect in your experience of following Jesus?

THURSDAY: Psalm 19:8; Proverbs 10:17; Psalm 119:130

KEY VERSE: Proverbs 6:23

OBSERVATION: God's way promises the abundant life. God's words and commands are known throughout the Bible as "the way," and understood as the only way to an abundant life. "For this command is a lamp, this teaching is a light, and correction and instruction are the way to life".

FRIDAY: Deuteronomy 4:6; Proverbs 12:28; Amos 5:4

KEY VERSE: Deuteronomy 32:46-47

OBSERVATION: God's gift of the law is a gift of life. The Old Testament law, given to the children of Israel, was considered a gift of life. "Take to heart all the words I have solemnly declared to you this day, so that you may command your children to obey carefully all the words of this law. They are not just idle words for you—they are your life".

SATURDAY: John 5:40; John 10:11

KEY VERSE: John 10:9-10

OBSERVATION: Jesus came to give us life. Jesus is the Life, and he came to give us that same life.

"I am the gate; whoever enters through me will be saved. They will come in and go out, and find pasture. The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full". What do you think Jesus idea was behind the phrase "life to the full"? Is he talking about material things or spiritual things?