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Dear Brothers & Sisters in Christ,

Thank God that we know Jesus and we have His Word to study. When we know what His Word says and we do it we are basing our lives on the unshakable truth and we will not be shaken. Look at Psalms 62:6 **"He alone is my rock and my salvation; he is my fortress, I shall not be shaken."**

God bless you as you study God's Word this month.

Gladly in His Service,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Dr. Jason".

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**Wednesday February 1**

**Scripture Reading: Exodus 27-28**  
**Matthew 21:23-46**

Praise the Lord! We are making our way through the book of Psalms and Psalms 98:8 says, **“Let the rivers clap their hands, let the mountains sing together for joy;”** Everything and everyone should praise the Lord! Nature should praise Him and we should certainly praise Him. Think of all the wonderful things He has done in your life and it will make it much easier to praise Him.

Jesus told a parable about two sons. One did the will of the Father and the other one didn't. Guess which one was blessed? James 1:25 says, **“But the man who looks intently into the perfect law that gives freedom, and continues to do this, not forgetting what he has heard, but doing it--he will be blessed in what he does.”** The blessing comes when we know what God wants us to do and we DO it. Keep hearing from Him and then be sure to DO the things He speaks to you.

Later Jesus made a very strong statement in Matthew 21:43 **“Therefore I tell you that the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people who will produce its fruit.”** Doesn't this sound serious? Those who don't do the will of God won't bear fruit for Him and they will miss out on His Kingdom. We want to be those who live fully for Him and DO all of His will. As we do those things we will position ourselves to receive more and more from Him. That is being blessed!

*Prayer: Lord, I know that You are worthy of all praise and I want to praise You more. I really am thankful for all that You have done in my life and I want to show my gratitude more. I also thank You for speaking to me about how You want me to live. I want to be a DOER of Your Word and not a HEARER only. I know that Your ways are always right. In Jesus' Name, Amen.*



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**Thursday February 2**

**Scripture Reading: Exodus 29-30**  
**Matthew 22:1-22**

Praise the Lord! Psalms 98:8-9 say, **“Let the rivers clap their hands, let the mountains sing together for joy; let them sing before the LORD, for he comes to judge the earth. He will judge the world in righteousness and the peoples with equity.”** There is a time when God is going to judge all people. Thank God we have given our lives to Jesus. We will be judged not guilty because Jesus paid the price for our sins. This is certainly a good reason for us to praise God!

Look at Matthew 22:15 **“Then the Pharisees went out and laid plans to trap him in his words.”** How do you think this is going to work out for these Pharisees? You probably already know how it works out but let me tell you anyway. They were never able to trap Jesus. He was always wiser than they were and He was always more than able to handle their attempts to trap Him. After all, He was the wisest man alive and they weren't.

They asked Him about paying taxes and Jesus basically told them to pay the taxes they owed but then live for God. You see, living for God is what is most important. Look at what Matthew 22:22 says, **“When they heard this, they were amazed. So they left him and went away.”** They knew that Jesus had answered them with a level of truth that shut them up and so they went away. Thank God that we serve Jesus and He still has all truth for us.

*Prayer: Lord, I am so glad You are the One in charge of things like judgement. I choose to trust You in all things. I am very thankful that Jesus bore all my judgement on the cross and now I am going to live for You. Help me to come to You when I need wisdom. I know that You are all knowing and where else would I turn. In Jesus' Name, Amen.*



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**Friday February 3**

**Scripture Reading: Exodus 31-33**  
**Matthew 22:23-46**

Praise the Lord! Psalms 99 talks about how great God is and it reminds us that we should praise Him for His greatness. Psalms 99:1 **“The LORD reigns, let the nations tremble; he sits enthroned between the cherubim, let the earth shake.”** If we just got the truth that the Lord reigns it would be enough to help us to praise Him. After all if He reigns who else would we ever praise? He is the One true and living God

Look at Matthew 22:36-37 **“Teacher, which is the greatest commandment in the Law?” Jesus replied: “Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.”** Have you ever heard the saying, “Keep the first things first?” If we would keep the first and greatest commandment then we would be on track for all the rest. If a person did other things that may be good but didn’t love God first they would have missed out on the most important thing.

Look at the next couple of verses, Matthew 22:38-40 **“This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: ‘Love your neighbor as yourself.’ All the Law and the Prophets hang on these two commandments.”** Love God and love people and you will fulfill all of God’s commands.

*Prayer: Lord, I know that You are King of kings and Lord of lords. I want You to rule and reign over every area of my life. I know that doing what You want is always the best way to live and I am determined to live like You want. I also thank You that You will help me to live a life of love. I want to love You and other people and I know that doing these things is always right. I love You. In Jesus’ Name, Amen.*



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**Saturday February 4**

**Scripture Reading: Exodus 34-36**  
**Matthew 23:1-22**

Praise the Lord! Psalms 99:2 says, “**Great is the LORD in Zion; he is exalted over all the nations.**” God is greater than all other things. This verse says He is exalted over all the nations. He isn’t exalted over a couple of the nations. He is exalted over them all. Thank God that we have given our lives to Him. He is well able to take care of us.

Matthew 23:1-3 “**Then Jesus said to the crowds and to his disciples: “The teachers of the law and the Pharisees sit in Moses’ seat. So you must obey them and do everything they tell you. But do not do what they do, for they do not practice what they preach.”** These people were teaching the right things but they weren’t living what they taught. It is interesting that Jesus told the people to do what they were teaching because it was still the truth.

