

CHARACTER SERIES

Character is the essence of a person. He is defined by it.

A person is only as good as his character.

Do you have character? Do you know what it is? All of us have some, whether good or bad. This study examines Bible characters, looking at *their* character.

Will you commit to changing those weaknesses in your character that the Lord points out to you along this fascinating journey? Let's look at God's Word!

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Character Series

Attentiveness

Hebrews 2:1

Therefore we ought to give the more earnest heed to the things which we have heard, lest at any time we should let *them* slip.

THE THINGS I WANT TO ACCOMPLISH THIS WEEK!!!

I COR. 10:31

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Hebrews 2:1

Read – Genesis 37:1-4, 12-17

Attentiveness to his Father

Examine –

1. Where was Jacob's family living?
2. How old was Joseph when this story happens?
3. What was he doing?
4. With whom was he working?
5. What did Joseph tell his father about them?
6. What was Jacob's other name?
7. Why did he love Joseph more?
8. What did he make him?
9. What was the reaction of his brothers to this coat and love?
10. In verse 12, what did Joseph's dad want him to do?
11. What did his father want to know?
12. Were his brothers in Shechem?
13. Did Joseph give up?
14. Where did he find them?

Apply-

Joseph is consistently attentive to his father and immediately obeys. Would your parents say that you are? Would God (since He knows things that they don't)?

Do you go the extra mile to ensure that your parents' wishes are accomplished?

Give an example.

Prayer

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Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Hebrews 2:1

Read – Genesis 37:5-11

Attentiveness to his God

Examine –

1. What caused Joseph to be hated more by his brothers?
2. What was the dream about?
3. What did their sheaves do to his?
4. What did the brothers think the dream meant?
5. What three things were in the second dream?
6. What did all these things do to Joseph?
7. What was his father's reaction?
8. What did his father think the dream meant?
9. The Bible says that his brothers _____ him.
10. What did his father do with the dream in his mind?

BONUS: Give the passage where these dreams will come true!

Apply-

What was God doing in revealing these dreams to Joseph?

Do you think God has a plan for your future?

Are you living right now so God can use you in the future?

What could you change?

Are you attentive to the still small voice of the Holy Spirit?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Hebrews 2:1

Read – Genesis 39:1-12

Attentiveness to his Master

Examine –

1. Where was Joseph taken to open this story?
2. Who bought him?
3. Who was he?
4. Who was with Joseph?
5. As Joseph worked what happened?
6. What did the master do with Joseph?
7. What happened as a result of Joseph's promotion?
8. Of what was Joseph in charge?
9. How does verse 6 describe Joseph?
10. What temptation did Joseph face next?
11. What was his response?
12. What was Joseph concerned about? (2 things)
13. How often did this temptation come up?
14. What happened one day when Joseph was alone?
15. What did he do?

Apply-

Do you sin when no one is looking?

Are you concerned about your character to the point that you would deny your flesh?

What tasks assigned to you have you been responsible to fulfill?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Hebrews 2:1

Read – Genesis 39:13-23

Attentiveness to his Jailer

Examine –

1. What did the wife do to Joseph?
2. Who did she tell?
3. When the master heard the story what was his reaction?
4. What did he do with Joseph?
5. Who was with Joseph in jail?
6. With whom did Joseph receive favor?
7. Of what was Joseph in charge?
8. What did the keeper of the prison worry about?
9. What did God cause to happen?
10. Compare verse 6 and 23 of this chapter. How are they the same?

Apply-

Joseph was lied about but God had not forgotten him. Have you ever felt like God has forgotten you?

What is your attitude when something unfair happens to you?

Are you attentive to those around you even when you are in unfavorable circumstances?
Give an example of how this could be done in your life.

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Hebrews 2:1

Read – Genesis 40:1-8

Attentiveness to others

Examine –

1. Who was thrown in jail with Joseph?
2. Why were they there?
3. Who was in charge of them?
4. How long were they there?
5. What happened to both of them in one night?
6. What was their countenance the next morning?
7. How did Joseph find out about the dream?
8. What did they not have in connection with their dreams?
9. Who did Joseph say could interrupt their dreams?
10. What did Joseph want them to do?
11. How was Joseph attentive in this situation?

Apply-

Do you notice when someone is sad around you?

Are you concerned about their needs?

What could you do today to be attentive to the needs of those around you?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Hebrews 2:1

Read – Genesis 40:9-23

Attentiveness to others

Examine –

1. Who told his dream first?
2. What was in his dream?
3. What did the vine bring forth?
4. What did he do with the grapes?
5. What did the three branches represent?
6. What would happen to him in three days?
7. What was Joseph's one request when the butler got out of prison?
8. What did the baker have on his head?
9. What was in the top basket?
10. What happened to the bread?
11. What did the three baskets represent?
12. What would happen to him in three days?
13. What would the birds do?
14. Did this happen?
15. What was the occasion?
16. Did the butler remember Joseph?

Apply-

Joseph did not have the Bible to give answers but he had to be in tune with God to find out what would happen. Based on your relationship with God, would you have been able to help these men?

Can you give people Bible answers to their questions?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Hebrews 2:1

Read – Genesis 37:1-17; 39:1-23; 40:1-19

Examine –

1. On each day below put who Joseph was attentive to:
Day 1 –
Day 2 –
Day 3 –
Day 4 –
Day 5 –
Day 6 –
2. How was he attentive to his father?
3. What two things did Joseph dream and what did they mean?
4. What was the family's reaction to these?
5. How was Joseph attentive to his master?
6. How did Joseph respond to temptation?
7. To whom did Joseph believe he was ultimately accountable?
8. Who lied about Joseph?
9. Where did he end up?
10. What did he do there?
11. What did the butler and baker have happen to them?
12. Who could interrupt their dream?
13. How many days was it until the fulfillment of the dream?
14. Who was killed?
15. Who was restored?
16. Did he remember Joseph?

Apply-

How are you attentive to others, God, your boss, your parents?

Will you ask God to show you where you need change? Will you purpose to change?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Character Series

Availability

Philippians 2:21

“For all seek their own, not the things which are Jesus Christ’s.”

THE THINGS I WANT TO ACCOMPLISH THIS WEEK!!!

I COR. 10:31

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Philippians 2:21

Read – II Kings 5:1-7

The little maid was Available!

Examine –

1. Who is this story about?
2. What was his position?
3. What did his Master think of him?
4. What was his problem?
5. What had the Syrians brought into captivity?
6. What was her job?
7. Who did she think could heal her master?
8. Who did the people tell?
9. What did they take with them to Israel?
10. To whom did they bring the letter?
11. What was the king in Israel's reaction?
12. What did he think the real purpose was for this letter?

Apply-

What amazing faith this little girl had. Do you have this kind of faith?

What would have your attitude been toward those who had taken you from your family and country?

How did she demonstrate availability?

Prayer

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Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Philippians 2:21

Read – II Kings 5:8-19

Elisha was Available!

Examine –

1. Who heard about the incident?
2. What did he want the king to do?
3. What does he say was in Israel?
4. Who came with Naaman?
5. Where did they stand?
6. Did the prophet talk with him?
7. What did he tell him to do?
8. What was Naaman's reaction to the solution?
9. What did he think would happen?
10. What were better rivers and where were they located?
11. Who convinced him to go wash and how did he do it?
12. Did the dipping work?
13. What was Naaman's conclusion when he arrived back at Elisha's house?
14. What did Naaman want to give to Elisha?
15. Did Elisha accept it?

Apply-

To whom was Elisha available?

How was he available?

How was Naaman available?

Do you obey God no matter how ridiculous it sounds?

Prayer

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Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Philippians 2:21

Read – II Kings 5:20-27

Gehazi was not Available!

Examine –

1. Who was Gehazi?
2. What did he decide to do?
3. How did he get to Naaman?
4. How did Gehazi get the stuff?
5. Who did he say was come?
6. What did Naaman double from the servant's request?
7. Who carried the stuff back for Gehazi?
8. Where did he hide the stuff?
9. What did Elisha want to know from Gehazi?
10. What was his answer?
11. What did Elisha already know?
12. What was Gehazi's punishment?
13. When would the punishment take affect?

BONUS: Give some information on Leprosy!

Apply-

Gehazi was concerned only about himself. What was he after?

What did he have to do to get it?

Sin always has its punishment but sometimes it's not quick. Is punishment coming for you?

How was Gehazi not available?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today:_____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Philippians 2:21

Read – Isaiah 6:1-8

Isaiah was Available!

Examine –

1. What major event had just happened to Isaiah?
2. What did he see?
3. Where was He sitting?
4. What filled the temple?
5. What stood above it?
6. What did each one have?
7. What did they do with each set?
8. What were they crying?
9. Of what is the whole earth full?
10. What moved as they talked?
11. What filled the temple?
12. What did Isaiah say when he saw this?
13. What was he and where did he dwell?
14. What brought him to this decision?
15. What was laid upon his mouth?
16. What did this do for him?
17. What did he hear?
18. How did he respond?

Apply-

What had to happen to Isaiah before he could hear God?

What is your response to the call of God?

How are you available to do what God wants?

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Main thought to meditate on today:_____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Philippians 2:21

Read – Acts 8:26-33

Philip was Available!

Examine –

1. Who was giving Philip his orders?
2. Where does He tell Philip to go?
3. What was the country like?
4. Who did he meet there?
5. Under whom did this man serve?
6. Of what was he in charge?
7. Why had he come to Jerusalem?
8. What was he reading?
9. How did Philip know to catch him?
10. How did he catch him?
11. What did he ask him?
12. What did the eunuch invite Philip to do?
13. From what passage was he reading?

Apply-

Philip was leading a great revival before God asked him to go to one man. Philip went with an earnest spirit (running to the chariot). Are you available for the one who needs you?

How can you be more available to others around you?

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Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Philippians 2:21

Read – Acts 8:34-40

Philip was Available!

Examine –

1. What did the man want to know?
2. Where did Philip start and what did he preach?
3. What did they come across?
4. What did the eunuch want to know?
5. What was before baptism?
6. What did he confess with his mouth?
7. Where did they go?
8. What happened to Philip after the baptism?
9. What was the eunuch's response as he went on his way?
10. Where was Philip?
11. What did he do there and other places?

Apply-

What happened to the Eunuch?

What was Philip doing no matter where he was?

What are you doing daily?

How are you looking for ways to meet people's needs?

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Praise

Main thought to meditate on today:_____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Philippians 2:21

Read – Selected Scripture

Examine –

1. Who was Naaman?
2. What was his problem?
3. Who thought they had an answer to his problem?
4. What was the King of Israel's reaction to the letter?
5. Who helped "bail" out the king?
6. What did he ask Naaman to do?
7. Did it work?
8. What was Elisha's servant's name?
9. What happened to him?
10. How did Isaiah demonstrate Availability?
11. What was his response when he saw the Lord?
12. What character do we see next?
13. Who did he go to meet?
14. Where was this man reading?
15. What did he want to know?
16. What happened to the Eunuch?
17. Where did Philip end up?

Apply-

List some ways that you could be available to God.

List some ways that you could be available to meet the needs of others.

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Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Character Series

Boldness

II Timothy 1:7

For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind.

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Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – II Timothy 1:7

Read – Daniel 1: 1-10

Boldness in difficulty

Examine –

1. Who was reigning in Judah at the opening of this story?
2. Who attacks Jerusalem?
3. What did he carry to Shinar?
4. Where did he put these items?
5. Who was master of the Eunuchs?
6. What was the qualification for the children who were to be brought?
7. What were they to learn?
8. What did the king appoint to them?
9. How long was it going to be before they went before the king?
10. Who was among these people?
11. What were their new names?
12. What did Daniel do in his heart?
13. What did he do as a result of this determination?
14. What was Ashpenaz's concern?

Apply-

Daniel was determined to do right no matter what. He was not going to violate God's law.
How have you shown this kind of boldness?

Do you do right in all situations or just when it's convenient or easy?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – II Timothy 1:7

Read – Daniel 1:11-21

Boldness in challenge

Examine –

1. Who was directly over the four Hebrew children?
2. What did Daniel ask him to do and for how long?
3. What would they compare at the end of ten days?
4. Did the man agree?
5. What was the result at the end of 10 days?
6. What was the long-term affect?
7. What did God give to them?
8. What did Daniel have that the others apparently did not have?
9. Who shined above all others when the three years were up?
10. How much better were they than the others?
11. How long was Daniel in this position?

Apply-

God's ways are always best! Daniel knew it would be better because it was God's law. When we do what's right we can have confidence. Do you have a righteous boldness?

Can you say and do what's right in the face of peer pressure?

Give an example:

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Main thought to meditate on today:_____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – II Timothy 1:7

Read – Daniel 3:1-12

Boldness in loyalty

Examine –

1. What did Nebuchadnezzar make?
2. Where was it located?
BONUS: What is a cubit and what would be the dimensions of the idol in feet?
3. Who came to its dedication?
4. Where did they gather?
5. To whom did the herald cry?
6. What instruments were used in the ceremony?
7. When they heard the music, what were they to do?
8. If you did not fall down what would happen to you?
9. Who accused the Jews?
10. What was the common greeting when you approached the king?
11. What three men had not obeyed the commandment?

Apply-

Someone has said that you don't stand out so much until all others are bowing. Are you loyal to God when no one else is?

Do you give in to peer pressure?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – II Timothy 1:7

Read – Daniel 3:13-18

Boldness in speech

Examine –

1. What two words describe the King?
2. Who did he want to see?
3. What did the King want to know?
4. If they worshipped this time what would happen?
5. If not they would be out where?
6. What did the King say at the end of verse 15 that could have been a challenge to God?

7. Did the men have an attitude when they answered the king?
8. What did they say about God's ability?
9. Ultimately he would deliver them from whom?
10. If God chooses not to do this what would be their response?

Apply-

How would you react when faced with death?

The truth is you don't know how you would respond. However, if you can't stand now you won't later. Do you believe you could face real persecution?

Will you pray that God would give you boldness now and that He will give boldness to those who need it today?

(If you pray this you must be willing to do your part)

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today:_____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – II Timothy 1:7

Read – Daniel 3:19-30

Boldness in actions

Examine –

1. Of what was the King full?
2. What was changed?
3. How hot was the furnace to be heated now?
4. Who was to bind the men?
5. What did they have on when they went into the fire?
6. What happened to the men that cast them in the flame?
7. What happened to the King next?
8. What did the King see in the fire?
9. Were the men hurt?
10. What was the form of the one?
11. What kind of servants did the King call them?
12. What did he command them to do?
13. What evidence of the fire was on them?
14. Who did the King recognize as their deliverer?
15. What was the decree from the King?
16. What happened to the three men?

Apply-

God didn't deliver them from the fire but in the fire. You may go through tough times, but God will be with you and you must have the boldness that these men had. Who received the glory when the men did right?

How will you give God glory through your difficulty?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – II Timothy 1:7

Read – Daniel 5:10-24

Boldness in confrontation

Examine –

It may be helpful for you to read the whole chapter to get the context of what is happening!

1. Who thought of Daniel being able to interpret the writing on the wall?
2. What kind of spirit did Daniel have?
3. Who could not tell the meaning of the writing?
4. What did he offer Daniel if he got it right?
5. Did Daniel want the gifts?
6. With what story does Daniel start?
7. What caused Nebuchadnezzar to lose his throne?
8. What happened to him during this time?
9. What had Belshazzar not done?
10. What had they done with the vessels of God?
11. What had they praised?
12. What three things are true about these gods?
13. What does God hold in his hands?
14. What had Belshazzar not done?

Apply-

These were all reasons why God had sent the hand. Daniel preaches to the King before he gets to the interpretation. Daniel does not back off one bit as he stands before the King.

What boldness and courage! Can you speak the truth in love no matter what the circumstances?

