

DAILY BIBLE STUDY SHEET

Daily meditation on the Word of God is imperative to our growth. As the people of God, we should commit to reading Scripture every day. There are questions to help prompt your meditation. If you do not have a Bible, please contact the church office and one will be given to you. To locate the passages, use the Table of Contents to find the page number. The number before the colon will tell you the chapter to find. The numbers after the colon are the superscript numbers in your Bible indicating the verses to read.

Monday, February 7th – Proverbs 17

Welcome to Monday where we will continue our study of Proverbs. Today we go through Chapter 17. Please read through it and again make notes on the various themes. We have twelve one-verse themes in this chapter. We will focus on the main themes and just reference the one-verse topics. A main theme in this chapter is FAMILY LIFE. We read about this in vss. 2, 6, 17, 21, and 25. What is the wisdom shared about family life? WICKED vs. GODLY is the next theme in vss. 4-5, 20 and 23. What differences are given? A new theme arises this week, PEACE and CONFLICT in vss. 1, 13-14 and 19. What are we taught about peace and conflict? DISCIPLINE is also a theme in vss. 10-11, 26. These are diverse teachings on this subject. Then comes the theme of FOOLS in vss. 12, 16, 24. Would you be considered a fool in light of these descriptions? WORDS are once again included in vss. 27-28. Then there are individual themes in vss. 3, 8, 9, 15, 17 and 22. These themes will be developed further in the week, as other chapters will say more on them. What do these themes reveal to you about God and His order of things? What does it reveal to you about humanity? How do these point to Jesus?

Tuesday, February 8th – Proverbs 18

As we move to chapter 18, take a moment, and read it through, seeking out various themes. Most of these proverbs are on one-verse themes. But there is one theme that is one-third of the whole chapter, and that theme is WORDS. How we use words, the damage that they can cause or the good that they can do are found in vss. 4, 6-8, 13, 17, 20 and 21. What do you learn from these verses on the use of words? The only other theme that has more than one verse is a description of the WISE, as described in vss. 15-16. The remaining verses all touch on themes we have encountered before. They are WICKED VS. GODLY in vs 3; FAMILY LIFE in vs. 22; DISCIPLINE in vs. 5; FOOLS, vs. 2; FINANCES, vs. 11; HEART HEALTH, vs. 14; GOD, vs. 10; LAZY vs. HARD WORKING, vs. 9; PRIDE vs. HUMILITY, vs. 12; PEACE AND CONFLICT, vs. 18; and RICH vs. POOR, in vs. 23. There is one new theme this week and it speaks about UNFRIENDLY PEOPLE in vs.1 and FRIENDSHIPS in general in vs. 24. These present godly wisdom, the wisdom of Solomon given to him by God. What do these bits of wisdom reveal to you about God? About humanity? How do they point to Jesus? Consider vss. 10, 18, 19, and 24.

Wednesday, February 9th – Proverbs 19

Today we move into chapter 19, which has fewer themes and more meat in each theme. Let's start by reading through the chapter and keeping an eye for the various themes covered. The largest theme covered is WISDOM vs. FOOLISHNESS in verses 2-3, 8, 20, and 27. What behaviors are wise, and which are foolish? Which category do you fall in? Equal in numbers to wisdom and foolishness is the theme RICH vs POOR in verses 4, 7, 10, 17 and 22. What facts and actions are revealed in these proverbs? FAMILY LIFE is also a large theme in this chapter, as we see in vss. 13-14, 18 and 26. We all have families. What does this teach us about family life? Once again, the theme WORDS appears in vss. 5, 9 and 28. Notice any similarities in these verses? DISCIPLINE is covered in vss. 18, 25, and 29. Who will experience punishment? Who are FOOLS is covered in 1 and 19. Pay attention to verse 19. LAZY vs. HARDWORKING is addressed in vss. 15 and 24. Then we encounter two new themes. First is GIFT GIVING/RULERS in vss. 6 and 12. Interesting wisdom offered. Not what we might expect. OBEDIENCE TO THE LAW/FEAR OF THE LORD is the other new theme found in vss. 16 and 23. The last two themes addressed are GOD in vs. 21 and FORGIVENESS in vs. 11. The attributes of God are great reminders of who God is. So, what do these reveal to you about God? About humanity? How do they point to Jesus?

Thursday, February 10th – Proverbs 20

Today is many themes with a few verses each and all have been covered previously. Let's start with the theme GOD in vss. 12, 24 and 27. What is revealed to you about God? Next is RULERS in vss. 2, 8, 26 and 28. WISE PEOPLE are described in vss. 5, 24, and 25. What wisdom do you collect from these verses? FAMILY LIFE is also addressed in vss. 11, 20 and 29. We learn much here. What is ACCEPTED/CONDEMNED BY GOD is found in vss. 10 and 23. FINANCE wisdom is found in 16 and 21. This ties into LAZY/HARDWORKING wisdom in vss. 4 and 13. FOOLS are described in vss. 1 and 3. Note what makes them foolish. The theme WORDS is in this chapter as well in vss. 15 and 19. These tie into PRIDE vs. HUMILITY in vss. 9 and 14. Then we have the one verse themes of WICKED vs. GODLY in vs. 7. FORGIVENESS in vs. 22. DISCIPLINE in vs. 30. SEEKING WISE ADVISE in vs. 18 and a new theme STEALING in vs. 17. Stealing seems to tie into Obedience to the Law we read yesterday. What do these reveal to you about God? Consider the consistency of the wisdom offered. What does this reveal about us? How do these point to Jesus?

Friday, February 11th – Proverbs 21

We close the week with our longest chapter, in Proverbs 21. Take a moment to read through it, looking for themes. There are 16 themes, most of which are two verses. The largest theme is WORDS, found in vss. 6, 23, 28-29. This theme is also the only one that is brought up in each chapter this week. WICKED vs. GODLY is found in vss. 10, 15, and 27 and is tied with LAZY/HARDWORKING in vss. 5, 17 and 25. The chapter ends with a description of GOD in vss. 30-31. The other two verse themes are: GIFT GIVING/RULERS in vss. 1 and 14; RICH/POOR in vss. 13 and 20; WISE PEOPLE in vss. 21-22; WISDOM vs. FOOLISHNESS in vss. 7-8; FAMILY LIFE in vss. 9 and 19; DISCIPLINE in vss. 11 and 18; FOOLS in vss. 16 and 24; and ACCEPTED/CONDEMNED BY GOD in vss. 3 and 12. The remaining themes have one verse to address the themes. They are: TESTING GOD in vs. 2 and a new theme, FINANCES, in vs. 17; GREED/GIVING in vs. 26 and PRIDE/HUMILITY in vs. 4. Which of these themes resonated with you this week? Which left you scratching your head? What does this reveal to you about God? What does it reveal about us, humanity? How did Jesus live out this wisdom in his life?

Saturday, January 29th - For tomorrow please read Proverbs 24.