

Trinity Church Bible Reading Plan

Week of March 22

Day 1: Philippians 1:1-11; Proverbs 1
Day 2: Philippians 1:12-19; Proverbs 2
Day 3: Philippians 1:20-26; Proverbs 3
Day 4: Philippians 1:27-30, Proverbs 4
Day 5: Weekly Questions, Proverbs 5

1. How has Paul's experience of Christ shaped his perspective on life?
2. In what ways do you see a lack of good perspective keeping you from abounding in love for God, or for others? Where are you tempted to have a bad perspective in life?
3. What might it look like for Paul to honor Christ in life? In death? What does he mean by, "to live is Christ, to die is gain"?
4. What changes do you need to make to your lifestyle to demonstrate that the gospel and Christ's honor are your top priorities?

Week of March 29

Day 1: Philippians 2:1-11, Proverbs 6
Day 2: Philippians 2:12-18, Proverbs 7
Day 3: Philippians 2:19-24, Proverbs 8
Day 4: Philippians 2:25-30, Proverbs 9
Day 5: Weekly Questions, Proverbs 10

1. What do we learn about Christ's nature from this chapter?
2. What is "the word of life"? How would holding fast to the word of life enable the Philippians to remain joyful as they obeyed God?
3. What have you seen trigger grumbling or complaining? What lies are you believing about God, yourself, your situation that drive your negative attitude in these situations?

Week of April 5

Day 1: Philippians 3:1-11, Luke 19:28-40
Day 2: Philippians 3:12-16, Mark 14:1-11
Day 3: Philippians 3:17-21, Luke 22
Day 4: Philippians 4:1-23, Isaiah 53
Day 5: Weekly Questions, Luke 23

1. What does it mean to "put no confidence in the flesh"? Why do you think Paul gives himself as an example of this? What does Paul put his confidence in now?
2. What does it mean to be "found in" Christ? How is this related to being righteous?
3. Why does Paul place such an emphasis on the life of the mind (1:27, 2:2, 2:5, 3:15, 3:19, 4:8)? How does the mind fit into our ability to live a life worthy of the gospel?
4. What keeps us from feeling the contentment that Paul felt? When do you live as though God were not meeting "all your needs according to his glorious riches in Christ Jesus"?

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Week of April 12

Day 1: Luke 24, Proverbs 11

Day 2: James 1:1-18, Proverbs 12

Day 3: James 1:19-27, Proverbs 13

Day 4: James 2:1-13, Proverbs 14

Day 5: Weekly Questions, Proverbs 15

1. What are good things that come out of trials and tribulations?
2. When temptation comes, why do people tend to blame others and excuse themselves instead of taking responsibility for their sin and their action?
3. How does God's view of wealth compare with your view? In what specific areas do you need to align your thinking about wealth and poverty with God's?
4. What one truth from 2:1-13 impresses you as something you need to apply?

Week of April 19

Day 1: James 2:14-26, Proverbs 16

Day 2: James 3:1-18, Proverbs 17

Day 3: James 4:1-10, Proverbs 18

Day 4: James 4:11-17, Proverbs 19

Day 5: Weekly Questions, Proverbs 20

1. James uses some practical examples to explain why controlling our tongues is a key to maturity. He also compares the tongue to a horse's bit and a ship's rudder. What do these images have in common?
2. What practical advice would you give someone who wanted to control his or her tongue better?
3. What weaknesses in our lives does our speech often expose?
4. How did James describe the way we should come to God?

Week of April 26

Day 1: James 5:1-6, Proverbs 21

Day 2: James 5:7-12, Proverbs 22

Day 3: James 5:13-20, Proverbs 23

Day 4: Proverbs 24

Day 5: Weekly Questions, Proverbs 25

1. Why does James speak so strongly against self-indulgence? What kinds of self-indulgent activities are "in now"? Why is this inappropriate for believers?
2. How is Elijah a good example of how God answers prayer?
3. It has been said that one of Satan's strategies is to change the price tags while no one is looking so that people value the wrong things. In the light of this, what do people tend to pursue that has little eternal value?