What would be the hardest time you could think of for you to speak this way?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – II Timothy 1:7

Read – Daniel 1:1-21; 3:1-30; 5:10-24

Examine –

Fill in the chart below: (entire chart may not be filled up)

Who was bold!	To whom were they bold!	How were they bold!	What were the results!	How would you have reacted!

Apply-

Pick one Bible story and fill it in the above chart. Then pick one story that you know about that is not Bible and fill in the chart!

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Character Series

Cautiousness

Proverbs 14:15

“The simple believeth every word:
but the prudent *man* looketh well to his going.”

THE THINGS I WANT TO ACCOMPLISH THIS WEEK!!!

I COR. 10:31

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Proverbs 14:15

Read – Joshua 9:3-14

Joshua failed to be Cautious with the Gibeonites

Examine –

1. What city are we talking about?
2. What had they heard?
3. What did they make themselves to be?
4. What did they do to make this look real?
5. Where was Joshua camped?
6. From where did they say they had come?
7. What did they want Joshua to do with them?
8. What was another name for these people?
9. What did they say they would be to the people of Israel?
10. Why did they say that they had come?
11. Of what had they heard?
12. What did they say their bread was when they left?
13. Now what was it?
14. How were the bottles of wine before?
15. How were there shoes and why?
16. What critical mistake did Joshua and his people make with this league?

Apply-

Do you seek God for all your decisions?

When is the last time you ask Him for help on “little” things?

My wife and I don't make major decisions without 72 hours of prayer. We also have a chain of counsel we have set up to help us. What can you do to set up a system that will help you in decisions?

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Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Proverbs 14:15

Read – Joshua 9:15-27

Joshua failed to be Cautious with the Gibeonites

Examine –

1. What did the princes of Israel do for these people?
2. How long was it before they realized that they had tricked them?
3. How many days did it take Israel to get to them?
4. What were the names of their cities?
5. What were the people's reactions against the princes?
6. What were the leader's responses to the people?
7. What were the leaders concerned about?
8. What 2 things would the people be to Israel?
9. Joshua said that they were _____.
10. What had the people heard about God's promises?

Apply-

Can you think of a chain of counsel that you could set up for yourself?

Write it here for future reference.

Note: Make sure you have godly, older people (older than you) on this list. Not your peers!

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Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Proverbs 14:15

Read – Judges 11:1-20

Jephthah failed to be Cautious with a vow

Examine –

1. Who is this story about?
2. What was his mother?
3. Who was his father?
4. What did his brothers do to him?
5. Where did he go?
6. Bonus: Where is this located and who lives there?
7. What kind of people did he gather to himself?
8. Who was making war with Israel?
9. Who wanted Jephthah to be their captain?
10. What did he want if he defeated their enemies?
11. Where did Jephthah talk to God?
12. Why did the king of Ammon say he was fighting Israel?
13. Did Israel want to fight them when they came out of Egypt?
14. Who initiated the conflict?

Apply-

We are going to get to how he was not cautious tomorrow. Why do you think the people wanted him to lead them?

Would you have led them?

How do you treat people who have no control over how or where they were born?

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Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Proverbs 14:15

Read – Judges 11:21-40

Jephthah failed to be Cautious with a vow

Examine –

1. Did the people let Israel pass through their coast?
2. Who helped Israel win the battle?
3. Should they be allowed to possess the land?
4. What should they possess?
5. Who will Israel possess?
6. What example does he use about when they should have recovered the land?
7. What was Jephthah's conclusion?
8. Did the king listen to him?
9. What was Jephthah's vow?
10. Did God deliver them into his hands?
11. How many cities were included in this slaughter?
12. Who came out to him first?
13. What was unique about her?
14. What was his response to her?
15. What was his daughter's response?
16. What did she want to do for two months?
17. What did the daughters of Israel do yearly?

Bonus: What did he do to complete his vow?

Apply-

What could he have done to keep this from happening?

Can you think of vows that you or others have made that were ridiculous?

What should you think about before you vow?

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Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Proverbs 14:15

Read – Judges 16: 4-14

Samson failed to be Cautious with a woman.

Examine –

1. Who is this story about?
2. What was the woman's name?
3. Where did she live?
4. What did the leadership of the Philistines want her to do?
5. What would they give her?
6. What was the first thing he told her?
7. Who was in the chamber with her?
8. Did this work?
9. What was the second way he told her?
10. Did this work?
11. She has said that he _____ her and told her _____.
12. What was the third thing he told her?
13. Did this work?
14. How did he go away?

Apply-

Three times she tried to kill him and he keeps coming back. This is the utmost lack of caution.
What was his first mistake?

Do people know your weaknesses and try to get you to sin that way?

What are some of your weaknesses?

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Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Proverbs 14:15

Read – Judges 16:15-31

Samson failed to be Cautious with a woman.

Examine –

1. What does she say that Samson had been telling her?
2. How often did she press him?
3. How was his soul?
4. What had not come to his head?
5. What vow was he living with from his birth?
6. What would he be like if his head were shaved?
7. What did the Philistines bring with them when they came?
8. Who did she call and what did he do?
9. How many locks of hair did he have?
10. What did Samson not know?
11. What did the Philistines do to him?
12. What begin to grow again?
13. Who were the Philistines serving?
14. Why were they praising him?
15. Where did they put Samson?
16. Who was in attendance?
17. There were at least how many people there?
18. To whom did Samson pray?
19. Why did he want to be avenged?
20. How did he make the house fall?

Apply-

What did Samson's lack of caution get him?

Why do you think God allowed him to defeat the Philistines?

What trouble has lack of caution gotten you in the past?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Proverbs 14:15

Read – Selected Passages

Examine – Fill in the box below with the following information: Who was not cautious, what was the result, who was affected, and how could it been different. On the last row put a situation that you have experienced.

Who?	Result?	Affect?	Different?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Character Series

Compassion

I John 3:16-18

Hereby perceive we the love of God, because he laid down his life for us:
and we ought to lay down our lives for the brethren.

But whoso hath this world's good, and seeth his brother have need,
and shutteth up his bowels of compassion from him,
how dwelleth the love of God in him?

My little children let us not love in word, neither in tongue;
but in deed and in truth.

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I COR. 10:31

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – I John 3:16-18

Read – Genesis 18:16-33

Abraham was Compassionate for others.

Examine –

1. What did God know about Abraham?
2. How does God describe their sin?
3. What did Abraham want to know from God?
4. With what number does Abraham start?
5. What does Abraham call God at the end of verse 25?
6. How did Abraham look at himself?
7. What number was next?
8. To what number does he jump after forty?
9. Why does he keep saying for God to not be against him?
10. What is the final figure that Abraham concludes?
11. Where did each go after their talk?

Apply-

Would you have pleaded for the city of Sodom and Gomorrah?

Do you plead for Kings Mountain or America?

Do you delight in seeing people judged?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – I John 3:16-18

Read – Exodus 2:1-10

Pharaoh's daughter had Compassion for Moses.

Examine –

1. From what tribe was this family?
2. What did the woman do with her newborn son?
3. Of what was her ark made?
4. How was it daubed?
5. Where did she put it?
Bonus – What does flags mean in this passage?
6. Who came to the river?
7. What was she doing there?
8. Who was with her?
9. What was the baby doing when she found it?
10. What did she have for the baby?
11. Did she recognize where it was from?
12. What did Moses' sister suggest to the lady?
13. Who did she call?
14. What did she receive for nursing the child?
15. Why did she call him Moses?

Apply-

What should have happened to Moses?

Have you ever had compassion on someone you did not know?

What did you do for them?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – I John 3:16-18

Read – Matthew 18: 23-27

The king showed Compassion for his servant.

Examine –

1. What is the kingdom of heaven like?
2. What did this king do?
3. How much did one servant owe him?
4. Could he pay his debt?
5. Who was to be sold to make the payment?
6. What was the servant's reaction to this?
7. What did the servant want from the lord?
8. What was the reaction of the king?
9. What did he do for the servant? (2 things)

Apply-

Have you ever forgiven someone a large debt?

Have you been forgiven much?

Could you pay the debt you have to God?

Have you expressed worship and gratitude for this lately!

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – I John 3:16-18

Read – Matthew 18: 28-35

The servant did not show Compassion for his fellow servant.

Examine –

1. Who is this story about?
2. What did this guy find?
3. What did the other fellow owe?
4. How did he grab him?
5. What did the man want from the forgiven servant?
6. Did he give it to him?
7. What did he do with him?
8. Who heard about this story?
9. What did the king call the man when he was before him?
10. Why should he have compassion on his fellow servant?
11. To whom was he delivered?
12. For how long?
13. Write in your own words the point that Jesus was trying to make.

Apply-

When have you ever judged someone harshly for a sin you know you have in your life?

Do you readily forgive others?

Find another verse in the Bible that talks about forgiveness and write it here!

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – I John 3:16-18

Read – Luke 10: 30-37

The Samaritan showed Compassion for the man.

Examine –

1. Which way was this man travelling?
2. Who attacked him?
3. In what kind of position did he leave him?
4. What two men saw him but did not stop to help?
5. Who did stop and help him?
6. What did he do for his wounds?
7. How did he do this?
8. Where did he bring him?
9. How did he get him there?
10. Who paid for the care of the man?
11. How long would he pay this?
12. Which of the three acted like a neighbor?
13. What was Jesus commanding concerning this story?

Apply-

Sometimes compassion cost you something. In this case it was time and money. Sometimes it costs nothing. How has someone showed compassion on you?

Before this study on compassion which one of these people would you probably have been the most like?

How can you continue or correct this in the future (in an everyday situation)?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – I John 3:16-18

Read – I John 3: 16-19

Examine –

1. How do we perceive the love of God?
2. What should we be doing?
3. What does this “world’s goods” mean?
4. Who does he see that has a need?
5. How does he react to the need?
6. What should we question when we see this?
7. How should we not love?
8. How should we love?
9. How can we know that we are of the truth?
10. What will we do if we provide these things?

Apply-

Are you a talker or a doer?

On the scale rate yourself: Talker 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 Doer

List some things you can do to show compassion:

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – I John 3:16-18

Read – Selected Passages

Examine –

Look up the following passages and give how and to whom Jesus showed compassion!

Psalms 78:38	
Matthew 14:14	
Matthew 15:32	
Matthew 20:34	
Mark 1:41	
Mark 6:34	
Luke 7:13	

Apply-

How are you showing compassion this week? Be specific! Are you doing yesterday's list?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today:

Character Series

Creativity

Romans 12:2

And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.

THE THINGS I WANT TO ACCOMPLISH THIS WEEK!!!

I COR. 10:31

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Romans 12:2

Read – Genesis 1:1-8

Examine –

1. Who did the creating?
2. What did He create?
3. What was the earth like?
4. What was on the face of the deep?

Bonus – List the various beliefs about this section and what are your conclusions!

5. What was moving on the face of the waters?
6. What did God create next?
7. How did he do it?
8. What did he say about the light?
9. What did he divide?
10. What was the light called?
11. What was the night called?
12. What was in the midst of the waters?
13. What did He divide in verse 7?
14. What was the firmament called?
15. What day has just ended?

Apply-

Note: The apply questions will basically be the same this week but your answers should be different!

What does this tell us about God?

How does it change your concept of Him?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Romans 12:2

Read – Genesis 1:9-23

Examine –

1. What was to be gathered into one place?
2. What was to appear?
3. What was the dry land called?
4. What were the waters called?
5. What three things does He now create?
6. What kind of seed did these trees have?
7. What kind of seed did all the plants produce?
8. What did God say about this stuff?
9. What were the lights to divide?
10. What were these lights to tell?
11. What light ruled the day?
12. What light ruled the night?
13. What other lights did He make?
14. On what day did this happen?
15. What two groups of creatures did God create next?
16. How did they produce?
17. Was this a command from God?

Apply-

Note: The apply questions will basically be the same this week!

What does this tell us about God?

How does it change your concept of Him?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Romans 12:2

Read – Genesis 1:24-31

Examine –

1. What names does God give the next group of created things? (3 things)
2. How did they produce?
3. On the same day that God created these animals, what else did He create?
4. In what image was he created?
5. What was he to be over?
6. What two kinds did He create?
7. What were they to do?
8. What was to be their meat?
9. What were the animals to eat?
10. What was God's assessment of His creation?
11. What day is it now?
12. Did man or animal have lack of anything?
13. Were they dependent on each other?

Apply-

Note: The apply questions will basically be the same this week, but your answers should be different!

What does this tell us about God?

How does it change your concept of Him?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Romans 12:2

Read – Genesis 2:1-7

Examine –

1. What was finished?
2. What did God do on the seventh day?
3. What was special about the seventh day?
Note: This is a recap of what has already been done
4. Were the plants growing?
5. What was not on the earth?
6. How did it get watered?
7. How did he make man?
8. What did he breathe into him?
9. What did man become?
10. Did God say this about anything else?

Apply-

Note: The apply questions will basically be the same this week, but your answers should be different!

What does this tell us about God?

How does it change your concept of Him?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Romans 12:2

Read – Genesis 2:8-17

Examine –

1. What did God plant?
2. Where was it located?
3. What did he put in the garden?
4. What kind of trees did God make to grow?
5. What two trees does he say the names of specifically?
6. What went out of Eden?
7. What was its purpose?
8. How many rivers did it become?
9. What was the name of the four rivers?
10. What was in the land of Havilah?
11. What else was there?
12. What countries are mentioned as part of this?
13. What was man's purpose in Eden?
14. What tree could man not eat?
15. How many other trees could they eat?
16. What would happen the day they eat of the tree?

Apply-

Note: The apply questions will basically be the same this week!

What does this tell us about God?

How does it change your concept of Him?

Only one restriction and yet it was not obeyed!

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Romans 12:2

Read – Genesis 2:18-25

Examine –

1. What was not good for man?
2. What would God make for him?
3. Who named the animals?
4. What three groups did he name?
5. What did he not find among the animals?
6. What did God cause to come over Adam?
7. What did God take from him?
8. What did God make with this rib?
9. Why was she called woman?
10. What will a man do?
11. What will they become?
12. Of what were they not ashamed?
13. Other than “woman” what else is she called in this passage?

Thought: If man is born a homosexual as some claim, then why did God not give Adam a choice of a man or a woman? I think this is a logical proof of this sin!

Apply-

Note: The apply questions will basically be the same this week!

What does this tell us about God?

How does it change your concept of Him?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Romans 12:2

Read – Genesis 1-2 - Review

Examine –

Please list what happened on each day and why this order was so important.

	What was created	Why this order
Day 1		
Day 2		
Day 3		
Day 4		
Day 5		
Day 6		
Day 7		

Apply-

How does this help you with your understanding about God?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today:_____

Character Series

Deference

Romans 14:13

Let us not therefore judge one another any more: but judge this rather, that no man put a stumblingblock or an occasion to fall in *his* brother's way.

THE THINGS I WANT TO ACCOMPLISH THIS WEEK!!!

I COR. 10:31

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Romans 14:13

Read – I Samuel 2:22-29

Eli's sons did not show Deference!

Examine –

1. What does the Bible say about Eli?
2. What wicked things were his sons doing?
3. What were his sons making the others do, according to verse 24?
4. If one sins against another, who judges him?
5. If some one sins against the Lord, who will help?
6. Did they listen to him?
7. What did God say he would do for them?
8. With whom was Samuel in favor?
9. Who came to Eli?
10. What did God choose the tribe to be?
11. What did this involve?
12. What did God give to them?
13. Who was Eli honoring more than God?
14. How were they making themselves fat?

Apply-

With what were Eli's sons consumed?

They were supposed to be serving the people. How do you serve others?

How do you take advantage of others?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today:_____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Romans 14:13

Read – I Samuel 2:30-36

Eli's sons did not show Deference!