Look at the next verse, Matthew 23:4 “**They tie up heavy loads and put them on men’s shoulders, but they themselves are not willing to lift a finger to move them.**” We see the crux of the problem here. They were teaching good things but they weren’t helping people. Yesterday, we saw that Jesus said we should love God and we should love people. These teachers may have been teaching good things but they weren’t loving the people. You see, if they had loved them they would have helped them.

*Prayer: Lord, I know that You are great and that You are exalted above all things. I want to live for You like You deserve. Help me to know Your ways better. I also want to thank You for the good teachers You have brought into my life. I want to learn from the things they teach and I want to learn from how they live. In Jesus’ Name, Amen.*



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**Sunday February 5**

**Scripture Reading: Exodus 37-38**  
**Matthew 23:23-39**

Praise the Lord! Psalms 99:4 says, **“The King is mighty, he loves justice--you have established equity; in Jacob you have done what is just and right.”** God is King and He always does everything right. He is also always just. Thank God that we know these things. They will help you to know that you can always trust God with every part of your life. Even when you don't know how things are going to work out you can still trust God because He is always just and He is always right.

Matthew 23:23 says, **“Woe to you, teachers of the law and Pharisees, you hypocrites! You give a tenth of your spices--mint, dill and cummin. But you have neglected the more important matters of the law--justice, mercy and faithfulness. You should have practiced the latter, without neglecting the former.”** When Jesus said, “Woe unto you” to someone it was very serious. These people were legalistic about some things and yet they missed other things that were even more important. They were legalistic about tithing but they neglected justice, mercy and faithfulness.

Look at the last part of what Jesus said to them, **“You should have practiced the latter, without neglecting the former.”** Their tithing was good but they should have added justice, mercy and faithfulness to their lives. So, be a tither. Jesus has endorsed it AND live for Him in every other area of your life too.

*Prayer: Lord, I know that You are always just and I know that You are always right. I am so glad that I have given my life to You and I am thankful for everything good that You have brought into my life. Help me to really live for You. I want to submit every area of my life to Your Lordship. In Jesus' Name, Amen.*



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**Monday February 6**

**Scripture Reading: Exodus 39-40**  
**Matthew 24:1-22**

Praise the Lord! I just realized I skipped Psalms 99:3. So, here it is for today, **“Let them praise your great and awesome name--he is holy.”** God is holy and we should praise Him. God is great and we should praise Him. God is awesome and we should praise Him. Do you get the idea that my point for today is that we should praise Him?

Matthew 24:4 says, **“Jesus answered: “Watch out that no-one deceives you.”** Jesus doesn't want us to be deceived and so He warned us about it. God is always looking out for us. When He knows of something that is dangerous He will warn us. Think about what a good deal this is. We have the God who knows everything looking out for us. Let's keep listening to Him and living how He wants us to live.

It is also important for us to remember that the Word is one of the greatest safeguards against being deceived. When we know the truth of God's Word it can and will protect us from getting off track. This is why it is significant that you are spending time in His Word every day. Look at 2 Timothy 3:16, **“All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness.”** We need ALL of God's Word. Stay open for God to teach you, rebuke you, correct you and train you as you study His Word.

*Prayer: Lord, I know that You are always worthy of my praise and I want to give it to You more consistently. I know that focusing on good things will help me to praise You. I always want to stay open to You and Your Word. Please continue to speak to me and I am going to be quick to do all that You ask me to do. In Jesus' Name, Amen.*



Tuesday February 7

**Scripture Reading: Leviticus 1-3  
Matthew 24:23-51**

Praise the Lord! Psalms 99:5 says, **“Exalt the LORD our God and worship at his footstool; he is holy.”** To exalt means to lift up. Now, I know we can’t literally lift God up. He is already above all things but we can lift Him up as we praise Him and esteem Him.

Matthew 24:23-25 **“At that time if anyone says to you, ‘Look, here is the Christ!’ or, ‘There he is!’ do not believe it. For false Christs and false prophets will appear and perform great signs and miracles to deceive even the elect--if that were possible. See, I have told you ahead of time.”** The devil wants to deceive us but Jesus is stronger than the devil. We need to stay close to Jesus and keep studying His Word and we will be safe. Isn’t it wonderful that Jesus warned us of this potential problem so we could avoid it? Here’s another important thing. The more you know the real Jesus you will never fall for a false christ.

Look at Matthew 24:35 **“Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will never pass away.”** The more we know the Word and base our lives on it the better off we will be. Matthew 7:24 says, **“Therefore everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock.”** Know the Word and do what it says. Then your life will be built on the rock and nothing will blow you away or get you off track. We are so blessed to be able to study God’s Word every day.

*Prayer: Lord, I choose to lift You up in my life. I know that there is nothing above You and I want to live fully for You. I want to know You and Your Word better so I will never be deceived. I know that Your Word is always right and I want to base everything I believe and everything I do on it. I love You! In Jesus’ Name, Amen.*



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**Wednesday February 8**

**Scripture Reading: Leviticus 4-6  
Matthew 25:1-30**

Praise the Lord! Look at Psalms 99:6 **“Moses and Aaron were among his priests, Samuel was among those who called on his name; they called on the LORD and he answered them.”** These people called on the Lord and He answered them. 1 Corinthians 10:11 says, **“These things happened to them as examples and were written down as warnings for us, on whom the fulfilment of the ages has come.”** Let’s learn from them. They called on the Lord and He answered them. So, let’s do the same thing and God will answer us just like He answered them.

