# DAILY BIBLE READINGS - Week of July 20, 2025 "Bible Trilogies: But

### **GOD'S LOVE**

"For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son; that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life." God's love for people inspired Him to come up with a way to forgive their sins. That would be very difficult because God is holy. His heaven is a place that has no sin, no rebellion! The one instance was when an angel, Lucifer, rebelled against God. The result was his eviction from heaven. We read of that in Isaiah 14:12: "How art thou fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning! how art thou cut down to the ground, which didst weaken the nations!" After his creation, man was tempted by this enemy of God, and sinned. That caused humans to face an eternal death in hell, God's love caused Him to find a way to prevent that and liberate man from sin! That is the place to which God assigned Satan, a place of eternal torment. God's love for people compelled Him to provide a way for sinners to be washed clean of sin.

# **GOD'S GIFT**

# Monday ..... Read Romans 6:20-23

"For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord." A gift is something given to a person by a giver who bought the gift. The cost for the gift is absorbed by the one giving it and is free to the receiver. Throughout the Old Testament, an unblemished, sacrificial lamb was offered as a means of atonement for sin, was placed on an altar and the blood brought God's forgiveness. That could occur only because it was a forerunner to Jesus taking on a human body of flesh and blood to offer Himself as a human sacrifice. This gave humanity the joy of receiving the gift of eternal life paid for by the blood of Jesus.

# **A RANSOM**

Tuesday...... Read Mark 10:40-45

"For even the Son of man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give his life a ransom for many." The Pharisees and Sadducees, the religious elites of the day aimed to befriend Jesus after seeing His miraculous works. They felt He would fit in well with their crowd and they wanted to please Him in any way they could. Jesus rejected their offer to make Him King eventually. Jesus, however, explained this was not His reason for coming to earth. He had come to be the Savior! That could come only by His offering His blood as the ultimate sacrifice for the sins of humanity. He did that on the cross at Calvary. Now, all sinners who confess their sin and receive Him as Savior have God's gift of eternal life.

#### WITNESSES

### Wednesday ...... Read Acts 1:8-11

"But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth." The greatest calling in life is to be a witness for Jesus. That privilege given to His followers then and to us through this verse in the Bible is the greatest opportunity for anyone. Imagine being called to be a witness for the Son of God, the Savior of the world, and the coming King of kings! There is no greater offer, no greater opportunity, and no greater joy. Let us join in that great calling mentioned by our Lord in Luke 19:10: "For the Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost."

#### **BELIEVERS' POWER**

### Thursday ...... Read I Corinthians 4:13-20

"For the kingdom of God is not in word, but in power." We are told here that believers have Divine supernatural power. It is the power of the Holy Spirit! That is unlimited power to do what God wants us to do, not necessarily what we want. Believers have no excuse to left undone something God wants to do through them. The only question is whether or not we are totally yielded to the Holy Spirit. We are told this in I Thessalonians 5:19: "Quench not the Spirit." A key to heeding this instruction is to do as we are instructed in the command in I Thessalonians 5:17-18: "Pray without ceasing. In every thing give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you."

#### **GOD'S ENEMIES**

# Friday ......Read Psalm 37:18-21

"But the wicked shall perish, and the enemies of the Lord shall be as the fat of lambs: they shall consume; into smoke shall they consume away." The worst thing for any human being is to be an enemy of God, opposing His work! Jesus made a very important point recorded in Matthew 12:30: "*He that is not with me is against me; and he that gathereth not with me scattereth abroad."* He made it clear that not doing what He commands is to be working against Him. Spiritually speaking, if a person is not doing the will of God, he or she is working with the devil against God. There is no neutral ground. In the spiritual world, Christians have God as their Father in heaven. Unbelievers are children of the devil as Jesus pointed out in John 8:44: "*Ye are of your father the devil, and the lusts of your father ye will do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and abode not in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaketh a lie, he speaketh of his own: for he is a liar, and the father of it."* 

# **GOD'S JUDGMENT**

# Saturday..... Read Hebrews 9:27-28

"But it is appointed unto man once to die, but after this the judgment." Physical death is not the end, it is an entrance into eternity. There is a judgment to follow. The Bible speaks of two judgments: for unbelievers, it is the Great White Throne Judgment as recorded in Revelation 20:11: "And I saw a great white throne, and him that sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away; and there was found no place for them." Believers appear at the Judgment Seat of Christ to receive rewards. We read of it in II Corinthians 5:10: "For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ; that everyone may receive the things done in his body, according to that he hath done, whether it be good or bad."