Examine –

1. What had God said before to Eli?
2. Did God change his mind?
3. What does God do for those that honor him?
4. What does he do for those that despise him?
5. What will not be in the house of Eli some day?
6. What will they see in God's house?
7. If God doesn't cut them off, for what will they be used?
8. When will all the men die?
9. What was the sign to him?
10. What were his sons' two names?
11. What will God raise up?
12. What will he do?
13. For what will Eli's house come to the new priest?

Apply-

Sin always has consequences. We may not see them like we do in this story, but they are always there. What sin do you need to cleanse?

Will you take care of this today?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Romans 14:13

Read – I Samuel 12:1-5

Samuel showed deference to the people!

Examine –

1. Who was talking in this story?
2. What did he do for the people?
3. What was Samuel's age at this time?
4. With whom did he leave Israel?
5. How long had Samuel walked with the people?
6. How many questions does he ask them?
7. What was his purpose in this question?
8. What would he do if they could prove he had taken anything from them?
9. What three things had he not done to them?
10. Who did Samuel call to witness them?
11. Did the people accept this witness?

Apply-

Samuel had served the people with a pure heart and motive. He desired no benefit from his service. Do you serve others with no desire for reward or recognition?

Why do you do the projects you do?

Do you help people who cannot help back?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today:

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Romans 14:13

Read – I Samuel 12:20-25

Samuel showed deference to the people!

Examine –

Remember the context of the story. The people wanted a king and Samuel was granting their request but warning them what would happen.

1. What had the people done?
2. What should they do with all their heart?
3. What should they not do?
4. What would they go after?
5. What can these things not do?
6. What will the Lord not do?
7. Why will He not do that?
8. Why did he make them His people?
9. What will Samuel continue to do for the people?
10. What will he teach them?
11. What would it be for him to not pray for them?
12. Fill in the blanks below:
_____ the Lord.
_____ in truth.
13. What should the people consider?
14. What will happen if they do wickedly?

Apply-

Nothing but serving the Lord can profit. I will try to teach you the truth. I pray for you often and so do the youth workers. You have to choose the right way. What will you choose?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Romans 14:13

Read – I Samuel 16:19-23

David showed deference to King Saul!

Examine –

1. Who was requesting for David to come?
2. Where was David?
3. What did Jesse send with David to Saul?
4. What did Saul think of David?
5. What did David become?
6. Who did Saul ask for permission from for David to stay with him?
7. What had David found in Saul's sight?
8. What would come over Saul?
9. What did David play?
10. What did it do for Saul?
11. What happened to the evil spirit?

Note: David was already anointed King of Israel and could have forced this, but he chose to wait and show his deference.

Apply-

If you were going to be king would you serve the man who you knew you would replace?

How could you show deference to someone today?

Report the results here!

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Romans 14:13

Read – I Samuel 25:1-17

Abigail did not show deference to her husband!

Examine –

1. Who is this story about?
2. Describe his possessions:
3. Describe Abigail:
4. Describe Nabal:
5. Who did David send to Nabal and why?
6. Did he give them their request?
7. How did he answer them?
8. What was David going to do?
9. Who intervened for them?
10. How had David's men treated the men of Nabal?
11. What did the servant say about Nabal?

Apply-

This is a confusing situation. Abigail avoided a disaster, but she circumvented her authority. What do you think of this in this situation?

What do you think she should have done?

What would you have done?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Romans 14:13

Read – Review

Examine –

In the below blanks put the character we studied, how they did or did not show deference, and how they could have responded:

Character	Deference or Not?	Correct Response?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today:

Character Series

Dependability

Psalms 15:4

In whose eyes a vile person is contemned; but he honoureth them that fear the LORD. *He that* sweareth to *his own* hurt, and changeth not.

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I COR. 10:31

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Psalms 15:4

Read – Selected passages

Another word for dependability is faithfulness!

Examine –

Look up the verse below and tell who was faithful and in what way.

Numbers 12:7		
Nehemiah 7:2		
Daniel 6:4		
I Corinthians 4:17		
Ephesians 6:21		
Colossians 4:7		
Colossians 4:9		
I Peter 5:12		

Apply-

How do you compare with these men?

If someone were writing a book about our youth group what would they say about you?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today:

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Psalms 15:4

Read – Selected passages

Examine –

In chart below put the characteristic or reward of those who are faithful. In the third column rate yourself in this area. (1-10)

Proverbs 11:13		
Proverbs 13:17		
Proverbs 14:5		
Proverbs 20:6		
Proverbs 25:13		
Proverbs 28:20		
Matthew 25:21&23		
Luke 16:10-12		
I Corinthians 4:2		

Apply-

What can you do to improve on your weak points?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today:

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Psalms 15:4

Read – Hebrews 3:1-5

Moses was dependable!

Examine –

1. What does the author call the brethren to start this passage?
2. What does he call Jesus in this passage?
3. To whom was Jesus faithful?
4. In what was Moses faithful?
5. In what was Jesus counted worthy more than Moses?
6. Who has more honor than the house?
7. To what was the author referring?
8. What does every house have?
9. Who built all things?
10. How was Moses faithful?
11. How long would his testimony last?

Note: The point the author is trying to make is that Moses was faithful, but he does not compare with Jesus!

Bonus: What is the purpose of writing Hebrews?

Apply-

Will you be considered dependable in years to come?

What can you do now to help develop this?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Psalms 15:4

Read – II Chronicles 34:1-13

Common laborers were faithful!

Examine –

1. Who was King in Israel?
2. How old was he?
3. What did he do in his 8th year of reigning?
4. What did he do in his 12th year of reigning?
5. What did he begin to do in the 18th year of his reigning?
6. What had the priest been collecting?
7. What were they doing with the money?
8. What did they do with the money? (3 things)
9. How did the men work?
10. Who was in charge of the work?
11. Who did they oversee?
12. What three groups of workers came from the priest?

Apply-

Do you need someone standing over you for a job to be done right?

Can you be counted on to do what you say no matter what?

Who do you need to apologize to for not being faithful?

Do that today!

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Psalms 15:4

Read – II Samuel 11:6-17

Uriah was dependable, even with his own death notice!

Examine –

1. Why was Uriah brought home from the battle?
2. What did David want to know from him?
3. Where did David send him?
4. What did he send with him?
5. Where did Uriah sleep?
6. What did Uriah say was the reason he couldn't go to his house?
7. What did David do to him to try to get him to go home?
8. Did he go home?
9. What did David send with Uriah when he went back?
10. What was inside?
11. Did the plan work?

Apply-

Uriah was more concerned about others than his own desires. This is the exact opposite of David in this story. Uriah's own character killed him (so to speak).

If someone gave you an envelope to deliver to someone, would you open it?

If someone gave you cash to put somewhere and there was no accountability, what would you do?

This will say a lot about your character!

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Psalms 15:4

Read – II Kings 12:1-15

The workers were dependable with the money!

Examine –

1. Who was reigning in Jerusalem?
2. How long did he reign?
3. Who was the priest?
4. What was not taken away?
5. Why were they collecting money?
6. Did the priest use the money for the repairs?
7. What did the priest do to collect money for the repairs?
8. Did they collect a lot of money?
9. Where did they put this money?
10. For what was it used?
11. What was not made?
12. Did they follow up with the men that had the money?
13. Why didn't they?

Apply-

When someone is dependable with money this is a big deal. It is one of the biggest temptations. How do you respond to money?

Is it a temptation for you?

What safe guards do you have to help you with this?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Psalms 15:4

Read – Review

Examine –

Write a paragraph on someone in the Bible who was dependable:

Write a paragraph on someone in the Bible who was not dependable:

Apply-

Write a time in your life when you were/were not dependable and what you learned from that:

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Character Series

Determination

Isaiah 50:7

For the Lord God will help me; therefore shall I not be confounded: therefore have I set my face like a flint, and I know that I shall not be ashamed.

THE THINGS I WANT TO ACCOMPLISH THIS WEEK!!!

I COR. 10:31

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Isaiah 50:7

Read – Genesis 14:1-12

Abraham was determined to deliver Lot!

Examine –

1. List the kings that won the battle:
2. List the kings that lost the battle:
3. Where did they fight?
4. How long did they serve him before they rebelled?
5. How long was it before the kings decided to fight?
6. What was the ratio of the fight?
7. Of what was the Vale of Siddim full?
8. The people of Sodom and Gomorrah went to two places. Name them.
9. What did the winning kings take?
10. Who specifically did they take?
11. Who was Lot to Abraham?

Apply-

Would you have saved Lot?

It would have been easy to say, “You got what you deserved”. This was not Abraham’s reaction as we learn tomorrow. How do you react to people who get themselves in a mess?

Are you glad God didn’t say to us to get ourselves out? We should treat others as we have been treated.

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Isaiah 50:7

Read – Genesis 14:13-24

Abraham was determined to deliver Lot!

Examine –

1. Where was Abraham living?
2. How did he find out about this situation?
3. Who did Abraham arm?
4. How many did Abraham have?
5. How far did they pursue them?
6. Was the battle a success for Abraham?
7. What did he bring back?
8. Where did the King of Sodom meet Abraham?
9. Who did Abraham meet here as well?
10. To whom did he attribute the victory of Abraham?
11. What did Abraham give to him?
12. What did the king of Sodom offer Abraham?
13. Why did Abraham not want the stuff?
14. Who did he allow to take some things?

Apply-

Even though Abraham was badly outnumbered, and Lot did not deserve to be delivered, Abraham was determined to do what was right. He pursued them all night. Do you stick with a job until it is done?

Do you quit when things get hard?

God wants us to have the determination of Abraham so He can get the glory.

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Isaiah 50:7

Read – I Samuel 14:1-7

Jonathan was determined to not lose the battle

Examine – (I Samuel 13 will give some background to this passage)

1. Who was Jonathan?
2. To whom was he talking?
3. What did he want to do?
4. Who did he not tell?
5. Where was Saul?
6. How many were with him?
7. Who was with Saul?
8. What was marking the passage that Jonathan wanted to take?
9. What were their names?
10. What did Jonathan think might happen if they went?
11. What did he call the Philistines?
12. What is there none of in reference to the Lord?
13. What was the armor bearer's response?

Apply-

It appears that Jonathan got tired of sitting doing nothing and decided to go do something about their situation. There are a lot of character qualities here, but let's concentrate on the determination. Why did he not tell anyone?

Sometimes you will have to go alone if you're going to do what's right.

Are you willing to do what no one else is willing to do?

Give an example in your everyday life.

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Isaiah 50:7

Read – I Samuel 14:8-16

Jonathan was determined to not lose the battle

Examine –

1. What was Jonathan's plan?
2. What would he do if they said to stay there?
3. If they told them to come up what did that tell Jonathan?
4. This was a _____ to Jonathan.
5. What did the Philistines say about them hiding?
6. What did the Philistines say to Jonathan?
7. Who was first and who followed?

Bonus: Why is this unusual?

8. How many men did they kill?
9. How much land did they cover?
10. What was the response among the rest of the Philistines?
11. What quaked?
12. What did Saul's watchmen observe?

Apply-

It is amazing what one man can do if he is determined. Jonathan's response, with his Armor bearer, caused an entire army to run. What could you cause when you choose to do right?

Are you willing and determined to do right?

How could you today?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Isaiah 50:7

Read – II Samuel 6:1-9

David was determined to get the ark home

Examine –

1. Numbers 7:9 says that the ark was to be born on what?
(This will help you with the context of this story)
2. How many men went with David?
3. What was he doing?
4. How did they carry the ark?
5. In whose house was it?
6. Who drove the cart?
7. Who went before the ark?
8. What did David do before the ark?
9. What were some of the instruments they used?
10. What happened to Uzzah?
11. Why did this happen?
12. Where were they when this happened?
13. What was David's reaction?
14. What did David name the place?
BONUS: What does this mean?
15. Verse 9 tells us David was _____ of the Lord.

Apply-

David wanted to do a good job. He was determined to get it done. However, he went about it the wrong way, and God judged Uzzah. The ark should have never shaken if it was carried right. We must do things God's way even when we are determined. Have you tried to do a right thing in the wrong way?

Ask God to help you with this.

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Isaiah 50:7

Read – II Samuel 6:10-16

David was determined to get the ark home

Examine –

1. What would David not do after the events with Uzzah?
2. Whose house did he put it in?
3. How long was the ark there?
4. What happened to this household?
5. Where did he bring the ark?
6. What was his emotional state?
7. How did they move it this time?
8. How many paces did they go at a time?
9. What did they do after they had traveled this far?
10. What was David doing?
11. How was he dressed?
12. As the people brought the ark in what were they doing?
13. Who saw David as he brought in the ark?
14. What was her response?

Apply-

This time David does it right. His own wife criticized him, but he accomplished the job. If you determine to do right others will criticize you. What can you do as you are criticized?

Will you determine to do right anyway?

Hopefully you don't criticize others for doing right.

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Isaiah 50:7

Read – Review

Examine – In the blanks below write what day we studied an event, where it was found, what the person and/or group did, what was the result of this action.

Day	Passage	What did they do	What was the result

Apply –

What difficult thing are you facing?

What steps do you need to take to help you accomplish your goal?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today:

Character Series

Diligence

Colossians 3:23

And whatsoever ye do, do it heartily, as to the Lord, and not unto men;

THE THINGS I WANT TO ACCOMPLISH THIS WEEK!!!

I COR. 10:31

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Colossians 3:23

Read – Nehemiah 1:1-11

Nehemiah was diligent in his prayer life.

Examine –

1. Who is this book about?
2. Where was he?
3. Who told him of the situation in Jerusalem?
4. What was wrong with the wall?
5. What was the condition of the gates?
6. What was Nehemiah's response to this news?
7. To whom did Nehemiah first take his petition?
8. How had Israel dealt with God?
9. What had God promised to do to them?
10. For what was he asking?
11. From what man did Nehemiah want mercy?
12. What position did Nehemiah hold?

Apply-

Why should Nehemiah be concerned with this?

Nehemiah went to the right source. He was diligent in his prayer life. How are you diligent in your prayer life?

How are you concerned about others in your prayer life?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Colossians 3:23

Read – Nehemiah 2:1-11

Nehemiah was diligent in his actions.

Examine –

1. What time did Nehemiah approach the King?
2. What did he serve the King?
3. What had he not been before?
4. The King thought the sadness was from what?
BONUS: Why was he afraid?
5. Why did Nehemiah say he was sad?
6. What did the King want to know from Nehemiah?
7. What did Nehemiah want to do?
8. Who was with the King?
9. What did the King want to know?
10. What did the letters to the governors over the river do?
11. What did the letter to the keeper of the king's forest do?
12. Did the king give the request?
13. What else did the king send with him?
14. What two men were not pleased that Nehemiah had come?
15. How long was he there before he looked at the city in detail?

Apply-

Nehemiah put his prayers to action. He prayed for God to work, but he also did his part by asking and going. He had thought about what he would need for the project and planned ahead. Do you see a need around you?

Have you been praying about it?

Maybe it's time for action!

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Colossians 3:23

Read – Nehemiah 2:12-18

Nehemiah was diligent in his actions.

Examine –

1. When did Nehemiah survey the city?
2. Who was with him?
3. Did any one know what was going on?
4. What are some points he mentions from which he viewed the city?
5. It got so bad eventually his _____ could not pass.
6. Who had he not told about the plan?
7. What two-letter word did Nehemiah use that involved him in the problem?
8. What was the problem?
9. What did he propose for them to do?
10. What did he tell them that was encouraging to them?
11. What did they decide to do?
12. What kind of work was it?

Apply-

Nehemiah convinced the people that they all had a problem. He included himself in it even though he did not have to. He evaluated the situation and then presented the problem. He shared how God had already worked to show Himself strong in this project. Now what would the followers do?

