

DAILY BIBLE READINGS - Week of September 21, 2025

"Bible Trilogies: "Key"

KEY OF DAVID

Sunday Read Revelation 3:7-15

"And to the angel of the church in Philadelphia write; These things saith he that is holy, he that is true, he that hath the key of David, he that openeth, and no man shutteth; and shutteth, and no man openeth." By making reference to King David, that faithful King of Israel, that it is the key to God's eternal Kingdom. The greatest identification for any human being is to be a citizen of that eternal Kingdom. We read of that citizenship in Philippians 3:20 in the NIV Bible: *"But our citizenship is in heaven. And we eagerly await a Savior from there, the Lord Jesus Christ."* That citizenship is acquired by a personal decision to receive Christ as referenced in Revelation 3:20: *"Behold, I stand at the door, and knock: if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me. That is the "good news."* That Jesus holds that key is implied in Luke 1:32: *"He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Highest: and the Lord God shall give unto him the throne of his father David."*

KINGDOM OF HEAVEN

Monday Read Matthew 16:16-19

"And I will give unto thee the keys of the kingdom of heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt bind on earth shall be bound in heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven." In this discussion with His apostles, Jesus mentioned that He would build His church. This statement introduced a new age for God's earth. When Jesus returned to heaven after His death and resurrection, that opened the door for the Holy Spirit to come to planet earth. He would empower believers to be the witnesses for Jesus. Their message was the key to the Kingdom of heaven. By introducing people to Jesus they were prodding listeners to get on the road to heaven, as Jesus mentioned in John 14:6: *"Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me."* The gospel of Jesus is the Key to the kingdom of Heaven!

KNOWLEDGE

Tuesday Read Luke 11:52-54

"Woe unto you, lawyers! for ye have taken away the key of knowledge: ye entered not in yourselves, and them that were entering in ye hindered." Jesus told the Pharisees that they were missing the key to knowledge about heaven. They were teaching that good works and following manmade religious doctrine was the way to heaven. Putting faith in manmade doctrine rather than Biblical truth is not the way to heaven. The key that opens the door to heaven is the gospel of Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world. John 1:29: *"The next day John seeth Jesus coming unto him, and saith, Behold*

the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world." Knowledge without that message is incomplete.

WISDOM

Wednesday Read Colossians 3:14-16

"Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom; teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord." By having the key to knowledge by faith in Jesus as Savior, a person has the key to wisdom. Wisdom is the proper application of the truth of the Word of God to our lives. A knowledge of God's Word is wonderful, but the application of God's Word is true wisdom. We read this in James 1:5: *"If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God, that giveth to all men liberally, and upbraideth not; and it shall be given him."* We have this promise of God in Psalm 32:8: *"I will instruct thee and teach thee in the way which thou shalt go: I will guide thee with mine eye."* True wisdom is being guided by the Holy Spirit.

FALSEHOOD

Thursday Read II Peter 2:1-7

"But there were false prophets also among the people, even as there shall be false teachers among you, who privily shall bring in damnable heresies, even denying the Lord that bought them, and bring upon themselves swift destruction." God gives stern warning about false teachers. Any teaching that is not consistent with Biblical truth is heresy. We have seen that happen a great deal since the Supreme Court in 1963 ruled that Bible reading to start a day in public schools was unconstitutional. That opened the door to false teaching. Darwin's theory of evolution rather than the Biblical teaching of creation became common. That is false teaching. Another falsehood in the 1990's is the idea of transgender, when the clear teaching of the Bible is that God creates a baby in the mother's womb to be male or female. That false teaching on transgenderism led to a terrible tragedy this week.

BOTTOMLESS PIT

Friday Read Revelation 9:1-5

"And the fifth angel sounded, and I saw a star fall from heaven unto the earth: and to him was given the key of the bottomless pit." This speaks of hell, the eternal abiding place of the devil and all those people who have rejected God's truth in the Bible. We know that God wants people in heaven as emphasized in John 3:16: *"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."* To accept Jesus is to receive God's gift of eternal life paid for by the blood of Jesus. Not to receive that gift of salvation means to go to the lake of fire as mentioned in Revelation 20:15: *"And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire."* What an incentive that is to share the truth.

SATAN

Saturday Read Isaiah 14:12-15

"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!" Satan, God's enemy was actually an angel in heaven. He is the Lucifer who resided in heaven. He was expelled from heaven when he tried to take a position of power equal to God. As a rebel against God, he then became a ruler of darkness as mentioned in Ephesians 6:12: *"For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places."* Rejecting Jesus is to become a child of the devil as Jesus stated 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."* The Satan in Eden is the Satan in today's world.