

September 10th Readings

JOSHUA 5:1-7:15

LUKE 15:1-32

PSALM 81:1-16

PROVERBS 13:1

The Lord provides for his children. Even if we doubt, he does not leave us alone. We can conquer our own wilderness in and through Him. He rejoices when we follow him, and looks for us when we are astray. If we seek Him, he will provide when we follow his instruction. When we are in distress He is there for us, but we must turn to Him.

Dear God help us to follow you and focus on your words, knowing that you will always be there for us if we will just follow you and believe. Let us not go astray but help us to know that you are always looking for us just like the lost sheep, coin, and prodigal son. Help us to rejoice in you. Just as a son should hear his father's instruction so we should follow yours, oh Lord.

September 11th Readings

JOSHUA 7:16-9:2

LUKE 16:1-18

PSALM 82:1-8

PROVERBS 13:2-3

Following God's word and commandments is simple, but often not easy. Not wanting what someone else has is easier said than done. However, if we do not follow God's commandments we will face the consequences as our predecessors did when they did not follow God's instructions. Strive continuously to manage your affairs in a manner pleasing to God. Our final inheritance will be far greater than anything we could covet on this earth.

September 12th Readings

JOSHUA 9:3-10:43

LUKE 16:19-17:10

PSALM 83:1-18

PROVERBS 13:4

Every day of life presents challenges. These challenges are best met by seeking the counsel of the Lord in everything you do. How? Read your Bible, study His word and seek his guidance in prayer. Consider the following acronym - P.U.S.H. - Pray Until Something Happens. Will it always be the answer that we want? Possibly not, but know that it is always in our best interest. God admonishes us to not be afraid or dismayed and seeking his guidance in all we do can help us achieve this goal. If we have faith in God He will provide our needs. Add to this faith, diligence in seeking him, and he will supply.

September 13th Readings

JOSHUA 11:1-12:24

LUKE 17:11-37

PSALM 84:1-12

PROVERBS 13:5-6

How is your heart today? We have the ability to make choices both good and bad. We have that God-given ability. We find examples of God hardening hearts, but have you allowed yours to harden? Have others offended or sinned against you? Forgive them, and ask forgiveness if you have sinned against others. We have so much to be thankful for: the air we breathe, the roof over our head. An acronym for today: FGH – Forgive the past, Give thanks for the present, and have Hope for the future. Have you thanked God today? Put aside any wickedness and seek the Lord! Your hope for a future with Him in eternity is a prize worth seeking.

September 14th Readings

JOSHUA 13:1-14:15

LUKE 18:1-17

PSALM 85:1-13

PROVERBS 13:7-8

With the passage of time many things happen. Have you stayed faithful over time? How much time do you devote to your service to God? Commit yourself to more time worshiping God and serving him humbly and you will be exalted. Be consistent and persistent in your service; it will not go unnoticed. Through the passage of time and repetition we can demonstrate our love of the Lord. You may have heard the phase before: How do you spell love?: T-I-M-E. How much time did you devote to God yesterday, how much time today, and then tomorrow? Strive to show your steadfast love of the Lord.

September 15th Readings

JOSHUA 15:1-63

LUKE 18:18-43

PSALM 86:1-17

PROVERBS 13:9-10

Selfishness or selflessness: How blessed are you? Do you bemoan the fact of what you don't have? Yet, as even the poorest in the United States are wealthy in comparison to many countries. Would you walk away sorrowful if asked to give it all? What if Christ had not been willing to give his life for your sins? Don't let riches stand between you and the Lord. Humble yourself before the Lord and glorify him. He is the provider of all and we are his servants. His love abounds and is our help and comfort. Through selflessness we can have it all in our Lord Jesus Christ.

September 16th Readings

JOSHUA 16:1-18:28

LUKE 19:1-27

PSALM 87:1-7

PROVERBS 13:11

Are you doing the right thing? Have you examined your life and determined that a certain action or deed was the wrong choice? If you determine this is so, take action to correct this wrong, like Zacchaeus. Just like the Lord saw Zacchaeus, he sees us and knows what actions we have taken to make restoration for the situation. Likewise, if the attributes provided by the Father are hidden away we are not doing the right thing. Utilize what the Lord has provided to increase his kingdom.