How is this like the way you approach a problem?

Do you give up or diligently work out a solution?

Do you encourage others to work for Christ?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Colossians 3:23

Read – Nehemiah 2:19-20; 4:1-6

Nehemiah was diligent through opposition.

Examine –

1. What character has been added to the list of opposition now?
2. What did they do against them?
3. Of what did they accuse them?
4. Who did Nehemiah look to for his success?
5. What would God's servants do?
6. What did he say about them in relation to Jerusalem?
7. What did Sanballat do when he heard that the wall was built?
8. To whom did he speak?
9. What did he call the Jews?
10. What did Tobiah say would happen to the wall?
11. To whom did Nehemiah go to plead his case?
12. What did he ask God to do?
13. What did the people have a mind to do?

Apply-

How do you handle opposition?

Does it force you to pray?

Do you keep working even when it comes?

Ask God to help you not be discouraged.

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Colossians 3:23

Read – Nehemiah 4:7-23

Nehemiah was diligent through opposition.

Examine –

1. Who is now new to the opposition?
2. What did they conspire to do?
3. What did Nehemiah do again?
4. He also set what?
5. What was in the way so they could not work?
6. From where would the attacks come?
7. Where did he set watches?
8. They were not to be _____ but remember the _____.
9. How does he describe the Lord?
10. Did the attack ever come?
11. What did they do from now on?
12. Who was by Nehemiah?
13. When did they stand guard?
14. What was the only time they put off their clothes?

Apply-

Many of us stop the work we are doing and fight the battles. Nehemiah continuing working and fighting the battles. What are you busy doing?

What task has God given you to do this week or month?

Are you diligent at the task God has given you or are you sidetracked by others?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Colossians 3:23

Read – Nehemiah 6:1-19

Nehemiah was diligent in through opposition.

Examine –

1. The wall is built but what is missing?
2. What did they want Nehemiah to do?
3. What did they want to do to him?
4. Why could he not come down?
5. How many times did they send to him?
6. What did the fifth letter claim?
7. Of what did they accuse Nehemiah?
8. What did Nehemiah ask God to do?
9. Why would Nehemiah not hide himself?
10. Who had hired this man to give this counsel?
11. How long did it take them to finish the wall?
12. What did the enemies have to conclude about the work?
13. What were many nobles in Judah doing?
14. Why?
15. Why were the letters sent?

Apply-

Nehemiah had opposition from within and without. It was constant. They accused his character, his motives, and his ability. Yet he accomplished the task God had given him. What area of his life is a particular rebuke to you and why?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Colossians 3:23

Read – Some of the passages we studied

Examine and Apply-

Write two stories about Nehemiah: 1) Write about what his life may have been like had he not done anything. 2) Write about if he had allowed the criticism to affect him. Include how you would react along with each story.

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today:

Character Series

Endurance

Galatians 6:9

And let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not.

THE THINGS I WANT TO ACCOMPLISH THIS WEEK!!!

I COR. 10:31

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Galatians 6:9

Read – Isaiah 40:28-31

Endurance is not something you can muster up!

Examine –

1. Does it appear that the people don't know something?
2. What three descriptions does he give God?
3. What does God not do?
4. What can we not search?
5. To whom does he give power?
6. To whom does he increase strength?
7. What will happen to youths?
8. What will happen to the young men?
9. How can we renew our strength?
10. What will we be like?
11. When we run what will happen?
12. What will they do?
13. Will it affect them negatively?

Apply-

God is our strength. Since he created us, he knows us. He knows how we function. If we go to Him and rest in Him, He can cause us not to fail. How are you depending on Him for your daily strength?

Will you ask Him to strengthen you today?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Galatians 6:9

Read – Luke 9:51-62

Endurance is above excuses!

Examine –

1. What was Jesus determined to do?
 2. Why did He send others ahead of Him?
 3. Who did not receive him?
 4. What did the disciples want to do to them?
 5. What was Jesus' response?
 6. What was Jesus coming to do?
 7. What discouraged the first follower of Jesus?
 8. What was the second's excuse?
 9. What did Jesus want him to do?
 10. What was the third's excuse?
 11. What would make a person not fit for God's kingdom?
- Bonus: What Old Testament character burnt his plows? (Give scriptural support)

Apply-

If we look at the above excuses, we could say that Finances, Family and Friends kept these people from serving God. Which one of these most often keeps you from serving God and how?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Galatians 6:9

Read – Selected passages

Examine –

1. Look up the verses in the first column. In the second column, write who endured. In the third column write for what/who they endured.

	Who?	For what/who?
II Thessalonians 1:4		
II Timothy 3:11		
II Timothy 2:10		
Hebrews 6:15		
James 5:10-11a		
James 5:11b		

2. In Proverbs 24:10, how do we know our strength?
3. According to II Timothy 4:5, what are we to endure?
4. According to Hebrews 12:7, what are we to endure?
5. According to Ephesians 3:13, at what should we not faint?
6. Why should we not faint according to II Corinthians 4:1?
7. Why should we not faint according to II Corinthians 4:16?
8. According to Luke 18:1, what should we always do and not faint?

Apply-

By looking over this list of people and commands we should quickly identify areas where we are weak. When it comes to endurance, where are you weak?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Galatians 6:9

Read – I Corinthians 15:58

Examine –

1. What is the “therefore” there for, in other words why should we do this?
2. To whom is he talking?
3. What two words should describe us?

4. Define both of these words:



5. In what should we be abounding?
6. Why is this the case?
7. In the context, why do you think it is not in vain?

Apply-

Are you abounding in the work of the Lord?

Are you just trudging through it?

What areas of your life seem to be moving all the time that you need to make steadfast?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Galatians 6:9

Read – Genesis 29:9-30

Examine –

1. Who is this story about?
2. Who was Rachel's father?
3. How long was Jacob there before they discussed wages?
4. What were the names of the two daughters?
5. What was the description for Rachel?

6. What was he willing to do to marry Rachel?
7. What did the seven years seem like to Jacob?
8. Why?

9. Who did Laban give to Jacob to wife?
10. Why did he say that he did this?
11. How long was it to be before he could marry Rachel?
12. How much longer would he have to serve for her?
13. Who did he love more?

Apply-

Jacob endured a lot to get his wife. If we kept reading in the story you will find that he served his father-in-law for a total of twenty years. Jacob was willing to endure and sacrifice because he loved her. We usually sacrifice and put up with stuff for what we love as well. Do you love God enough to endure for Him?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Galatians 6:9

Read – selected passages

Examine –

In the chart below look up the passages of Scripture. In the second column put whom the story is about. In the third column, tell whether they endured or not. In the fourth column write how you think you would have reacted.

	Who?	Did they endure?	What about me?
Genesis 39-41			
Deut. 34:1-6			
Joshua 14:6-15			
Daniel 6:1-24			
Matt. 26:47-50			
Acts 15:36-38			
Phil. 2:19-23			
II Timothy 4:6-7			
II Timothy 4:10			

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Galatians 6:9

Read – You chose

Examine –

Choose a Bible story that expresses endurance. It should be one that you think would have been tough for you. Tell the story briefly and then tell why it would have been hard for you. Tell how you may have acted and how you should have acted.

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Character Series

Enthusiasm

John 10:10

The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly.

THE THINGS I WANT TO ACCOMPLISH THIS WEEK!!!

I COR. 10:31

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – John 10:10

Read – Luke 1:46-55

Examine –

1. Who is talking in this passage?
2. Who was she magnifying?
3. What was her spirit doing?
4. In what was it doing this?
5. What would the rest of the generations call her?
6. What had God done for her?
7. What is His name?
8. What is on them?
9. What had God showed?
10. What does God do to the proud?
11. What has He done for the hungry?
12. Who has He helped?
13. To whom had He spoken this promise?
14. Why was Mary saying these things? (You may have to look over the whole context)

Apply-

Can you think of some promises that God has kept to you in the last few days?

List them here and then thank Him for keeping them.

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – John 10:10

Read – I Samuel 2:1-5

Examine –

1. What is the occasion of Hannah's prayer?
2. In what was she rejoicing?
3. Who were her enemies? (1:6 may help you)
4. The LORD only is _____.
5. How many are like Him?
6. What should not come out of their mouths?
7. What king of God is He?
8. What does he weigh?
9. What has been reversed?
10. What have those that used to be full do?
11. What have those that were hungry done?
12. What have the barren born?
13. What has happen to those that used to have children?

Fact: You must remember that in Israel a woman who had no children was laughed at and made fun of for it and was to be considered cursed by God.

Apply-

Before, Hannah prayed that God would answer her prayer. Now she is thanking Him for doing so. She is dropping off her little son at the Temple. Have you made some promises to God? Are you keeping them even if it is hard?

Hannah could be enthused about this because this is what she prayed. Is God answering your prayers?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – John 10:10

Read – I Samuel 2:6-10

Examine –

1. What two things does God do?
2. What does he do in relation to riches?
3. From where does He raise the poor?
4. From where does He get the beggar?
5. What does He do with them?
6. What does God own?
7. Whose feet will he keep?
8. Who will be silent?
9. By what shall no man prevail?
10. What will God do to his adversaries?
11. What will God judge?
12. What will he give his King?
13. What will he exalt?

Apply-

Hannah may have thought that the baby was the Messiah. He was not of course, but he was greatly used of God. Can you see some similar parts in Hannah and Mary's prayer?

What are they and what can you learn from them?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – John 10:10

Read – Exodus 15:1-10

Examine –

1. Why is this praise being offered?
2. Who is leading this song?
3. To whom are they singing?
4. What had God done with the enemy?
5. What things did they say God was to them?

6. What is the LORD?
7. What is His name?
8. Who had God destroyed?
9. What consumed them as stubble?
10. How did God keep the waters back?
11. How did he release them?

Apply-

Can you say what they did in verse 2?

What part is hardest for you to do?

How do you allow God to be your strength?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – John 10:10

Read – Exodus 15:11-19

Examine –

1. What three things do they say separate God from other gods?
2. How has God led them?
3. How has He guided them?
4. When others hear what He had done what would be their reaction?
5. What would take hold of the inhabitants of Palestina?
6. What would the Dukes of Edom do?
7. What would the men of Moab do?
8. What would happen to the inhabitants of Canaan?
9. What will fall on all of them?
10. Who would help them to be established in the land?
11. How long will the LORD reign?
12. How did the children of Israel go over?
13. Did Pharaoh make it over?

Apply-

God does things for His children that he will not do for others. If they could have remembered this prayer in the future it would have saved them from trouble. How can God do the same things for you?

How can you remind yourself of this truth in the future?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – John 10:10

Read – Selected passages

Examine –

We have seen how people rejoiced in God when wonderful things happened. Enthusiasm and Joy are closely linked. The definition is “expressing with my spirit the joy of my soul”. From the following verses, list something we can learn about Enthusiasm/Joy.

Phil. 4:4	
John 10:10	
John 15:11	
John 16:22-24	
John 17:13	
I Peter 1:8	
Psalms 16:11	

Apply-

What of the above things are you struggling with and why?

Ask God to help you outwardly express what He has done for you!

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – John 10:10

Read – Review

Examine –

Looking at the prayers that we have studied this week and the verses yesterday, could you write your own prayer to God about something He has done for you?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Character Series

Faith

Hebrews 11:1

Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.

THE THINGS I WANT TO ACCOMPLISH THIS WEEK!!!

I COR. 10:31

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Hebrews 11:1

Read – Hebrews 11:1-6

Examine –

1. Define Faith –
2. What did the elders obtain by faith?
3. What do we understand about the worlds?
4. Who is the first example of faith?
5. What does the Bible call his sacrifice?
6. It was better than whose gift?
7. What did this witness?
8. Who is our second example?
9. What did he not see?
10. What happened to him?
11. What was his testimony?
12. What must we have to please God?
13. When we come to God, what must we believe?
14. Who does he reward?

Apply-

How are you pleasing God?

Do you have Faith?

How do you demonstrate faith?

God is pleased when we put our faith in Him daily!

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Hebrews 11:1

Read – Hebrews 11:7-12

Examine –

1. Who is our example now?
2. What kind of warning did he get?
3. What did he prepare?
4. Of what did he become heir?
5. Who is the next example?
6. What was he asked to do?
7. What did he not know about the place?
8. What did he do in the land of promise?
9. Where did he live?
10. Who else lived this way and was heir to the promise?
11. For what kind of city did he look?
12. Who is the next example?
13. What did she receive strength to do?
14. What did she judge about the one giving the promise?

Bonus: Explain in detail and in writing the meaning of verse 12.

Apply-

Do you trust God with your future as Abraham did?

Can you blindly follow when you don't understand?

How do you show that you believe the promises of God?

How you answer the above question will have an outcome on your spiritual life.

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Hebrews 11:1

Read – Hebrews 11:13-19

Examine –

1. What happened to all these people?
2. What had they not yet received?
3. What had they seen afar off?
4. What three things did they do with the promises?
5. What were they on the earth?
6. Were they concerned about the country they left?
7. What are they now desiring?
8. Where is this country?
9. Of what are they not ashamed?
10. What was Abraham's trial?
11. What was Isaac in relation to the promise?
12. What did Abraham believe God could do?
13. The Bible calls Isaac a _____.

Apply-

Are you looking for a better country?

Do you live your life as if this is the only way?

Are you seeking material things?

What change do you need to make to strive for the eternal?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Hebrews 11:1

Read – Hebrews 11:20-26

Examine –

1. Who is the next example?
2. Who did he bless?
3. Who were these people to him?
4. Who did Jacob bless?
5. When did he do this?
6. What did Joseph mention at his death?
7. What did he ask them to do?
8. How long was Moses hid?
9. Of what were they not afraid?
10. What did Moses refuse?
11. What did he suffer?
12. What was he not going to enjoy?
13. How long do the pleasures of sin last?
14. What was greater than the treasures of Egypt?
15. What did he know was coming?

Apply-

Moses was looking beyond the now to the future. He gave up a lot by the world's standards. He could have been rich, popular, worshipped, powerful, and more; but it was worth it to him. Is it to you?

How are you demonstrating that today?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Hebrews 11:1

Read – Hebrews 11:27-31

Examine –

1. What did Moses forsake?
2. What did he not fear?
3. At what was he looking?
4. What did he keep through faith?
5. What did the sprinkling of blood do for them?
6. What did they cross by faith?
7. When the Egyptians tried to do this, what happened?
8. What caused the walls of Jericho to fall down?
9. How long were they compassed?
10. Who is our next example?
11. For what was she known?
12. How did she receive the spies?

Apply-

Moses and others did things that defy scientific and human logic, yet they trusted God.

What things can you do that don't make sense to others?

Are you willing to trust the unseen?

This is what faith is all about.

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Hebrews 11:1

Read – Hebrews 11:32-40

Examine –

1. List the seven people or groups, that are listed in verse 32, in column one. In column two, write what they did. In column three list the Scriptural support.

Person	Their action	Scripture Reference

2. Where did they wonder?
3. What did these obtain through faith?
4. Did they receive the promise?

Note: We have it better because we can see these things.

Apply-

What, of the things listed above that people went through, would you have a hard time going through?

Would you do it for the Lord?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Hebrews 11:1

Read – Hebrews 11

Examine –

In the following chart put the examples of faith in the first column and what they did in the second column, in third column put the result.

Person	Action	Result

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today:

Character Series

Forgiveness

Ephesians 4:31-32

“Let all bitterness, and wrath, and anger, and clamor, and evil speaking, be put away from you, with all malice: And be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ’s sake, hath forgiven you.”