We need to follow Jesus for the long haul. Five of the women talked about in our reading weren’t ready for the long haul. Look at Matthew 25:13 **“Therefore keep watch, because you do not know the day or the hour.”** We need to be ready all the time. When we are living for Him all the time we will always be ready for whatever happens.

The next parable talks about our being faithful. When we are being faithful all the time then we will be ready for God to use us more. Matthew 25:21 says, **“His master replied, ‘Well done, good and faithful servant! You have been faithful with a few things; I will put you in charge of many things. Come and share your master’s happiness!’”** When the Master returned he was ready because he was being faithful. When we are faithful we will be ready too.

*Prayer: Lord, I want to consistently call upon You. I know that You will always do Your part and answer me when I do my part. Help me to be ready by being faithful all the time. I want to be used by You more and I know that my faithfulness positions me to be used more and that is what I want. I love You! In Jesus’ Name, Amen.*



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**Thursday February 9**

**Scripture Reading: Leviticus 7-9**  
**Matthew 25:31-46**

Praise the Lord! Psalms 99:7 is talking about people who called on the Lord in the Old Testament and it says, **“He spoke to them from the pillar of cloud; they kept his statutes and the decrees he gave them.”** God doesn’t speak to us like this now. He speaks to us through Jesus and His Word but He is still speaking. Thank God for that. Our part is to listen and then to do what He asks us to do.

Matthew 25:40 says, **“The King will reply, ‘I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me.’** Jesus is telling us some very important things here. First of all, God knows what we do. That is good news when we do good things and bad news for those who don’t. Jesus is also telling us that when we help those who are down and out we are really helping Him. I know this might seem hard to believe but Jesus said it and we believe Him and everything He says.

When the judgement happens it is final and it will last forever. Matthew 25:46 says, **“Then they will go away to eternal punishment, but the righteous to eternal life.”** Because we have given our lives to Jesus we will be in eternal life forever and those who don’t have Him as Lord and Savior will be in eternal punishment for just as long. Some people teach that the punishment won’t last forever but they are wrong because Jesus is always right.

*Prayer: Lord, I am so thankful for all You speak to me. I want to hear everything You say directly or through Your Word and I want to be a doer of Your Word and not a hearer only. I also want my relationship with You to affect how I live. Help me to love people and help me to actively assist them as You lead me. I know Your ways are always right. In Jesus’ Name, Amen.*



Friday February 10

**Scripture Reading: Leviticus 10-12  
Matthew 26:1-19**

Praise the Lord! Psalms 99:8 **“O LORD our God, you answered them; you were to Israel a forgiving God, though you punished their misdeeds.”** Aren't you glad that God forgives us when we need it? 1 John 1:9 says, **“If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.”** When we sin, we need to confess it and ask God to forgive us. He promises to forgive us and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. Thank God!

Look at Matthew 26:18 **“He replied, “Go into the city to a certain man and tell him, ‘The Teacher says: My appointed time is near. I am going to celebrate the Passover with my disciples at your house.’”** This probably seems like a verse that many people would read right over but there is something here I want to comment on. Jesus gave His disciples some instructions and then it was up to them to do what He said. This is important because it is a picture of how we should be living. Let Jesus speak to you and then do what He says. John 10:27 says, **“My sheep listen to my voice; I know them, and they follow me.”**

The next verse in Matthew 26 says, **“So the disciples did as Jesus had directed them and prepared the Passover.”** Simple enough! Jesus told them what to do and they did it and everything worked out just like Jesus wanted. Doesn't this sound like a great way to live?

*Prayer: Lord, I am so glad that You have provided all the forgiveness I will ever need. Help me to run to You and never away from You when I sin. I also thank You for cleansing me of all unrighteousness. Help me to hear what You are saying to me and help me to do what You say. I can see that is how things work out and Your ways are accomplished. In Jesus' Name, Amen.*



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**Saturday February 11**

**Scripture Reading: Leviticus 13**  
**Matthew 26:20-54**

Praise the Lord! Look at the last verse of Psalms 99, **“Exalt the LORD our God and worship at his holy mountain, for the LORD our God is holy.”** Lift up the Lord and worship Him. He is holy. When we spend time with God we will live more holy lives too. Thank God for all the good work He is doing in our lives and He is the One who is going to finish His work in us. Philippians 1:6 **“Being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus.”**

Jesus knew what He was going to have to go through and yet He stayed submitted to the Father’s will. We need to live the same way. We can learn much of His will from the Word and then we need to live like God wants. Look at 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 **“Be joyful always; pray continually; give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God’s will for you in Christ Jesus.”** These things are God’s will for your life. Will you submit to them or fail to do so?

Peter said he wouldn’t deny the Lord and yet we know he did. Look at Matthew 26:35 **“But Peter declared, “Even if I have to die with you, I will never disown you.” And all the other disciples said the same.”** All the other disciples said they weren’t going to turn back on the Lord too and yet they all did. Here’s some good news and then we will pray. Jesus didn’t quit on them and He won’t quit on us either.

