

The Chapel Family Bible Reading Program – September 9th – 14th
Doing Life Together – Doing Life Together

MONDAY:

KEY VERSE: Deuteronomy 6:5

OBSERVATION: This is the core foundation of human existence; to love God first. When one bases their life on any other foundation, they cannot live their life to the fullness. God created us to be in fellowship with Him. When we are not, our lives are out of sync with reality. The Christian's love of God must be at the center of their walk of faith.

TUESDAY:

KEY VERSE: John 13:35

OBSERVATION: In the Gospels, when Jesus was asked concerning what the greatest Commandment was, He included 'loving your neighbor' with the admonition to 'love the Lord with all your heart'. He said that these were the two greatest commandments. Anything that is important to God's heart should be important to our hearts also.

WEDNESDAY:

KEY VERSE: Romans 12:2

OBSERVATION: The apostle Paul tells us that we should not let the philosophies of the world change the way we think, but we should 'renew our minds' to think thoughts that God would have us think (Romans 12:2). Paul also instructs us to think on things that are true, honorable, just, pure, lovely, commendable, excellent, and worthy of praise (Philippians 4:8 ESV).

THURSDAY:

KEY VERSE: Philippians 2:14-15

OBSERVATION: How Jesus followers conduct ourselves in public can be a powerful witness for Jesus. If we strive to be honest and truthful in all our personal and business relationships people will see that we are different from those who care nothing for honesty and do whatever it takes, ethical or unethical, to get what they want.

FRIDAY:

KEY VERSE: James 1:22

OBSERVATION: A person who merely assents to the truths of God's Word in his or her mind, but never acts on those beliefs, may not even be saved. They might simply be deceiving themselves. Paul says in Romans 2:3 that, "it is not the hearers of the law who are righteous before God, but the doers of the law who will be justified" (ESV). James tells us that, "For as the body apart from the spirit is dead, so also faith apart from works is dead" (2:26 ESV). A belief that is not authentic enough to influence one's actions is probably not a belief that one holds very seriously.

SATURDAY:

KEY VERSE: Romans 6:12-13, 12:9

OBSERVATION: Sin is the one thing that can steal our peace, our joy, and it can even corrupt our relationship with God to the point that we are miserable and cease to be a witness of God's goodness and glory. Sadly, sin is something we must choose to commit. Therefore, believers must make resisting sin a top priority.