THE THINGS I WANT TO ACCOMPLISH THIS WEEK!!!
I COR. 10:31

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Ephesians 4:31-32

Read – Selected passages

Examine –

In the chart below look up the verse and write something you learn about forgiveness:

Matt. 6:12	
Matt. 18:21-22	
Matt. 18:34-35	
Mark 11:25-26	
Luke 6:37	
Luke 7:47	
Luke 17:3-4	
Psalms 86:5	

Apply-

Do you have someone you need to forgive?

Will you ask God to give you the strength to do what's right by week's end?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Ephesians 4:31-32

Read – II Samuel 9:1-13

David forgives the house of Saul.

Examine –

1. To what house did David want to show kindness?
2. Why did he want to do this?
BONUS: Why is this so unusual?
3. What was the servant's name?
4. Who had a son?
5. What was wrong with him?
6. Where was he and in whose house was he living?
7. What was his name?
8. What did he do when he came into David?
9. What did David do for him?
10. What did David tell Ziba to do?
11. How many sons and servants did Ziba have?
12. How would Mephibosheth be treated?
13. What was Mephibosheth's son's name?

Apply-

As much as Saul did to David, you would think that he would eliminate the household; but David does not. If you look at other portions of Scripture you find that there were other members of Saul's family as well. David shows incredible forgiveness.

We should do the same, even to an enemy of our family. Can you do that?

Ask God to help you today?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Ephesians 4:31-32

Read – Selected Passages

Examine –

In the chart below look up the following verses, in column 2 put who gave or did not give forgiveness, in column 3 write whether they did or did not, in column 4 put what the circumstances were.

	Who?	Forgive?	Circumstances
I Kings 21:25-29			
Numbers 12			
Hosea 3			
Matthew 14:1-11			
Acts 7:54-60			

Apply -

Pick one of the stories above and write how you would have reacted and why?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Ephesians 4:31-32

Read – Genesis 27:30-28:9

Esau refuses to forgive his brother and is bitter

Examine –

1. Who stole the blessing from Esau?
2. What does Esau beg his father to do for him?
3. Why does Esau say Jacob is rightly named?
4. What does verse 41 say about Esau's feelings for Jacob?
5. What was he going to do to him?
6. For what was he waiting?
7. Who heard about the plot?
8. Where did she want him to go?
9. How long did Rebekah think this would last?
10. What reason did she give Isaac for wanting him to go away?

11. Did Isaac give his blessings?
12. What did Esau see that his father and mother did not like?
13. What did he do?

Apply-

Esau allowed bitterness to control the decisions he made. No one thinks of him as being successful. Jacob was wrong and so was Rebekah, but Esau refused to respond the right way. His relationship with his mother or brother was never restored. By the way ... Rebekah never saw Jacob again. Don't allow unforgiveness to tear your relationships apart. Forgive today!

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Ephesians 4:31-32

Read – Genesis 45: 1-8

Joseph demonstrated forgiveness to his brothers!

Examine –

1. What could Joseph do no longer?
2. What did Joseph do with everyone?
3. What did Joseph do aloud?
4. Who heard him?
5. When Joseph told his brothers who he was what did he want to know?
6. What could the brothers not do?
7. At what were they troubled?
8. What did he have to tell them again?
9. What did he tell them to not be to themselves?
10. Why had God sent him there?
11. How long had the famine been going?
12. How long was left?
13. Who does Joseph recognize as the one who sent him?
14. What position did Joseph hold?

Apply-

Joseph had the power to destroy them, but he chooses to forgive them. Joseph had things in perspective. He realized that God had a plan for him, and he trusted that plan. Do you have someone who has done you wrong?

Can you forgive them?

What can you see God doing in your life through this?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Ephesians 4:31-32

Read – Genesis 45:9-15

Joseph demonstrated forgiveness to his brothers!

Examine –

1. What does Joseph want his brothers to do?
2. Where would they dwell?

Bonus: What was significant about this?

3. Where was this in relation to Joseph?
4. Who would take care of them?
5. Why is it important that he take care of them?
6. What did their eyes see?
7. What would they tell his father?
8. Who did he weep the most over?
9. What did he do with each of his brethren?
10. What did they do afterwards?

Apply-

We can see that Joseph put action to his forgiveness by offering to completely take care of them for the next five years. This week you should have identified some people who you need to show forgiveness.

What can you do for them to demonstrate this?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Ephesians 4:31-32

Read – Genesis 50:15-21

Joseph demonstrated forgiveness to his brothers!

Examine –

We jump forward in this story now.

1. What had just happened to the family?
2. What did they think would happen now that he was gone?
3. What did they expect for him to do?
4. Who did they say had commanded Joseph to forgive them?
NOTE: They miss the point that Joseph had already done this long ago. He had a higher command.
5. Had they done Joseph wrong?
6. What was Joseph's response when he heard them?
7. What did his brothers do before him?
8. What did they say they would be to him?
9. Why should they not be afraid?
10. Joseph's brothers wanted _____ but God turned it to _____.
11. Why did God do this?
12. What did Joseph promise them?
13. What did he do to them right then?

Apply-

Can you speak kindly to your enemies?

Could you meet their needs on a long-term basis?

What has God taught you about forgiveness this week that has helped you?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Character Series

Generosity

II Corinthians 9:6

But this / say, He which soweth sparingly shall reap also sparingly; and he which soweth bountifully shall reap also bountifully.

THE THINGS I WANT TO ACCOMPLISH THIS WEEK!!!

I COR. 10:31

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – II Corinthians 9:6

Read – Philippians 4:14-19

Examine –

1. In what had they done well?
2. What, in this context, do you think communicate means?
3. To whom is he writing?
4. Where had Paul just departed?
5. How many churches gave to Paul?
6. To what city did they twice send Paul help?
7. Did Paul desire a gift?
8. What was his goal?
9. Who brought the things to Paul?
10. How did he describe the gift?
11. Who would be pleased with the gift?
12. Because they were willing to give what would God do for them?
13. How would He do this?

Apply-

Are you giving to others?

How do you sacrifice so that the gospel will go throughout the world?

Are you trusting God to meet your needs?

List some of those needs here and pray for them this morning.

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today:

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – II Corinthians 9:6

Read – II Corinthians 8:1-5

Examine –

1. Is he writing to Christians?
2. Define wit –
3. What was bestowed on the churches?
4. Where were these churches located?
5. What were they going through?
6. Of what did they have abundance?
7. How does he describe their poverty?
8. In what were they liberal?
9. What were they willing to do that was beyond their power?
10. To whom and why were they giving?
11. What did they first give?

Apply-

Have you given yourself to God?

Are you practicing faith promise missions giving?

Have you prayed for God to supply your needs as well as others?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – II Corinthians 9:6

Read – II Corinthians 9:6-8; Luke 6:38; Ephesians 4:28

Examine –

II Corinthians 9:6-8

1. If you sow sparingly you will reap _____.
2. If you sow bountifully you will reap _____.
3. Where should we first purpose to give?
4. What two ways should we not give?
5. What does God love?
6. What is God able to make abound to you?
7. To what will we abound?

Luke 6:38

8. What will happen if we give?
9. How will we get it back?

Ephesians 4:28

10. What should we not do?
11. What should we do?
12. Why should we do this?

Bonus: This is one of five reasons we should work. Give the others and list Scriptural support.

Apply-

The principle is you reap what you sow. We cannot out-give God. How would you describe your giving methods? (Sparingly, moderate, liberal)

What needs to change about them?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – II Corinthians 9:6

Read – Exodus 35:20-29

Examine –

1. Who had just instructed the people?
2. Their heart was _____.
3. Their spirit was _____.
4. Why were they giving?
5. Both _____ and _____ gave.
6. What did they give?
7. What kind of linen was brought?
8. What kind of animal skin was brought?
9. They also offered _____ and _____.
10. What kind of wood was brought?
11. In verses 25-26 the women gave their _____.
12. What things did the rulers bring?
13. What word is used over and over to describe the people's attitude?

Apply-

We can give our money, possession, time and talents. What have you given to Him?

Which is easiest for you to give?

Why?

Which is hardest for you to give?

Why?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today:

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – II Corinthians 9:6

Read – Selected passages

Examine –

In the chart below list what you learn from the verse about giving.

Proverbs 3:27-28	
Proverbs 19:17	
Proverbs 21:26	
Proverbs 22:9	
Proverbs 25:21-22	

Apply-

Which of the above principles do you struggle with in your life?

What can you do about it?

Prayer _____

Praise _____

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – II Corinthians 9:6

Read – I Chronicles 29: 14-19

Examine –

1. Look at verse 10 and tell me who is speaking here?
2. How were they offering to God?
3. From where do all things come?
4. What does David call himself?
5. How are our days on the earth?
6. Why were the people giving?
7. What does God try?
8. In what does he have pleasure?
9. What was David's motive in giving?
10. When the people gave willingly what did that do for David?
11. How long had the people been dreaming of building a house?
12. Who would actually build the house?
13. What did he need?

Apply-

Do you realize that all things belong to God anyway?

When you give, do you do so willingly?

What is your heart attitude towards giving?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – II Corinthians 9:6

Read – Re-read Passages

Examine and Apply –

List 10 principles about giving that you learned this week in column one, then in column 2 rate yourself in each area.

Quality	My rating

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today:

Character Series

Gratefulness

Ephesians 5:20

Giving thanks always for all things unto God and the Father in the name of
our Lord Jesus Christ.

THE THINGS I WANT TO ACCOMPLISH THIS WEEK!!!

I COR. 10:31

Date: _____ Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Ephesians 5:20

Read – Selected passages

Examine –

1. In the following chart, look up the verse in column one. Put what you learn about thankfulness (gratefulness) in the appropriate column. Note: Not every column will have something every time.

Verse	Where	When	How
Psalms 18:49			
Psalms 35:18			
Psalms 100:4			
Psalms 119:62			
Psalms 147:7			
Jonah 2:9			

2. In the following chart look up the verse and list for what each one was thankful.

I Chron. 16:34	
Psalms 26:7	
Psalms 30:4	
Matt 15:36	
Matt 26:27	
I Cor. 15:57	
II Cor. 9:15	
I Thes. 1:2	

Apply-

Can you make a list of things for which you are thankful?

What of the above things have you struggled to give thanks?

Would you say that this is a weak area in your life?

Ask God to help you this week.

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____ Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Ephesians 5:20

Read – Esther 6:1-11

Examine –

1. Who could not sleep?
2. What did he want them to bring to him?
3. What did they do with them?
4. What two men were going to kill the King?
5. Who told on them?
6. What was done to him to show thanks?
7. Who was in the court?
8. Why was he there?
9. What did the King want to know from Haman?
10. Who did Haman think the King was talking about?
11. Briefly describe what Haman thought should be done:
12. What did the King say to Haman after he was finished?
13. Did he obey the King?

Apply-

Even a King wants to be grateful for things people have done for them. He wanted something creative to do. What have you done creatively to thank those that have done for you?

Think of one person and a creative way to express your thanks for a double bonus!

Write it here!

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____ Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Ephesians 5:20

Read – Selected Passages

Examine –

1. Read Matt 20:1-16. What can you learn about thankfulness from this passage? (there are at least 3)

2. Read Luke 7:36-47. What can you learn about thankfulness from this passage? (there are at least 3)

Apply-

Put yourself in these stories. Which story best describes your attitude about life?

How does it need to change?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____ Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Ephesians 5:20

Read – Luke 17:11-19

Examine –

1. Where was Jesus headed?
2. Where did He pass through?
3. Who met Him at a certain village?
4. Where were they standing?
5. Why?
6. What two names did they call Him?
7. What did they want from Him?
8. What did Jesus tell them to do?
9. What happened to them as they went?
10. How many of them glorified God?
11. With what kind of voice did he use?
12. What was he?
13. What did Jesus want to know?
14. What had made the man whole?

Apply-

How often do you think about publicly and privately thanking Jesus for what He has done for you?

Most of us ask Him for things all the time and never stop to thank Him for them. When is the last time you thanked God for things like your eyes, feet, nose, hands, breath and so forth?

Will you make that your concentration today?

Also, find one time today to thank God publicly.

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____ Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Ephesians 5:20

Read – Psalms 103:1-5

Examine and Apply-

1. How does the writer want to bless the Lord?
2. What should we not forget?
3. In the first column list the benefit listed in scripture, in the second column put how that applies to you today, in the third column rate how you are in thanking God in this area.

Benefit	Application	My Rate

Prayer _____

Praise _____

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____ Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Ephesians 5:20

Read – selected passages

Examine –

Job 1:21

1. What was Job's attitude about things?
2. Who did he credit with giving him all things?
3. Who had taken them away?
4. What did he say about God?

Philippians 4:10-19

5. What is Paul doing in the 10th verse that you read today?
6. Did Paul desire gifts from them?
7. What had Paul learned in relation to things?
8. How can he have this attitude?
9. In what had they done well?
10. In what city was he that they sent twice to him?
11. Who brought the things to Paul?
12. What were they in God's sight?
13. What was he confident God would do for them?

Apply-

Do you realize that everything you have is God's?

How would you feel if he took it away?

Could you have the attitude of Job?

Could you have Paul's attitude about abounding and suffering?

Ask God to change your attitude about things!

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____ Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Ephesians 5:20

Read – All passages

Examine –

Beside each name, write a creative way to be grateful to these people and set out to do what you write!

Pastor –

Parents –

School Teacher –

Boss –

Best Friend –

Grandparents –

God –

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Character Series

Honesty

Ephesians 4:25

Wherefore putting away lying, speak every man truth with his neighbor: for we are members one of another.

THE THINGS I WANT TO ACCOMPLISH THIS WEEK!!!

I COR. 10:31

Date: _____ Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Ephesians 4:25

Read – Selected passages

God is honesty!

Examine – In the following chart put what you learn about God in the passage that is related to honesty.

Deuteronomy 32:4	
Psalms 25:5	
Psalms 25:10	
Psalms 31:5	
Psalms 33:4	
Psalms 57:10	
Psalms 91:4	
Psalms 100:5	
John 1:14	
John 14:6	
John 15:26	

Apply-

Do you trust God with your life?

Do you trust what He says?

How are you living like you do trust Him?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____ Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Ephesians 4:25

Read – Selected passages

God's Word is honesty!

Examine –

Look up the verse in column one. In column two put what God's Word is called and in column three put what it says in relation to truth.

John 17:17		
Ephesians 6:14		
II Timothy 2:15		
Psalms 19:9		
Psalms 119:160		
Psalms 119:142		

Apply-

In the chart below write how the knowledge of the above truth about God's Word affects you.

John 17:17	
Ephesians 6:14	
II Timothy 2:15	
Psalms 19:9	
Psalms 119:160	
Psalms 119:142	

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____ Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Ephesians 4:25

Read – Selected passages

Our spiritual life is affected by honesty.

Examine and Apply-

As you look up the following verses tell how your spiritual life is affected by this truth. Then show whether you need to work on this area.

	How does this truth affect my spiritual life	Needs work?
Psalms 51:6		
Psalms 145:18		
Proverbs 3:3		
Proverbs 23:23		
John 3:21		
John 4:24		
John 8:32		
John 16:13		
I Peter 1:22		
I John 3:18-19		

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____ Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Ephesians 4:25

Read – Selected passages

Our speech should be honest.

Examine –

Look up the following verse and put the positive things said or that would happen for true speech. In the third column put the negative. **Note: Not every verse will have both.**

	Positives	Negatives
Proverbs 8:7		
Proverbs 12:17		
Proverbs 12:19		
Proverbs 14:25		
Jeremiah 9:5		
Zechariah 8:16		
John 8:44		
Ephesians 4:15		
Ephesians 4:25		

Apply-

In what area of your speech do you most struggle?

How are you trying to get the victory?

Ask God to help you today!

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____ Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Ephesians 4:25

Read – Selected passages

Our speech should be honest.