*Prayer: Lord, I know that You are holy and I am so thankful for the good work You are doing in my life. Help me to yield to You and Your work quickly and completely. I also want to do the parts of Your will that I know. Help me to really live for You. I know that Your ways are right and I don’t want to miss out on anything You have for me. In Jesus’ Name, Amen.*



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Sunday February 12

Scripture Reading: Leviticus 14  
Matthew 26:55-75

Praise the Lord! Psalms 100 is a short chapter but it is full of praise and thanksgiving to God. Psalms 100:1 **“Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth.”** I was driving my car yesterday and felt like shouting unto the Lord. I did it and it was wonderful. I have learned that God’s ways are always right and when I do what He asks me to do it is always a blessing.

In our reading, Jesus was arrested. It is always important for us to remember that Jesus had not done anything wrong. In fact He was completely innocent. He had never even sinned. Hebrews 4:15 says this about Jesus, **“For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who has been tempted in every way, just as we are--yet was without sin.”** Jesus was tempted in every way, just as we are and yet He never sinned. So, why was He arrested? He was arrested because He came to die for our sins.

Peter disowned Jesus just like He said he was going to do. The other disciples also fled just like Jesus said they were going to do. Through this all Jesus didn’t quit on them. Can you say, “Thank You Jesus!”? Look at 2 Timothy 2:13 **“If we are faithless, he will remain faithful, for he cannot disown himself.”** That is an amazingly wonderful promise. I know we have all let the Lord down and yet here we are still studying His Word because He remains faithful to us.

*Prayer: Lord, I love You and I really do want to live for You. Help me to know that You speak to me from Your Word because it is a good thing for me to know Your ways. Also please help me to do what You show me. I know that You died on the cross for my sins and I am so thankful. Help me to be more faithful to You. In Jesus’ Name, Amen.*



Monday February 13

Scripture Reading: Leviticus 15-17  
Matthew 27:1-31

Praise the Lord! Yesterday we were told to shout to the Lord and now look at Psalms 100:2, "**Worship the LORD with gladness; come before him with joyful songs.**" Worship Him with gladness and sing joyful songs. This sure sounds different than how some people worship God. I know there are times when we should be quiet and serious but there are also times to be glad and joyful.

Judas was one of the disciples who denied the Lord. He ended up killing himself. All of the other disciples denied the Lord and yet they made it. When we sin we need to run to Jesus for forgiveness. Anything less than that can lead to all kinds of problems.

When Jesus was on trial Pilate was willing to release either Jesus or Barabbas. Now, get the picture. Jesus was totally innocent and Barabbas was guilty. You have read what happened. Barabbas was released and Jesus died on the cross. You may have never thought about this but we are like Barabbas. We were guilty and Jesus was innocent. Jesus died on the cross and we were released. Isn't that amazing? Look at 2 Corinthians 5:21 "**God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.**" God made Jesus to be sin for us!

*Prayer: Lord, I am so glad that You are my Lord. I want to worship You with joy and gladness. I am also thankful that You are the One working in my life. I know that every good thing in my life is a product of Your presence. Help me to know more of what You have done for me and the blessings You have provided for me. In Jesus' Name, Amen.*



Tuesday February 14

**Scripture Reading: Leviticus 18-19  
Matthew 27:32-66**

Praise the Lord! Psalms 100:3 says, **“Know that the LORD is God. It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, the sheep of his pasture.”** God made us and we are His. Thank God. Look at Psalms 23:1 **“The LORD is my shepherd, I shall not be in want.”** Having God as our Shepherd is a wonderful thing. The Shepherd looks out for us and provides everything we need. That is why it says, **“I shall not be in want.”**

Jesus died on the cross for our sins. That is one of the most amazing truths ever. Without His sacrifice we would all be lost in our sins with no hope for salvation. Because He died on the cross for our sins we can spend all eternity with Him in heaven. Thank God we have given our lives to Him and now we need to let Him rule and reign in every area of our lives.

After Jesus died He was buried. Look at Matthew 27:65-66 **“Take a guard,” Pilate answered. “Go, make the tomb as secure as you know how.” So they went and made the tomb secure by putting a seal on the stone and posting the guard.”** The guards did everything they could to make the tomb where Jesus was buried secure. They didn’t want anyone getting in and they didn’t want anyone getting out. They didn’t know it but they were going to fail because Jesus was going to be raised from the dead and their paltry efforts were not going to keep Him in the tomb.

*Prayer: Lord, I am glad that I belong to You. You made me and You saved me and I am so thankful. I love having You rule and reign in my life. Jesus, thank You that death, hell and the grave could not hold You. I know that You are alive because You are making such a huge difference in my life. I love You! In Jesus' Name, Amen.*



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**Wednesday February 15**

**Scripture Reading: Leviticus 20-21  
Matthew 28**

Praise the Lord! Look at the wonderful instruction in Psalms 100:4 **“Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name.”** This is actually an instruction for us and that means the Lord wants us to actually do this. Enter into His gates with thanksgiving and His courts with praise! Anytime you want to draw near to Him, He is ready and now you have been reminded that you can draw near to Him with thanksgiving and with praise.

Do you remember when the guards made the tomb where Jesus was as secure as they could? I told you then that they wouldn't be able to keep Jesus in the tomb and now we see that Jesus was raised from the dead! Look at Matthew 28:12-13 **“When the chief priests had met with the elders and devised a plan, they gave the soldiers a large sum of money, telling them, “You are to say, ‘His disciples came during the night and stole him away while we were asleep.’”** This was a sad attempt to cover up the fact of the resurrection. After all if the guards were asleep, like they were told to say, then how could they know that the disciples took the body?

