

The Chapel Family Bible Reading Program – May 13th – May 18th
Doing Life Together – Doing Life Together

MONDAY:

KEY VERSE: Genesis 2:18

OBSERVATION: The Hebrew term for “helper or help” is predominantly used of God the “helper,” or deliverer (sixteen times out of twenty-one occurrences). Thus, the term points away from the subordination of woman and asserts her equality. In sum, Genesis 1 and 2 present human life as it was meant to be, a life that is as good for woman as for man.

TUESDAY:

KEY VERSE: 2 Samuel 13:1-2, 6-14

OBSERVATION: Tamar, King David’s daughter, is raped by her own half-brother, Amnon, who is King David’s son. Tamar’s sense of shame and her personal pain overcomes her and we are told in scripture that she became a desolate (gloomy, depressed) woman. Tamar’s story is a reminder to us that devastating, unfair things will happen in our lives. However, we should not allow terrible things that have happened to us to ruin our future.

WEDNESDAY:

KEY VERSE: Matthew 9:20-22

OBSERVATION: The woman we meet in scripture has been ill for 12 years. Undoubtedly, she has tried everything to address her illness, but nothing has worked. She hears about Jesus and becomes convinced that He can help her if she can just get close enough to touch his cloak. Through her tenacity, she gets to Jesus and touches him. He feels the energy transfer between him and the sick woman and tells her that her faith has healed her. Life Lesson: Connecting with God and having an attitude that is full of faith is the answer to all of our problems.

THURSDAY:

KEY VERSE: Luke 10:38-42

OBSERVATION: Martha is focused on the wrong thing. She is distracted by that which is insignificant. She has Jesus at her house. This is a once in a lifetime type opportunity to learn from Him...but she is focusing on the wrong things. We, too, worry about things we shouldn’t be concerned about. We are distracted too. Our focus should be on God. Life Lesson: Don’t worry about insignificant things. Focus your attention of learning more about God.

FRIDAY:

KEY VERSE: Acts 16:13-15

OBSERVATION: Lydia was willing to receive the Word of God and when she did, her family responded too and opened their hearts. Her household was baptized into Christ because she, first, responded to the Word of God. Life Lesson: Worried about your family and their lack of a relationship with God? Be like Lydia. Continue to be an example for them to follow.

SATURDAY:

KEY VERSE: 1 Kings 17:7-16

OBSERVATION: Elijah visits a widow who is a victim of a severe drought. Because there is famine in the land, she has accepted that she and her son will die. She has begun to make preparations for their very last meal. She tells Elijah that all she has left is a little oil and a handful of flour. He instructs her to make bread for him and then for her and her son and assures her that the Lord will provide more food for them to eat.– Just as Elijah said, the Lord continued to provide for her and her son and she continued to have as much oil and flour as she needed.– Life Lesson: Use what you do have wisely. Even when the situation looks bad, be obedient and God will continue to provide.