Examine –

Look up the following verse and put the positive things said or that would happen for true speech. In the third column put the negative. **Note: Not every verse will have both.**

	Positive	Negative
Psalms 19:14		
Psalms 37:30		
Psalms 141:3		
Proverbs 4:24		
Proverbs 10:11		
Proverbs 10:31		
Proverbs 12:6		
Proverbs 13:3		
Proverbs 15:23		
Proverbs 26:28		

Apply-

Has your speech improved since yesterday?

What is your biggest temptation in relation to true speaking? (Exaggeration, lying, etc)

Get some verse to memorize today on this subject and it will help you!

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____ Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Ephesians 4:25

Read – Selected passages

We should be honest in our relationships.

Examine –

After looking up these verses, list how our relationships or those it's talking about can be helped by the truth.

Proverbs 16:6	
Proverbs 20:28	
Proverbs 22:21	
Zechariah 8:16	
I Thessalonians 4:12	
I Peter 2:12	
II John 4	
III John 1	
III John 4	

Apply-

What about the above truths have affected your relationships good or bad?

How can they help you in your future relationships?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today:

Date: _____ Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Ephesians 4:25

Read – Selected passages

We need to be honest in every way!

Examine –

1. Read Acts 6:3. Who needed to be honest in this passage?
2. Read Romans 12:17. What should we provide in front of every man?
3. Read Romans 13:13. How should we walk?

Read II Corinthians 4:2

4. Who wrote this?
5. What have they (the Corinthian believers) renounced?
6. What do they not handle deceitfully?
7. How do they commend themselves to men?
8. Read Proverbs 11:18. If you are deceitful, what does God's Word call you?
9. According to Jeremiah 17:9, what is deceitful?
10. What compares to it in its deceitfulness?

Apply-

As you compare your life and your speech with Scripture, are you an honest person?

Do others see you as being honest?

Will you purpose to be honest in every way right now?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Character Series

Initiative

Romans 12:21

Be not overcome of evil;
but overcome evil with good.

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I COR. 10:31

Date: _____ Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Romans 12:21

Read – Nehemiah 1:1-11

Nehemiah showed initiative in his prayers.

Examine –

1. Who is writing the book?
2. Where is he?
3. What question did Nehemiah ask Hanani?
4. What was the condition of the people?
5. What was the condition of the walls and gates?
6. What was Nehemiah's reaction to these things?
7. To whom did he take his burden?
8. How does he see God?
9. What does he recognize as the reason they are in this mess?
10. What had God promised Moses?
11. If they turned back, what would God do?
12. How had God redeemed His people?
13. To whom did he want God to grant him mercy?
14. What position did he hold?

BONUS: What was this and why was it important? (Document your answer.)

Apply-

When you see a need, what do you do?

When is the last time you cried because of someone else's condition?

Do you run to God for help?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____ Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Romans 12:21

Read – Nehemiah 2:1-8

Nehemiah showed initiative in his request.

Examine –

1. What month is it now?
2. What had he not been before?
3. Since Nehemiah wasn't sick, what did the king say was wrong with him?
4. What was Nehemiah's reaction to this?
Fact: It was a crime punishable by death to be sad in the king's presence!
5. What did Nehemiah say was the reason for his sadness?
6. In the midst of the conversation with the king, what was Nehemiah doing?
7. What did Nehemiah want to do?
8. Who was with the king?
9. What did the king want to know?
10. Would the king let him go?
11. Why did he want letters to the governors?
12. Who was Asaph?
13. Why did Nehemiah want a letter to him?
14. What was the king's reaction to all this?

Apply-

Nehemiah did not just pray, but he put action to his prayers. He took a great chance with his life in asking this of the king. Are you willing to take great chances for something you really believe in?

In what do you really believe?

What chance would you be willing to take?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____ Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Romans 12:21

Read – Nehemiah 2:9-20

Nehemiah showed initiative in his motivation of people.

Examine –

1. Who did the king send with Nehemiah?
2. Who was grieved that Nehemiah had come?
3. Why were they grieved?
4. How long was he there before he revealed his plan to the people?
5. What did he and a few men do one night?
6. Were the walls like he had heard?
7. List several places that he said he went:
8. When Nehemiah began to talk to the people, what two-letter word did he use that put himself in the mess that they were in?
9. What does he challenge them to do and why?
10. What did Nehemiah tell them?
11. What was their response?
12. What kind of work did they think it was?
13. What three guys are opposing Nehemiah?
14. What was their reaction?
15. Who was Nehemiah depending on for help?

Apply-

Nehemiah motivated the people to do a job that needed to be done a long time ago. Can you motivate people to do what is right? Do you?

If not, how could you?

Are you a follower or a leader?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____ Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Romans 12:21

Read – Nehemiah 4:1-23

Nehemiah showed initiative in the face of opposition.

Examine –

1. What three things did Sanballat do when he heard that the wall was built?
2. To whom did he talk?
3. What does he call the Jews?
4. What does Tobiah say about the wall?
5. What does Nehemiah do in the face of this?
6. How much was done?
7. Why was this much done?
8. How many are a part of the opposition now?
9. What did they do?
10. What did Nehemiah do again?
11. What was Judah's problem?
12. According to verse 12, where was the enemy?
13. From then on half the people _____ and the other half _____.
14. In one hand they had a _____ and in the other a _____.
15. How would they communicate with each other?
16. What was the only reason they put off their clothes?

Apply-

It is easy to do right and have initiative when things are right. Nehemiah continued the work no matter what happened to him. Do you have a mind to work?

There is plenty to do. Some of the people were burden-bearers, others were fighters, others were builders. What is your job?

Will you do it?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____ Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Romans 12:21

Read – Nehemiah 6:1-3; 15-19

Nehemiah showed initiative in sticking to the task.

Examine –

1. What was not yet done on the wall?
2. What did they want Nehemiah to do?
3. What were they going to do?
4. What did Nehemiah say he was doing?
5. If he came down, what would have to stop?
6. How long did it take for the wall to be done?
7. When all the enemies heard this what was their reaction?
8. What did they perceive?
9. Was everyone in Judah for Nehemiah?
10. In short, why was some of them not for Nehemiah?
11. What did Tobiah send to Nehemiah?
12. What was the purpose of them?

Apply-

Even among the people Nehemiah was trying to help, there was opposition. Do you stick to tasks that you start?

Would opposition discourage you from doing what is right?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____ Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Romans 12:21

Read – Nehemiah 8:1-18

Nehemiah showed initiative in his spiritual leadership.

Examine –

1. Where were the people gathered?
2. Who brought the book of the Law of Moses?
3. How long did he read?
4. How did the people listen?
5. On what did Ezra stand?
6. What happened when he opened the book?
7. How did they worship the Lord?
8. Not only did they read it but in verse 8 the people also _____.
9. What did the people do when they heard the Law?
10. What did Nehemiah say they should do?
11. What is our strength?
12. According to verse 13 what did they do on the second day?
13. According to verse 18 how many days did they study the Law?

Apply-

Nehemiah met the needs of the people physically, but he also provided for their needs spiritually. Can you think of some way you can show initiative and meet people's needs spiritually?

Remember, just meeting physical needs is not good enough.

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Romans 12:21

Read – Review

Examine and Apply-

Complete the following chart:

Ways Nehemiah showed initiative	How did he do it?	How can you improve in this area?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today:

Character Series

Joyfulness

Psalms 100:1-2

Make a joyful noise unto the LORD, all ye lands. Serve the LORD with gladness: come before his presence with singing.

THE THINGS I WANT TO ACCOMPLISH THIS WEEK!!!

I COR. 10:31

Date: _____ Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Psalms 100:1-2

Read – Selected passages

Examine –

1. According to Nehemiah 8:10, what is our strength?
2. What do we know about joy according to Galatians 5:22?
3. According to Job 31: 24-28, in what would we be wrong to rejoice?
4. According to Job 31: 29, in what should we not rejoice?
5. In relation to this what does Proverbs 24:17 say?
6. In Romans 12:15 with whom are we to rejoice?
7. Why was Paul rejoicing in Philippians 1:18?
8. According to I Thessalonians 5:16, how often are we to rejoice?
9. What kind of rejoicing would be evil according to James 4:16?
10. In I Peter 4:13 and James 1:2, in what are we told to rejoice?
11. According to John 16:22, when can no man take our Joy?
12. Read Proverbs 15:13. What makes a cheerful countenance?
13. According to Proverbs 15:15, what will those who have a merry heart always have?

Apply-

Have you thought about joy and rejoicing giving strength?

Being joyful is just like taking medicine (Proverbs 17:22). Will you take some medicine today?

Will you give some away?

Ask God to restore your broken Spirit!

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____ Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Psalms 100:1-2

Read – Selected Passages

Examine –

Look up the verse in column one. In column two put why we should be joyful.

Psalms 5:11	
Psalms 113:9	
Psalms 126:5	
Ecc. 9:9	
Luke 2:10-11	
Luke 15:7&10	
John 16:24	
Hebrews 12:11	
James 1:9	
James 1:2	
I Samuel 2:1	
Psalms 9:14	
Psalms 31:7	
I Corinthians 13:6	
Psalms 119:162	
Psalms 97:1	
Psalms 89:16	

Apply-

Today, spend time rejoicing to God in some of these that you have!

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Psalms 100:1-2

Read – Selected Passages

Examine –

Look up the verse in column one. In column two put where or how we find joy.

Psalms 16:11	
Psalms 5:11	
Psalms 40:16	
Psalms 63:7	
Psalms 85:6	
Proverbs 12:20	
Proverbs 21:15	
Ecc. 2:26	
Matthew 25:21&23	
John 15:11	
Romans 5:11	
Philippians 2:2	
Philippians 3:1	
I John 1:4	

Apply-

If you do not have true joy, what of the above things is missing in your life?

Can you begin to fix them today?

How will you do this?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____ Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Psalms 100:1-2

Read – Acts 16:19-30

Examine –

1. Who is this story about?
2. Where were they brought after capture?
3. What was the accusation?
4. What was the magistrate's command?
5. How many stripes did they lay on them?
6. Where did they put them?
7. Where did the jailer put them?
8. In what were their feet put?
9. What time of night is it when we see the next part of the story?
10. What came on the prison?
11. What opened to them?
12. What was the jailer going to do to himself?
Bonus: Why would he have done this? Please give your source.
13. Did the prisoners leave?
14. What did the jailer want to know from them?

Apply-

This was a very unfair situation. Verses 37-38 prove this. Paul and Silas just had a joyful spirit anyway. How would you have been in this situation?

Do you think that Christians' bad attitudes drive people away from the gospel?

What can you do to change this?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____ Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Psalms 100:1-2

Read – Selected passages

Examine –

Look up the verse in column one. In column two put who can have true Joy.

Psalms 32:11	
Psalms 33:1	
Proverbs 23:24	
Isa. 29:19	
Romans 15:10	
Psalms 67:4	

Look up the verse in column one. In column two put who has Joy.

Psalms 65:13	
Psalms 96:12	
Isa. 49:13	
Hebrews 12:2	

Apply-

Since you, as a Christian, CAN have true Joy, the question would be DO you have it?

What has robbed you of it?

If it were sin, then Psalms 51 would be a good place for you to go for help!

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Psalms 100:1-2

Read – Selected Passages

Examine –

Look up the verse in column one. In column two put who is commanded to Rejoice.

I Chronicles 16:31	
Psalms 48:11	
Psalms 96:11-12	
Psalms 149:2	
Zech. 2:10	
Matt. 5:12	
Phil. 4:4	
Revelation 19:7	

Apply-

If I'm commanded to rejoice, the question is do I do it?

How often do I rejoice?

Where do I rejoice?

If I don't rejoice, will I confess it as sin today?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today:

Date: _____ Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Psalms 100:1-2

Read – Review

Examine and Apply -

Choose a Bible character that you think demonstrated the character quality of Joyfulness. Tell how they did it and under what circumstances. Then tell why this means so much to you.

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Character Series

Love

I Corinthians 13:3

And though I bestow all my goods to feed *the poor*, and though I give my body to be burned, and have not charity it profiteth me nothing.

THE THINGS I WANT TO ACCOMPLISH THIS WEEK!!!

I COR. 10:31

Date: _____ Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – I Corinthians 13:3

Read – I Corinthians 13:1-7

Examine –

Note: The word charity means love.

1. What is this chapter about?
2. Without love our speech becomes what?
3. What gift may he have?
4. What may he understand?
5. What kind of faith does he have?
6. What does he do with his goods?
7. What does he do with his body?
8. Without love what does it profit him?
9. List the 14 qualities of love seen in this passage.

Apply-

Which of these qualities do you want most in others?

Why?

Which do you struggle to have the most?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today:

Date: _____ Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – I Corinthians 13:3

Read – I Corinthians 13:8-13

Examine –

1. What never fails?
2. What will fail?
3. What will cease?
4. What will vanish away?
5. When will the “part” be done away?

Note: The thing that will come that is to be perfect is the Word of God.
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6. When did you speak, think, and understand as a child?
7. When did you put away childish things?
8. What is it like now when you look?
9. What 3 things abide?
10. What is the greatest of these?

Apply-

We cannot understand all things but we hope, we have faith, and we love. All of these are great, but God says the greatest of these is love. Who or what do you love?

How do you express it?

Is your love unceasing or just when things go your way?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____ Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – I Corinthians 13:3

Read – I John 4:7-13

Examine –

1. To whom is this passage addressed?
2. What should we show to one another?
3. What is of God?
4. You will _____ if you _____ God.
5. If you do not love, what do you not know?
6. How did God show us his love?
7. Who first loved?
8. Define Propitiation –

9. Why should we love one another?
10. Who has no man seen?
11. How is God's love perfected in us?
12. What is an evidence that we are His?

Apply-

If loving others demonstrates you are saved, would your friends and family know you are saved?

If you don't love, then you are not saved. Are you saved?

How is that demonstrated?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____ Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – I Corinthians 13:3

Read – I John 4:14-21

Examine –

1. Why did the Father send the Son?
2. What is another evidence of salvation?
3. What do we know and believe?
4. _____ is love.
5. If we dwell in God, we also dwell in _____.
6. Why is our love made perfect?
7. What is not in love?
8. What does perfect love cast out?
9. What does fear have?
10. Why do we love Him?
11. If you say you love God but hate your brother, what are you?
12. Why is this true?
13. What commandment do we have from Him?

Apply-

How can you demonstrate God's love today to the following people:

Parents –

Siblings –

Friend –

Coworker –

Enemy –

Plan to do these today!

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____ Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – I Corinthians 13:3

Read – Matthew 5:43-48

Examine –

1. Who should you love?
2. Who should you hate?
3. What does God say about your enemies?
4. Beside each word put how you should respond when people do this to you:
Curse –
Hate –
Despitefully use you –
5. What rises on the evil and the good?
6. On whom does he send rain?
7. Who loves those who love back?
8. Who salutes those who salute back?
9. What is the point of this?
10. What should we be?
11. Why?

Apply-

We typically give and do to those who give and do for us. When is the last time you did something for someone with no possible thing to come back to you?

Would you purpose to do something today to someone who can not benefit you?

What will it be?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____ Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – I Corinthians 13:3

Read – Selected passages

Examine –

Look up the following verses and put what you learn about love in the blank.

Romans 12:9	
Romans 12:10	
Romans 13:10	
Galatians 5:22	
Hebrews 13:1	
John 13:34-35	
John 14:15	

Apply-

Write how you will implement one of the above things today:

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____ Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – I Corinthians 13:3

Read – John 15:9-17

Examine –

1. How did Jesus love?
2. In what were they to continue?
3. How can you abide in His love?
4. What has Jesus kept?
5. In what has He abided?
6. Why did He speak these things?
7. What is His commandment to us?
8. What is the greatest form of love?
9. How can we be His friends?
10. Why does He call them friends instead of servants?
11. Why has He chosen and ordained us?
12. How do we get what we ask?
13. What command does He repeat?