In the last verses of Matthew, Jesus instructed His disciples to go and preach the Good News. Think about this. These are the same disciples that just denied Him a little while ago. Jesus must have trusted His work in their lives a lot.

*Prayer: Lord, I am so thankful that I can draw near to You any time I want. I know that You are always ready and willing to meet with me. I also want to come with thanksgiving and praise. I love You! Help me to have a greater revelation of Your resurrection. I know that You are alive and I want to represent You well. In Jesus' Name, Amen.*



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**Thursday February 16**

**Scripture Reading: Leviticus 22-23**  
**Mark 1:1-34**

Praise the Lord! I want us to look at the verse we covered yesterday again. Psalms 100:4 **“Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name.”** The last part of this verse tells us that we enter into His presence as we give thanks and praise Him. If you ever feel like you need to draw near to Him spend some time being thankful and you will be right in His presence.

The Gospel of Mark jumps right into the ministry of Jesus. Mark was the first Gospel to be written and he probably didn't know any others would be written. So, we get the sense that he wanted to quickly cover as many things as possible. In the very first chapter, he covers the ministry of John the Baptist, Jesus' baptism, Jesus' temptation, the calling of disciples, the casting out of demons, the healing of the sick, Jesus prayer life and a man with leprosy being healed! That is a lot in one chapter.

Look at Mark 1:32-34 **“That evening after sunset the people brought to Jesus all the sick and demon-possessed. The whole town gathered at the door, and Jesus healed many who had various diseases. He also drove out many demons, but he would not let the demons speak because they knew who he was.”** These two verses cover a lot!

*Prayer: Lord, I really am thankful for all that You have done in my life. I know that I should be even more thankful. Help me to remember all that You have done for me and help me to fill my thoughts with thankfulness. Please continue to speak to me from the Word and help me to really get all that You are wanting to show me. I know that Your ways are right and I don't want to miss out on anything You have for me. In Jesus' Name, Amen.*



**Friday February 17**

**Scripture Reading: Leviticus 24-25**  
**Mark 1:35-45**

Praise the Lord! Psalms 100:5 **“For the LORD is good and his love endures for ever; his faithfulness continues through all generations.”** This is the last verse of Psalms 100 and it is wonderful. God is good, He is loving and He is faithful. Doesn't that just about cover everything? He only does good things, He always loves us and He is always consistently faithful. I am sure glad we have given our lives to Him!

Look at Mark 1:35 **“Very early in the morning, while it was still dark, Jesus got up, left the house and went off to a solitary place, where he prayed.”** Jesus was a man of prayer. In this case He got up early and went off to be alone and pray. I am sure you have had times when you were very busy and it is times like that when we probably need to pray the most. Prayer was important enough for Jesus that He made time to pray.

Look at Mark 1:36-37 **“Simon and his companions went to look for him, and when they found him, they exclaimed: “Everyone is looking for you!”** They wanted to find Jesus and they knew that He was probably praying. This means Jesus was evidently known for spending time in prayer. You see, He didn't just pray this one time. He prayed a lot. Now, if Jesus prayed a lot don't you think we should? Look at what Paul wrote in 1 Thessalonians 5:17 **“Pray continually.”** Jesus must have done this and we would do much better if we would pray more too.

*Prayer: Lord, I thank You for Your goodness, Your love and Your faithfulness. I know that trusting You is always the right decision and I love You so much. Please help me to pray more. I know how to pray and I know that I should. So, please help me to actually pray more. In Jesus' Name, Amen.*



Saturday February 18

Scripture Reading: Leviticus 26-27  
Mark 2

Praise the Lord! Psalms 101 was written by David and in it he declared that he is going to really live for the Lord. Psalms 101:1 says, **"I will sing of your love and justice; to you, O LORD, I will sing praise."** David said, "I WILL sing and I WILL praise." I think this was David setting his will to do these things. When we submit our wills to God's will it is a good thing.

Look at Mark 2:1-2 **"A few days later, when Jesus again entered Capernaum, the people heard that He had come home. So many gathered that there was no room left, not even outside the door, and He preached the word to them."** Praise the Lord. Did you notice the part that I underlined? It was the preaching of the Word that people came for. Now I know many were healed too but they were able to believe for their healing because of the Word that had been preached.

Romans 10:17 says, **"Consequently, faith comes from hearing the message, and the message is heard through the word of Christ."** Jesus preached the Word and then the people had something to put their faith in. This is one of the reasons I am so happy that you are doing these devotions every day. You have plenty of opportunities to hear the Word and let it produce faith in your life. When God speaks to you from the Word believe it and never give up. The Word will produce in your life.

*Prayer: Lord, I love You and I want to set my will to live for You and to praise You. I know You are worthy and I know that doing those things would be good for me so I WILL praise You! I also thank You for Your Word. Please continue to speak to me from it and help me to have faith in everything You say. In Jesus' Name, Amen.*



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**Sunday February 19**

**Scripture Reading: Numbers 1-2**  
**Mark 3:1-21**

Praise the Lord! Look at what David said in Psalms 101:2 **“I will be careful to lead a blameless life--when will you come to me? I will walk in my house with blameless heart.”** Now we all know that David had some problems with sin but he evidently received forgiveness and now he was determined to go on living for God. We need to learn from this. If and when you blow it get forgiveness and then set your will to live for God. He will forgive you and help you to do better.

