

2023 Reading Plan

Week 4 (Genesis 43-Exodus 6, Psalms 16-18, Luke 15-19)

- Genesis 43-50
 - Character test of Joseph's brothers
 - Compassion test of Joseph's brothers
 - Joseph reconciles with his brothers
 - Joseph provides for the Family of Israel
 - Joseph provides for the People of Egypt
 - Joseph provides for Pharaoh
 - Joseph receives the Blessing for his sons
 - Jacob blesses the 12 tribes
 - Joseph believes God to the end
- Exodus 1-6 The Lord delivers the people of Israel from bondage in Egypt
 - How the bondage begins
 - Opening genealogy
 - Oppression begins
 - Oppression continues
 - Moses' early life and calling
 - Moses's mother endeavors to save her son
 - Moses's life is preserved by Pharaoh's daughter
- Moses' failure
 - Moses' sojourn in Midian
- The call of Moses: reluctance and compulsion
 - The nation's bondage recalled
 - Moses called to the burning bush
 - Moses commissioned by "I AM WHO I AM"
 - Moses's 1st objection
 - Moses's 2nd objection
 - A preview of coming events
 - 3 signs and 1 spokesman of Moses
 - Transitions
- The Return of Moses: failure and (re)confirmation
 - Reunion of Moses and Aaron and reception by the Nation
 - Rejection by Pharaoh
 - A patient reminder of the Lord's promises
 - Genealogy of Moses and Aaron
- Psalm 16-18
 - Confidence in life and death
 - Praying for protection

- Praise for God's personal deliverance
- Luke 15-19
 - 3 parables of 'lost and found'
 - Lost sheep
 - Lost coin
 - Lost son
 - Parables and teachings for disciples and Pharisees
 - Dishonest manager
 - Faithfulness in service
 - Corrections for the Pharisees
 - Rich man and Lazarus
 - Jesus warning, teaching & healing
 - Sayings for disciples
 - Healings of 10 lepers
 - Jesus teaching on the Kingdom and the second coming
 - Pharisees' question
 - Instruction to the disciples
 - 2 parables concerning prayer and righteousness
 - Widow and the judge
 - Pharisee and the tax collector
 - Jesus meets children, a wealthy ruler, a blind man & Zaccheus
 - Jesus foretells his death and resurrection

- Parable of the 10 minas
- Ministry in Jerusalem
 - Triumphal entry
 - Preparations for entry
 - The entry event
 - Jesus's lament over the city
 - Jesus and religious leaders
 - A conflict begins

Reading Goals

- Read the passages aloud.
- Summarize the passages. Does everyone agree with the summaries? Were there any major points missed or incorrect in the summaries? Reread if necessary.
- What do the passages reveal about our God and King?
- What do the passages tell you about how people relate to God? Also, how *should* people relate to God?
- Since this is God's Word to us, is there anything in your life that needs to change in order to obey Him at His Word?
- Who in your life would benefit from reading these passages with you for better understanding about our God? Ask them if they'd like to read with you.

Is there anything confusing? Did you find some passages difficult to read or understand? Pray & discuss those passages with one another. If there's still difficulty, reach out to another believer or two. When difficulty remains, don't drop the subject. Continue to pray for guidance. Ask to discuss the passage with the elders. The elders meet on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month. However they're available for prayer & discussions - just give a call.
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