Apply-

What an enormous command He gave us. We are to love as He loved. How can you best do this?

All of us need improvement in this area. Ask God today to teach you to love as He loved.

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Character Series

Loyalty

John 15:13

Greater love hath no man than this,
that a man lay down his life for his friends.

THE THINGS I WANT TO ACCOMPLISH THIS WEEK!!!

I COR. 10:31

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – John 15:13

Read – II Kings 2:1-14

Examine –

1. Who was going to be taken?
2. How would he be taken?
3. Where were they?
4. What did Elijah want him to do?
5. Did Elisha stay?
6. Where did they go next?
7. What did the prophets say to Elisha?
8. Where would they go next?
9. Where was the 2nd set of prophets?
10. Where were they going next?
11. How did Elijah divide the waters?
12. What did Elijah want to know from Elisha?
13. For what did he ask?
14. What did he need to do in order to get his request?
15. What did he take that fell from Elijah?
16. Was he able to part Jordan with it?

Apply-

Elisha served Elijah for years as a servant. He remained loyal even in following him. The result was a great ministry. How are you either a fair-weather friend or loyal friend?

Do you think this will have a long-range effect on you?

Ask God to teach you the benefits of loyalty today.

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today:

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – John 15:13

Read – Jeremiah 35:1-11

Examine –

1. Where was he to go?
2. Where was he to bring them?
3. What was he to offer them?
4. In what chamber were they?
5. What did Jeremiah want them to do?
6. What was their short answer?
7. Why would they not do this?
8. What else did their father tell them not to do?
9. In what were they living?
10. Who was their father?
11. Who invaded the land?
12. Where did they go?

Apply-

The Rechabites obeyed their father's command and were loyal to their families. It would have been difficult not to do what a man of God telling you to do. Are you loyal to your father and mother no matter what others say?

Can you list one time you have been loyal to your father?

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Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – John 15:13

Read – Jeremiah 35:12-19

Examine –

1. What came to Jeremiah?
2. What two names does God use for himself?
3. Who was he to tell?
4. As a matter of review, what had the Rechabites done?
5. What was God's point?
6. What had God sent?
7. What 3 things were they to do?
8. If they did this, what would happen?
9. Had they done it?
10. What would God bring upon them?
11. God spoke and called but they _____.
12. What would the Rechabites reward?

Apply-

Can you imagine God promising Godly people in your line forever? Obedience and loyalty to your authorities could produce this. God used them as examples. How are you an example?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – John 15:13

Read – II Samuel 15:1-9

Examine –

1. Who is this story about?
BONUS: Give a description of Absalom up to this point.
2. Where did he sit?
3. What did he do there?
4. In verse 4 what “seed” was Absalom planting in the minds of people?
5. What did he say he would do?
6. What did he not allow them to do?
7. What did he do instead?
8. What did he do with the hearts of the men of Israel?
9. How old was Absalom in verse 9?
10. What did he want to do?
11. Did the king grant him permission?
12. Did he go there?

Tomorrow we will find out what he did there.

Apply-

Absalom used his position to be disloyal to his father. He used a position he could only have gotten because of his dad. Do you use positions to gain unfair advantages?

How could people do this today?

How could you?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – John 15:13

Read – II Samuel 15:10-37

Examine –

1. What did Absalom send all over the kingdom?
2. What would they hear?
3. What would they proclaim?
4. How many men went from Jerusalem?
5. Did they know what was happening?
6. How does the Bible describe the conspiracy?
7. What did David decide to do?
8. What was the servant's attitude?
9. How many men went before him?
10. What man was loyal to David in verses 19-22?
11. Who was loyal in verses 24-29?
12. What did David want them to do for them in the city?
13. Who was with the conspirators?
BONUS: Only one answer is right . . . Who was he?
(It is something significant. A relative and may explain why)
14. Who was loyal in verses 32 – 37?
15. To whom was he to pass information?

Apply-

David surely had some loyal people around him. Which of the ones loyal to him would you have liked to have been and why?

Is it easy for you to be loyal?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today:

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – John 15:13

Read – II Samuel 20:1-13

Examine –

*Read II Samuel 17:25 as background for this story. Note: He led the rebel forces.

1. Who is now leading a second rebellion?
2. Who does David want to lead his army now?
3. What was he to do?
4. How long did he have?
5. Did he get back in time?
6. Who did David now ask to be in charge?
BONUS: Why was Joab not in charge?
7. Who went with him?
8. Who met them at the great stone?
9. Where was it located?
10. What came out as Joab approached him?
11. What move of affection did Joab do?
12. What did Amasa not notice?
13. Where did he strike him?
14. What did they do with his body?
15. What did all the people do?

Apply-

Amasa lost the 1st battle because they waited too long. He lost his life the second time because he didn't listen to the king. You show your loyalty by simple obedience. Do you have simple obedience to authorities?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse- John 15:13

Read – Review

Examine –

In the chart below, put in column 2 whether the person was loyal or not. In column 3, write what the results were.

	Loyal?	Results
Elisha		
Rechabites		
Absalom		
Amasa		
*Jesus' Disciples		

*Note: we did not study this one but think.

Apply-

Choose an example above. Write how it could have been different and what you would have done.

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today:

Character Series

Meekness

II Corinthians 3:18

But we all, with open face beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord,
are changed into the same image from glory to glory,
even as by the Spirit of the Lord.

THE THINGS I WANT TO ACCOMPLISH THIS WEEK!!!

I COR. 10:31

Date: _____ Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – II Corinthians 3:18

Read – Selected passages

Examine –

In the first column look up the verse, in the second column read the question, in the third column answer the question.

Numbers 12:3	Who was very meek?	
Numbers 12:3	How did his meekness compare to others?	
Ps. 22:26	What are the advantages of being meek?	
Ps. 25:9	What are the advantages of being meek?	
Ps. 37:11	What are the advantages of being meek?	
Ps. 76:9	What are the advantages of being meek?	
Ps. 147:6	What are the advantages of being meek?	
Ps. 149:4	What are the advantages of being meek?	
Isa. 29:19	What will the meek increase?	
Matt. 5:5	What are the advantages of being meek?	
Gal. 5:22-23	What is meekness?	

Apply-

Moses led a lot of people out of the wilderness. These people were constantly griping and complaining. He needed meekness as a character quality. With all these advantages that we see above, do you want to have meekness?

If yes, ask God to show you this week how to get it. Contact your pastor or a mentor and tell him that you asked God to show you. He can pray for you as well.

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____ Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – II Corinthians 3:18

Read – Selected passages

Examine –

1. In the first column read the verse(s). In the second column put what God teaches you in relation to meekness.

Matthew 11:29	
Matthew 21:5	
II Corinthians 10:1	

2. Based upon what you know about Jesus, would you say that meekness equals weakness?
3. According to Zephaniah 2:3, what two things are we to seek?
4. Who was Jesus to preach to, according to Isaiah 61:1-3?
5. In Amos 2:6-8 God says that there are four things for which He will punish them. In relation to our study what is one of those things?

Apply-

If we are to be like Jesus and He was meek, we should be also. How have you been seeking it?

Are you walking in the way of the meek?

By the end of the week you will know exactly what that means.

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____ Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – II Corinthians 3:18

Read – Selected passages

Examine –

1. Choose the definitions that best fit meekness by putting a check by them. There will be more than one.

_____ Patient and mild

_____ Poor, needy

_____ Gentleness

_____ Absolute surrender to God

_____ Mildness of disposition

_____ Gentleness of spirit

_____ Humility

Meekness toward God is that disposition of spirit in which we accept His dealings with us as good, and therefore without disputing or resisting. In the Old Testament, the meek are those wholly relying on God rather than their own strength to defend them against injustice. Thus, meekness toward evil people means knowing God is permitting the injuries they inflict, that He is using them to purify His elect, and that He will deliver His elect in His time. (Isaiah 41:17, Luke 18:1-8) Gentleness or meekness is the opposite to self-assertiveness and self-interest. It stems from trust in God's goodness and control over the situation. The gentle person is not occupied with self at all. This is a work of the Holy Spirit, not of the human will. (Galatians 5:23)

2. According to I Corinthians 10:1, what two discipline options could Paul use with them?
3. What would you want used on you?
4. According to Colossians 3:12, what are we to put on?
5. What are we to pursue according to I Timothy 6:11?

Apply-

For us to strive towards meekness is no longer an option, but it is a command in these Scriptures. Will you surrender to God in this area?

What are you willing to do to pursue Meekness?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____ Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – II Corinthians 3:18

Read – Selected passages

Examine –

Read Galatians 6:1.

1. If we are spiritual what are we to do?
2. In what spirit are we to do this?
3. Why are we to have this spirit?

Read II Timothy 2:25.

4. How is the servant of the Lord supposed to instruct others?
5. Why would we do this?

Read Ephesians 4:1-2.

6. How are we to walk?
7. We are to do this with _____ and _____.

Read Titus 3:1-2.

8. What are some things Titus was to put in their minds?

9. What particularly were we to show all men?

Apply-

The idea in the passages today is that we are to deal with others in a meek way. We are to deal with them in discipline, everyday life, teaching, and in our personal walk.

Do you deal with people in a meek way?

Are you willing to?

Can you list 10 ways you could do that?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____ Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – II Corinthians 3:18

Read – Selected passages

Examine –

Read James 1:21

1. What are we to lay aside?
2. Note: The word superfluity means abundance.
3. What are we to receive?
4. How are we to receive it?
5. What is it able to do?

Read James 3:13

6. If you are a wise and knowledgeable person, what will you show?
7. How will you show it?

Read I Peter 3:1-4

8. With what is this passage dealing?
9. What kind of spirit is a lady to have?
10. What is this in the sight of God?

Read I Peter 3:15

11. What should you always be ready to do?
12. How should you do this?

Apply-

We learn four things today:

- We receive the Word with meekness.
- Ladies are to have meekness.
- We show our works with meekness.
- We all are to answer with meekness.

This is such an important subject. It eliminates loud, boisterous women and cocky Christians.
How do you receive God's Word?

How do you answer others about your spiritual life?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____ Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – II Corinthians 3:18

Read – Selected passages

Examine –

Below you will find the definitions from day 3. (You should have checked all the definitions on that day by the way.) I would like you to match the Scripture story with the definition that best fits. These are all about Moses. In the last column, rate how you do in this category on a scale of 1-10.

	Patient and mild	A. Numbers 11:10-15	
	Humility	B. Deuteronomy 34:1-12	
	Poor, needy	C. Exodus 33:12-16	
	Absolute surrender to God	D. Exodus 14:11-14	
	Mildness of disposition, gentleness of spirit	E. Numbers 12:1-9	
	Gentleness	F. Exodus 4:18-20	

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____ Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – II Corinthians 3:18

Read – Your choice

Examine –

Think of a Bible story that demonstrated the character quality of meekness. Find the story and write the passage here. Tell how it demonstrates meekness and why you chose it. [Don't choose Moses or Jesus.]

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Character Series

Obedience

Hebrews 13:17

Obey them that have the rule over you, and submit yourselves: for they watch for your souls, as they that must give account, that they may do it with joy, and not with grief: for that *is* unprofitable for you.

THE THINGS I WANT TO ACCOMPLISH THIS WEEK!!!

I COR. 10:31

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Hebrews 13:17

Read – Selected passages

Examine –

Look up the following verses and put whom you are to obey. In the next column put some benefits of obeying those authorities.

Hebrews 13:17		
Ephesians 6:1-3 Colossians 3:20		
Romans 13:1-6		
Ephesians 6:5-8		
Titus 2:5 Ephesians 5:24		

Apply-

With which one of these do you have the most trouble?

Why?

Does it matter what kind of authority they are? (i.e. – mean, wicked, kind)

Are you obedient?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____ Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Hebrews 13:17

Read – Selected passages

Examine –

Look up the following verse and put what we are to obey. In the last column put why or what benefit you will have.

John 14:23-24		
Luke 6:46-49		
Joshua 1:7-8		
Exodus 19:4-6		
Acts 5:29-32		
Romans 10:16		
Galatians 3:1		
Galatians 5:7		
Hebrews 5:9		
Hebrews 11:8-10		
I Peter 1:22		

Apply-

This is a pretty impressive list of benefits. A lot of these had to do with God's Word. Do you obey the Bible?

Do you know what it says?

Will you ask God to teach you what it says and then to help you obey it?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Hebrews 13:17

Read – Selected passages

Examine –

Look up the following verses and put who obeyed/did not obey and what the results were.

Genesis 26:1-5		
Exodus 5:2		
Deuteronomy 11:27-28		
Deuteronomy 21:18-21		
Joshua 5:6		
Joshua 22:1-6		
Proverbs 30:17		
Zephaniah 3:1-4		
Matthew 8:27		
Mark 1:27		
Romans 10:16		
Galatians 3:1		
Galatians 5:7		

Apply-

Are you in the “obey” or “not obey” category?

What will the results be for you?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today:

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Hebrews 13:17

Read – I Samuel 15:1-13

Examine –

1. Who is talking here?
2. What had God told him to do?
3. What people was he now to destroy?
4. What of them was he to destroy?
5. How many men did he have to go fight?
6. Who did Saul let go that were in the city?
7. Why did he let them go?
8. From where to where did he slay them?
9. Who did he take alive?
10. What else did they spare?
11. What did they destroy?
12. Who told Samuel that Saul had disobeyed God?
13. What was his reaction?
14. Where did Samuel meet Saul?
15. What did Saul say he had done?

Apply-

What is partial obedience?

Had he obeyed all God told him to do?

Have you obeyed all you know to do?

Do you obey when it is easy (vile and refuse stuff) but don't when it's hard (good stuff)?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today:

Date: _____ Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Hebrews 13:17

Read – I Samuel 15:14-23

Examine –

Reread yesterday's section.

1. What did Samuel hear?
2. Who did Saul say had brought them?
3. Why had they brought them?
4. Was this what God had said? (vs. 3)
5. What was he like when he was made King?
6. What does God call the Amalekites?
7. What did Saul not do?
8. What did he do in relation to the spoil?
9. What does Saul still contend?
10. Who else had he brought?
11. Who does he blame?
Note: Remember who is the leader.
12. What is better than offerings and sacrifice?
13. What is as the sin of witchcraft?
14. What is stubbornness?
15. What would be his consequence?

Apply-

Sacrifice was an outward thing, but obedience is an inward thing. God would rather have the inward than the outward. Are you outwardly obedient but inwardly disobedient?

Do you make excuses for your sin?

Remember that you can choose your sin but you cannot choose your consequences!

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____ Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Hebrews 13:17

Read – Romans 6:11-17

Examine –

1. To what should we consider ourselves dead?
2. What should not reign in us?
3. Why?
4. To what should we not yield?
5. To what should we yield?
6. What should not have dominion over us?
7. What are we under?
8. Does that give us a license to sin?
9. When you yield yourselves to something to obey it what are you to that something?
10. What are your two choices?
Note: It is obvious that we will obey something. The choice is ours!
11. What were we?
12. What have we obeyed?
13. From where have we obeyed it?

Note: Again it is a heart issue!

Apply-

To what are you yielding?

For what are you being used?

Do you want to change that?

God can do it. Yield to Him today!

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____ Time: _____

Weekly memory verse - Hebrews 13:17

Read – Review

Examine and Apply

1. What do you think would be the hardest thing someone could ask you to do?
2. Do you have to submit to imperfect authorities?
3. List some people to whom you have to submit?

4. List some benefits to submitting?

5. Can you think of one Biblical example of someone submitting and the result was great?
6. List who and what were the circumstances.

7. Can you think of one Biblical example of someone not submitting and the result was bad?
8. List who and what the circumstances were.