The people who were opposing Jesus used their belief about the Sabbath time and time again. They didn't think Jesus should have been healing on the Sabbath. Look at Mark 3:4 **“Then Jesus asked them, “Which is lawful on the Sabbath: to do good or to do evil, to save life or to kill?” But they remained silent.”** I sure love Jesus and I am glad I am on His side. He asked them straight out whether a person should do good or evil on the Sabbath. Should they save life or kill? They remained silent. You see, they knew they were wrong and if they gave an answer that lined up with how they were living they would look bad so they remained silent. Jesus is sure the One who looks courageous in all this.

Mark 3:7 **“Jesus withdrew with his disciples to the lake, and a large crowd from Galilee followed.”** Wherever Jesus went people followed Him because they knew He loved them, He would help them and He would teach them the truth.

*Prayer: Lord, I am so thankful for all the times You have forgiven me. Help me to run to You and not away from You when I have sinned. I know I need Your help! I am also thankful for all that I am learning about Jesus. Thank You, Jesus for loving me, helping me and teaching me the truth. In Jesus' Name, Amen.*



Monday February 20

Scripture Reading: Numbers 3-4  
Mark 3:22-35

Praise the Lord! Look at what David wrote in Psalms 101:3 **"I will set before my eyes no vile thing. The deeds of faithless men I hate; they shall not cling to me."** I am sure David did better when he avoided setting vile things before his eyes and I am equally sure we would all do better if we would not set anything vile before our eyes too. Are you sure of that? Will you back your answer up with corresponding action?

Look at Mark 3:22 **"And the teachers of the law who came down from Jerusalem said, "He is possessed by Beelzebul! By the prince of demons he is driving out demons."** I don't know if these guys had ever driven a demon out of a person but I bet they hadn't. Here they are criticizing someone who was helping people. They even went so far as to say that Jesus was Himself possessed by the devil. Why would the devil cast other devils out? This makes them look foolish again and it makes Jesus look good.

Mark 3:35 **"Whoever does God's will is my brother and sister and mother."** This is sure important. Jesus is looking for people who do the will of the Father. John 14:21 says, **"Whoever has my commands and obeys them, he is the one who loves me. He who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I too will love him and show myself to him."** You see, some people know about God and his ways but it is those who really do what He wants who really love Him. So, keep learning His ways and put them into practice in your life.

*Prayer: Lord, I am thankful for everything You speak to me. Help me not to set any vile thing before my eyes. I know that You are looking out for me and I want to do what You say. I don't want to be a hearer of Your Word only. I want to be a doer. Help me to live like You want and help me to represent You well. In Jesus' Name, Amen.*



Tuesday February 21

**Scripture Reading: Numbers 5-6  
Mark 4:1-20**

Praise the Lord! Psalms 101:3 says, **"I will set before my eyes no vile thing. The deeds of faithless men I hate; they shall not cling to me."** I know this is the verse we covered yesterday but I wanted to say some more about it. David said he hated the deeds of faithless men. I am sure this meant that he hated the deeds of men who were evil. It is ok to hate the evil things that some people do. I am sure you have read the newspaper or watched the news and felt just like this. We can love the people and hope they will get saved and hate what they do at the same time.

The parable of the sower is one of the most important parables. Look at what Jesus said in Mark 4:13 **"Then Jesus said to them, "Don't you understand this parable? How then will you understand any parable?"** There are keys in the understanding of this parable that will help us with all other parables. Basically this parable is about the Word and how we handle it. Some people hear the Word and then lose it and others hold on to it and then the Word produces in their lives.

Mark 4:20 **"Others, like seed sown on good soil, hear the word, accept it, and produce a crop--thirty, sixty or even a hundred times what was sown."** We want to be good soil. We should hear the Word, accept it and let it produce a crop in our lives. Knowing these things will help us when we hear other truth from other parables. Hold on to the Word and never quit!

*Prayer: Lord, I want to hate what You hate. I know there are evil people doing things that deserve to be hated. Help me to hate the deeds and yet care enough about the people to pray for them. I also want to be good soil. I want to hear Your Word, accept it and let it produce in my life. I don't want to miss out on anything You have for me. In Jesus' Name, Amen.*



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Wednesday February 22

**Scripture Reading: Numbers 7  
Mark 4:21-41**

Praise the Lord! I didn't know I would be spending so much time on Psalms 101:3 but here we go again, Psalms 101:3 **"I will set before my eyes no vile thing. The deeds of faithless men I hate; they shall not cling to me."** In the last part of this verse, David said there were some things that would not cling to him. Think about this in context. Because he was not going to set vile things before his eyes and because he was going to hate evil things he was going to be free from bad things that might have otherwise clung to him. This sounds like something we should learn from.

Look at Mark 4:35 **"That day when evening came, he said to his disciples, 'Let us go over to the other side.'**" When this says, **"That same day"** it means it was the same day that Jesus had taught the parable of the sower. Do you remember the point of that parable? We need to hold on to the Word and never quit. Now, Jesus spoke a Word to the disciples. He said, **"Let's go over to the other side!"** When they faced a storm they should have held on to that Word. They didn't do that. They got into fear and ended up asking Jesus if He even cared for them.

Now, there are a lot of points I could make from this and here are a couple. This was like a test on what He had just taught them and they didn't pass. But He still loved them and kept working with them. Praise the Lord! There's hope for us.

