

DAILY BIBLE READINGS - Week of September 7, 2025

"Bible Trilogies: "I AM"

GOD'S PRESENCE

Sunday Read Matthew 28:16-20

" Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world." The most important and beneficial thing in life is to know the commandments of God. To know them and to put them into practice gives the individual a sense of God's presence. When a person places his or her faith in Jesus as Savior, they have the Holy Spirit in them. With the presence of God the Holy Spirit present, believers have the ability to do the will of God. He provides the wisdom to overcome all obstacles! Think of the truth of Jeremiah 32:17: *"Ah Lord God! behold, thou hast made the heaven and the earth by thy great power and stretched out arm, and there is nothing too hard for thee."*

THE LIGHT

Monday Read John 8:7-12

" Then spake Jesus again unto them, saying, I am the light of the world: he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life." We live in a world that lives in spiritual darkness. This has become increasingly apparent since the Supreme Court decided in 1963 that opening the day in prayer in public schools was an unconstitutional practice. That prevented all students in public schools from having the light of God's truth to counteract the darkness of the world. We are advised in Ephesians 6:12 about the perpetrators of spiritual darkness. It reads this way: *"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."* God wants His people to be the light to overcome this darkness!

THE GOOD SHEPHERD

Tuesday Read John 10:11-15

" I am the good shepherd: the good shepherd giveth his life for the sheep." In His teaching in this passage from the gospel of John, Jesus uses the analogy of sheep and their shepherd. Without the watchful care of a shepherd, sheep go astray. That is the truth God emphasized in Isaiah 53:6: *"All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way; and the Lord hath laid on him the iniquity of us all."* Without Jesus as Lord of our lives, people stray from God's truth and God's blessing on their lives. They are then prey to the power of Satan, the ruler of the world's darkness. Jesus made reference to that in a discussion with religious leaders who rejected Him 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."
How much better to follow the good Shepherd!

THE VINE

Wednesday Read John 15:1-5

"I am the vine, ye are the branches: He that abideth in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit: for without me ye can do nothing." In this analogy, Jesus uses the vine and branches to explain fruit bearing. Spiritual fruit in the lives of Christians is detailed in Galatians 5:22-23: *"But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance: against such there is no law."* To enjoy those attributes, believers must yield to the Holy Spirit. Reading Scriptures and attending church helps greatly in that pursuit! Bearing fruit is also a way of winning souls. Christians are told to reach out to unbelievers in an attempt to win them to Christ. That may come with a direct witness by sharing the gospel, or by inviting them to church or an evangelistic service.

THE DOOR

Thursday Read John 10:7-9

"I am the door: by me if any man enter in, he shall be saved, and shall go in and out, and find pasture." The door to eternal life and a home in heaven is Jesus! There is no other way for a person to go to heaven. In John 14:6, Jesus made that very clear with these words: *"Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me."* The decision to receive Jesus as personal Savior is the only way to go through the door to heaven!

THE RESURRECTION

Friday Read John 11:23-25

"Jesus said unto her, I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live." The most amazing thing for any person is to be resurrected, to rise up from the dead and live again. Jesus made that possible by dying on the cross and then walking out of the tomb. He came to earth to do just that. He is the only One to give victory over death. All other religions have founders who died and are still dead. True Christians worship a living Savior, He is coming again to give His followers an eternal home in heaven.

THE WAY

Saturday Read John 14:1-6

"Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me." Jesus emphasized the fact that He is the only way to heaven. This is an important truth because of the many religions that teach differently. No man comes to the Father in heaven unless they have trusted Jesus to be their Savior. He and He alone paid the penalty of sin to provide forgiveness from a Holy God. The truth of I John 1:9 is vital: *"If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness."*