*Prayer: Lord, I know that You have shown me how to get rid of bad things that cling to me. Help me to do what I should do to be free. I also thank You for showing me that I need to hear Your Word, accept it and let it produce in my life. I don't ever want to quit on the things You have spoken to me. I know they will produce life for me. In Jesus' Name, Amen.*



Thursday February 23

Scripture Reading: Numbers 8-10  
Mark 5:1-20

Praise the Lord! Psalms 101:4 says, **“Men of perverse heart shall be far from me; I will have nothing to do with evil.”** The people you hang around will influence you. This is why David said he wasn’t going to hang around perverse people. He wanted to have nothing to do with evil. Now we do want to help people and here is how to know if you are spending too much time with unsaved people. If they are influencing you in bad ways it is too much time. If you are influencing them for good then keep being with them.

1 John 3:8 says, **“He who does what is sinful is of the devil, because the devil has been sinning from the beginning. The reason the Son of God appeared was to destroy the devil’s work.”** I know we aren’t covering 1 John but notice the part of that verse that I underlined. Jesus came to destroy the works of the devil. Thank God that He did just that.

In our reading for today, Jesus set a man free who was demon possessed. That was surely destroying the works of the devil. When Jesus did this the people of that area asked Jesus to leave. You see, I think they knew that Jesus was going to make some changes in their lives too and they evidently didn’t want that. Jesus did tell the man who was set free to go back to those people and let them know what a wonderful thing Jesus had done for him. You see, Jesus was still reaching out to these people because He still loved them and He wanted them to be blessed. Thank God for His patience with us.

*Prayer: Lord, help me to make sure I hang around people who will help me to live for You and help me to influence people to love You more. I also want You to destroy all of the devil’s work in my life. I want to keep my life open to You and closed to the devil. I want all the life and life in abundance You have for me. In Jesus’ Name, Amen.*



Friday February 24

Scripture Reading: Numbers 11-13  
Mark 5:21-43

Praise the Lord! Psalms 101:5 says, **“Whoever slanders his neighbor in secret, him will I put to silence; whoever has haughty eyes and a proud heart, him will I not endure.”** David was king and he had been saying that he was going to live for God and he went even further in this verse. Now, he says that he was going to make sure that others lived right too. You see, we need to use the influence we have to help others do well.

Yesterday, I made the point that Jesus told the disciples to go to the other side of the lake and they failed the test. They should have held on to the words of Jesus and had faith. Well, they did get across the lake and Jesus set a man free from the works of the devil just like He had planned. Then they went back across the lake. Mark 5:21 **“When Jesus had again crossed over by boat to the other side of the lake, a large crowd gathered round him while he was by the lake.”** Now, they went back across the lake. Do you think they had some thoughts about the last trip? I hope they reflected on the time before and learned from it. When we don't stand in faith like we should we need to learn and then do better in the future.

Jesus is always speaking to us. We need to hear Him and do what He says. John 10:27 says, **“My sheep listen to my voice; I know them, and they follow me.”** Keep listening to Jesus and do what He says. You will make it. Remember, He is the One who is working in your life.

*Prayer: Lord, I am so thankful for all that You have done in my life. I now want to use the influence I have to help others to live for You. I know that Your ways are always right and I want to help others more. Help me to hear Your voice, believe it and do what You say. I don't want to make any mistakes but if I do I want to learn from them. In Jesus' Name, Amen.*



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**Saturday February 25**

**Scripture Reading: Numbers 14-15**  
**Mark 6:1-33**

Praise the Lord! Look at what David said in Psalms 101:6 **“My eyes will be on the faithful in the land, that they may dwell with me; he whose walk is blameless will minister to me.”** Someone might read this and think it was God speaking but it was actually David who said this. He was saying that he wanted to surround himself with people who were really living for God. Don't you do better when you are around people who live like you do and who love God like you do? Being with them helps you and I hope you and your life are a help to others in the same way.

In the first part of our reading for today, Jesus went to His home town and ministered there. Look at Mark 6:4-5 **“Jesus said to them, “Only in his home town, among his relatives and in his own house is a prophet without honour.” He could not do any miracles there, except lay his hands on a few sick people and heal them.”** Because they were so familiar with Him they couldn't put their faith in Him and they missed out. He did heal some people but they missed out on miracles.

Look at the next verse, Mark 6:6 **“And he was amazed at their lack of faith. Then Jesus went round teaching from village to village.”** Jesus was amazed at their lack of faith. I sure don't want to amaze Jesus like this. After this Jesus went on to other places where people would put their faith in Him. He wasn't distracted from what God wanted Him to do by their missing out.

*Prayer: Lord, I am thankful for my Godly friends who help me to live for You. Help me to influence others for good as well. I also want to be a person of faith. I know that believing in You is always right and I don't want to miss out on anything You have for me. Help to keep learning Your ways as we spend time in Your Word. In Jesus' Name, Amen.*



Sunday February 26

Scripture Reading: Numbers 16-17  
Mark 6:33-56

Praise the Lord! Psalms 101:7 **“No-one who practices deceit will dwell in my house; no-one who speaks falsely will stand in my presence.”** This is still David speaking. There had evidently been times when David had spent too much time with evil people and they had probably influenced him in bad ways. Now, he was committed to avoiding that mistake again. I sure hope you can learn from this. Be around people who will help you to live the way you want and the way God wants you to live.

Look at Mark 6:41-44 **“Taking the five loaves and the two fish and looking up to heaven, he gave thanks and broke the loaves. Then he gave them to his disciples to set before the people. He also divided the two fish among them all. They all ate and were satisfied, and the disciples picked up twelve basketfuls of broken pieces of bread and fish. The number of the men who had eaten was five thousand.”** This miracle is in all four gospels. Jesus is still able to take a little, that has been given to Him, bless it and then do great things with it.

Mark 6:56 **“And wherever he went--into villages, towns or countryside--they placed the sick in the market-places. They begged him to let them touch even the edge of his cloak, and all who touched him were healed.”** Hebrews 13:8 says, **“Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and for ever.”** Jesus was the Healer and He still is.

*Prayer: Lord, I am thankful for Godly friends who help me to live for You. I want to draw on their strength and I want to be a help to them as well. I give You my life and ask You to work miracles for and through me. I know that giving my life to You was the best decision I ever made and I am never going to turn away from You and Your ways. In Jesus' Name, Amen.*



**Monday February 27**

**Scripture Reading: Numbers 18-20**  
**Mark 7:1-13**

Praise the Lord! Look at how David ended this Psalm. Psalms 101:8 **“Every morning I will put to silence all the wicked in the land; I will cut off every evildoer from the city of the LORD.”** David was determined to live for God and he was going to use his influence to help his people to do the same thing. We need to stand up for God and help others to do the same thing. Many times a person is needed who will stand up for God and what is right. Are you willing to be that person?

Look at what Jesus said to the Pharisees in Mark 7:6-7 **“He replied, “Isaiah was right when he prophesied about you hypocrites; as it is written: ““These people honour me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me. They worship me in vain; their teachings are but rules taught by men.””** These people were saying some things that seemed right but they weren't living like God wanted them to live. He even said their worship was in vain.

Look at the next verse, Mark 7:8, **“You have let go of the commands of God and are holding on to the traditions of men.”** This is interesting. They let go of one thing so they could hold onto the other. In this case, they made the wrong decision. They should have let go of the traditions of men so they could hold on to the commands of God. We need to make the choice to hold on to the Word of God and then we need to never quit. God always blesses His Word and those who are standing on it in faith.

*Prayer: Lord, I love You and I want to stand up for You and what is right more. I know that You have blessed me so much and I want to be faithful to represent You well. I also want to base my whole life on Your Word. I will hold onto it over anything else in my life. Help me to do this and to let others know that this is the right thing to do. In Jesus' Name, Amen.*



Tuesday February 28

**Scripture Reading: Numbers 21-22  
Mark 7:14-37**

Praise the Lord! Psalms 102 is a Psalm of a man who was going through hard things and he was crying out to God for help. Psalms 102:1 **"Hear my prayer, O LORD; let my cry for help come to you."** We will see that some of the things this guy says are good and some of them aren't so good. In this verse, he was crying out to God for help that is always good. Thank God that we know He always hears us when we call out to Him.

Mark 7:14-15 say, **"Again Jesus called the crowd to him and said, "Listen to me, everyone, and understand this. Nothing outside a man can make him 'unclean' by going into him. Rather, it is what comes out of a man that makes him 'unclean.'"** The first thing that stood out to me from this is that Jesus called the crowd to Him and He wanted them to understand what He was saying. You see, God is not hiding His ways from us. He wants to speak to us and He wants us to understand His ways. This is so important for us to remember. It shows that God is good and that He loves us. So, don't forget these things.

The last section in this chapter talked about Jesus healing a man who was deaf and couldn't speak. Look at Mark 7:35 **"At this, the man's ears were opened, his tongue was loosened and he began to speak plainly."** Jesus healed his deafness and enabled him to speak plainly. This was a double miracle. You see, people who are deaf don't know how to speak but Jesus even made it so he could speak clearly. Jesus is so wonderful!

*Prayer: Lord, I thank You for always hearing me when I call out to You. Knowing this is such a blessing and I am never going to doubt Your goodness toward me. I also thank You for teaching me that You are the Healer. I am never going to doubt Your goodness in this area either. I love You! In Jesus' Name, Amen.*



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**Wednesday February 29**

**Scripture Reading: Numbers 23-25**  
**Mark 8:1-21**

Praise the Lord! Psalms 102:2 says, **“Do not hide your face from me when I am in distress. Turn your ear to me; when I call, answer me quickly.”** Thank God that we have more revelation, as New Testament believers, than this man had. We know that God will never hide His face from us. We are so blessed to know Jesus. He took our sins on the cross so we could draw near to God and know that He hears us when we call out to Him.

In our reading, Jesus fed 4,000 men plus women and children with only seven loaves of bread. Mark 8:8 said, **“The people ate and were satisfied. Afterwards the disciples picked up seven basketfuls of broken pieces that were left over.”** This was a wonderful miracle that shows how much Jesus cares for people. They were hungry and so He fed them. Thank God that we know His goodness. Not everyone knows His goodness like we do.

Look at Mark 8:11 **“The Pharisees came and began to question Jesus. To test him, they asked him for a sign from heaven.”** Jesus had just fed a huge number of people and ended up with way more left over than He started with. Now, these guys want a sign from heaven! Jesus had just given them a huge sign and yet they wanted more. You see, when people don't want to see the truth they will miss it. We love Jesus and we want to see His goodness so we see it all the time.

*Prayer: Lord, I love You and I am so thankful for all the wonderful things You are doing in my life. Help me to remember Your goodness all the time. I want to walk in Your blessings and I want to show Your goodness to others. I love seeing You work and I can't understand others who miss what You are doing. I will be praying for them to see and know You. In Jesus' Name, Amen.*