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Character Series

Punctuality

Psalms 90:12

So teach us to number our days, that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom.

THE THINGS I WANT TO ACCOMPLISH THIS WEEK!!!
I COR. 10:31

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Psalms 90:12

Read – Ecclesiastes 3:1-9

Examine –

1. What does everything have?
2. What does every purpose have?

In the following columns put the contrast of things. The first one has been given!

A time to be born	A time to die

Bonus: Can you give a Bible answer to the question in verse 9?

Apply-

What is most striking about this list to you?

Which one is the hardest for you to accept?

Which one is the most painful for you to deal with?

God is always our comfort!

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Psalms 90:12

Read – Selected passages

Examine –

Today we are going to be looking at time in relation to prophecy.

1. According to Galatians 4:4, when was Jesus birth?
2. Of what was He made?
3. Under what was He made?
Note: Jesus came at just the right time!
4. According to Jude 18, what will be in the last times?
5. How will they walk?
6. Read I Thessalonians 5:1-2. What did he not need to write about?
7. What did they already know?
8. According to I Timothy 4:1, who is speaking?
9. What three things will happen in latter times?

10. According to II Timothy 3:1, what will come in the last days?

11. According to II Timothy 4:3, what will people not endure?

Apply-

As we will learn all week, timing is very important. Jesus came the first time on time, and He will come the second time on time. We can look at a clock and tell time, but no one knows what God's clock is saying. Are you ready if He comes today?

Are you one of the scoffers of the last times?

He will come on time. We just don't know when that is. Will you be ready????

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today:

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Psalms 90:12

Read – Selected Passages

Examine –

Today we are going to be looking at time in relation to judgment.

Read I Corinthians 4:5

1. What should we not do before time?
2. When is that time?
3. What will he do when he comes? (2 things)
4. What will all men's ultimate view of God be?

Read I Timothy 6:19

5. What should we lay in store?
6. Against what should we do this?

Read I Peter 1:17.

7. To whom should we call?
8. What will God do to all men?
9. How should we pass our time here?

Read Revelation 11:18

10. What time is it?
11. To whom will He give reward? (3 groups)

Apply-

Are you ready for the judgment of God? This is a timed event, and it is important that you be ready on time. How are you using your time in light of this judgment?

What do you think the judgment will be like for you, up until now?

How can you use your time to make your judgment experience better?

Could you stand before Him unashamed? You will soon stand before Him!

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Psalms 90:12

Read – Selected Passages

Examine –

Today we are going to be looking at time in relation to living.

Look up the following verses and put in the other column what it is time to do.

Romans 13:11	
II Corinthians 6:2	
II Timothy 4:6	
Psalms 34:1	
Psalms 62:8	
Psalms 119:164	
Proverbs 17:17	
II Timothy 4:2	

Apply-

How do you do in these areas?

If it is time for us to do them, we should be doing them. Which one is your weakest one?

What can you do to strengthen it?

Which is your strong point?

What can you do to keep it strong?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today:

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Psalms 90:12

Read – Selected Passages

Examine –

Today we are going to be looking at time in relation to living.

1. According to Ephesians 5:16, what should we do with time?
2. Why?
3. According to Colossians 4:5, how should we walk?
4. To whom should we walk this way?
5. What should we do with time?

Note: The word “redeem” means to buy up or seize the opportunity!

6. According to Hebrews 11:25, how long does sin’s pleasure last?
7. According to Hebrews 4:16, to where should we come boldly?
8. What will we obtain?
9. What will we find?
10. What will these things do for us?
11. According to I Peter 5:6, how can we be exalted?
12. When will this happen?

Apply-

Are you making the most of your opportunities?

What are you doing for God that will count for eternity?

Do you take the time to build a good testimony in front of others?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Psalms 90:12

Read – Numbers 14

Examine –

Our main thought today is: does it matter when we do what God wants us to do?

Background: The spies have gone into the land that God has told them to take. They are now giving their report. Two men (Joshua and Caleb) believe God and want to go into the land. 10 men do not believe God and are telling the people how impossible it is to conquer the land.

1. What did the people do all night?
2. In verse 4 what did they want to do?
3. What did Joshua and Caleb say the people were doing in verse 9?
4. What did the people want to do with Joshua and Caleb?
5. What did God want to do with the people?
6. What does Moses do for the people in verse 13-20?
7. Does God listen?
8. What does God say, in verse 23, about the land?
9. What did God tell them to do on the next day?
10. What did the people say in verse 40?
11. In verse 41-42, what did Moses say would happen to them?
12. According to verse 45, what happened?

Apply-

The timing of this attack was everything. If the people had gone 24 hours earlier, God would have won a victory for them. We must do God's will in God's time.

Are you late in something you know God wants you to do?

Are you dragging your feet?

This is SIN!

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse - Psalms 90:12

Read – You Choose

Examine and Apply -

Choose an account in the Bible in which timing was critical. Read it and explain why timing was critical and the possible results if things had been different.

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Character Series

Responsibility

Romans 14:12

So then every one of us shall give
account of himself to God.

THE THINGS I WANT TO ACCOMPLISH THIS WEEK!!!

I COR. 10:31

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Romans 14:12

Read – II Samuel 6:1-15

Examine –

1. Who was the king at this time?
2. What were they going to do?
3. How were they going to do this?
4. According to Numbers 7:9, how was it to be carried?
5. Who was in charge of the new cart?
6. Who was before the ark?
7. What happened to the ark that made Uzzah touch it?
8. What did God do to Uzzah?
9. What was David's reaction?
10. Where did they put the ark?
11. How long was it there?
12. What happened to the house of Obededom?
13. How did they bring the ark this time?
14. How far did they go before they offered sacrifices?
15. They brought the ark with _____ and the sound of the _____.

Apply-

This is a good example of doing good things in God's way. The ark should have been moved, but it needed to be moved God's way not man's way. One man died and David was displeased, but he could have done things God's way. When it comes to responsibility, do you do it the right way?

Are you doing good things the wrong way?

Ask God to teach you His way!!!

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today:

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Romans 14:12

Read – I Samuel 15:1-13

Examine –

1. Who was giving the instructions?
2. To whom was he giving the instructions?
3. What had God remembered?
4. What was Saul to do?
5. What are the eight things God specifically asks them to destroy?

6. How many men went with Saul?
7. What group was dwelling with the Amalekites?
8. Why did they let them go?
9. Who did he take alive?
10. What animals did they save?
11. They did destroy everything that was _____ and _____.
12. Who told Samuel about this?
13. What did Samuel do all night?
14. What did Saul say he had done?

Apply-

Incomplete obedience is not obedience. Saul's responsibility was to do what he was told.

Did he really obey?

Do you obey what you want to and leave the rest?

Can others count on you to do the job as they described?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Romans 14:12

Read – I Samuel 15:14-23

Examine –

Go back and review yesterday's study.

1. When Saul says he obeyed what does Samuel say?
2. On whom did Saul blame it?
3. Why had they brought them?
Thought: Remember two days ago. Doing a good thing in the wrong way!
4. What had God done for Saul?
5. God had given him a simple command; what was it?
6. What does Samuel want to know?
7. What does Saul restate to Samuel?
8. In the same statement what did he say he had brought back?
9. Who was their leader?
10. What is above sacrifices and offerings?
11. Obedience is better than _____.
12. What does Samuel call his lack of obedience?
13. What does he call Stubbornness?
14. What would God do with his kingdom?

Apply-

Are you in rebellion?

Simple disobedience is rebellion!

Saul could not see this and continued to believe he had obeyed. This is when it is the most dangerous for you . . . when you think that there is nothing wrong. How do you think you are spiritually?

If you said, "Really well," you probably have a problem. Ask God to show it to you!

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____ Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Romans 14:12

Read – Selected Passages

Examine –

Look up the following verses and fill in the blanks.

Verse	Who was *faithful	Circumstances they were in
Numbers 12:7		
Deut. 7:9		
I Sam. 2:35		
I Sam. 22:14		
II Chron. 34:12		
Neh. 7:2		
Isaiah 8:2		
Daniel 6:4		
I Cor. 4:17		
Col. 1:7		
Heb. 3:2-5		
I Peter 5:12		

*Faithfulness and responsibility go hand in hand.

Apply-

In which above story would you have had an easy time being faithful?

In which above story would you have had a hard time being faithful?

List an area in your personal life that you struggle to be responsible:

Ask God to help you improve this today.

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Romans 14:12

Read – Selected Passages

Examine –

Look up the following verses and list in the column what faithfulness will do or a benefit of having it.

Proverbs 11:13	
Proverbs 13:17	
Proverbs 14:5	
Proverbs 25:13	
Proverbs 27:6	
Proverbs 28:20	
Proverbs 12:24	
Proverbs 22:29	

Apply-

Do any of these actions describe you? If yes, tell which.

Are you seeing any of these benefits?

Do you consider yourself a responsible person?

How can you improve this in your life?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Romans 14:12

Read – Selected Passages

Examine –

Read Matthew 25:14-30. Can you list five things we learn about faithfulness from this passage?

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.

Read Luke 16:10-12. Can you list three things we learn about faithfulness from this passage?

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

Read Luke 19:12-19. Can you list two things we learn about faithfulness from this passage?

- 1.
- 2.

Read I Corinthians 4:2. What does God require of us?

Apply-

Choose one thing from each of the above list and write below how that will affect you today!

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today:

Date: _____ Time: _____

Weekly memory verse - Romans 14:12

Read – Review

Examine –

Go back and look at day four. In column one put the names of the people we studied. In column two put the definition (listed below) you think best describes their situation. In column three put why you think this is the case.

Name	Definition	Why

1. Using all my energies to fulfill the expectations of those who are counting on me.
2. Completing a task so that it will endure testing.
3. Realizing the importance of the task assigned to us.
4. Turning routine tasks into enjoyable experiences.

Apply-

With which of the definitions do you struggle? 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 Why?

What can you do to improve in this area?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Character Series

Reverence

Ecclesiastes 12:13

Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God,
and keep his commandments:
for this *is* the whole *duty* of man.

THE THINGS I WANT TO ACCOMPLISH THIS WEEK!!!

I COR. 10:31

Date: _____ Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Ecclesiastes 12:13

Read – Read Esther 1-2

Examine –

1. Who is king?
2. How long did the feast last?
3. How long did the shorter feast last?
4. What did the king want Vashti to do?
5. Who did the counselors say she had wronged?
6. What two things did they say would arise? (Verse 18)
7. What would happen to the queen?
8. What would the wives give to their husbands?
9. Did the king like it and did he do it?
10. For what did they look for the king?
11. Where would they be gathered?
12. Who would be in charge of them?
13. What would he choose from this group?
14. What was the name of the Jew that was in the palace?
15. What relation was Esther to the Jew in the palace?
16. What had he commanded Esther about revealing her nationality?
17. Did Esther become Queen?

Apply-

Outward reverence can be demanded, but inward reverence must come from the heart. The men demanded it of their wives. Esther revered what Mordecai told her even though it was hard. How can you reverence those in authority over you?

Will you ask God to help you to learn that this week?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____ Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Ecclesiastes 12:13

Read – Esther 3-4

Examine –

1. Who did the king promote?
2. What did all the people at the gate do in response to Haman?
3. Who did not do this?
4. What was Haman's response to this?
5. What did Haman want to do as a result of this?
6. What did Haman propose to the king?
7. Why did he say they needed to be destroyed?
8. What authority did the king give to him?
9. What was Mordecai's response?
10. What did Esther send to Mordecai?
11. What did Esther want to know?
12. What did Mordecai want her to do for them?
13. What was Esther concerned about?
14. Mordecai said that Esther might have been in the palace for what reason?
15. What were they to do before she went in to the king?
16. What chance was she taking?

Apply-

In this passage we once again see a demand for reverence. That doesn't work. Esther not only revered Mordecai by doing what he said but she also revered the power of the king. Do you reverence the laws of this land?

Would you be willing to disobey them if it were right?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____ Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Ecclesiastes 12:13

Read – Esther 5-6

Examine –

1. What did Esther put on?
2. What happened to Esther?
3. What did Esther want from the King?
4. What did she ask for them to do?
5. What was Haman's reaction to this?
6. What did Haman tell his friends and family?
7. Why did this mean nothing to him?
8. What did the friends suggest he make?
9. Who could not sleep that night?
10. What did the king find in his chronicles?
11. What had been done for Mordecai?
12. Who was in the court?
13. Why was he there?
14. What did Haman think the king was asking?
15. Describe what Haman said should happen to the man?
16. To whom did Haman have to do this?

Apply-

How humiliating this would have been for Haman! He had to honor the very man he despised. God has a way of bringing everything back. Haman had to do what the king commanded because he revered his power.

Has God humbled you?

HE WILL if you don't humble yourself.

The story gets better- wait until tomorrow.

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____ Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Ecclesiastes 12:13

Read – Esther 7

Examine –

1. Who was at the banquet?
2. How much was the king willing to grant to Esther?
3. What did she say would happen to her people?
4. Did anyone know who her people were?
5. What did the king want to know?
6. Who was the enemy?
7. What did she call him?
8. What was Haman's response?
9. Where did the king go?
10. What did Haman do when the king left?
11. When the king returned where was Haman?
12. What did the king assume he was trying to do?
13. What did they do to his face?
14. What did they tell the king about?
15. What was the king's command?

Apply-

How quickly the tables had turned. You can't stand against God's people. If you make fun of someone who is doing right, you had better look out. You might "hang" on your own gallows. How do you treat God's people?

Do you reverence others, or do you despise them?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____ Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Ecclesiastes 12:13

Read – Esther 8

Examine –

1. What had Esther told the king?
2. What did the king give to Mordecai?
3. Whose house was he over?
4. What else did Esther want the king to do?
5. What did the king tell Mordecai he could do?
6. How many provinces were there?
7. Whose authority was behind the writing?
8. How did they get the message out?
9. What were the Jews allowed to do?
10. How did the “posts” ride and why?
11. What was the city’s reaction to Mordecai’s promotion?
12. What was the Jews’ response to the decree?
13. Why did many of the people become Jews?

Apply-

Mordecai is now exalted, and the people reverence him and the king. They reverence the king because of power, and they reverence Mordecai out of respect.

Why do you reverence people?

Does someone have to be perfect for you to reverence them?

Why did the people reverence the Jews?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____ Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Ecclesiastes 12:13

Read – Esther 9-10

Examine –

1. Who helped the Jews?
2. Why did they do this?
3. What was happening to Mordecai?
4. How many died in Shushan the palace?
5. How many sons did Haman have?
6. What happened to them?
7. What did the king want to know from Esther now?
8. What did Esther want from the king?
9. Did the king grant the request?
10. How many were slain the second day?
11. How many died in other places?
12. What did the Jews not touch?
13. How did the Jews treat this day?
14. What did they call these days?
15. What position did Mordecai hold in the kingdom?
16. How did he use his power and influence?

Apply-

Each one of us has power and influence. How are you using it?

Will people reverence the God you serve because of how you live?

Do you reverence the right God?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____ Time: _____

Weekly memory verse - Ecclesiastes 12:13

Read – Review

Examine and Apply-

Complete the chart below:

Read Chapter	Write a Brief Overview	What Did God Teach You?
1-2		
3-4		
5-6		
7		
8		
9-10		

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Character Series

Self-Control

Galatians 5:24-25

And they that are Christ's have crucified the flesh with the affections and lusts. If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit.

THE THINGS I WANT TO ACCOMPLISH THIS WEEK!!!

I COR. 10:31

Date: _____ Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Galatians 5:24-25

Read – Genesis 4:1-8

Examine –

1. Who was their first son?
2. Who was their second son?
3. What was each of their occupations?
4. What did Cain bring to the Lord?
5. What did Abel bring to the Lord?
6. Whose offering did God respect?
7. What was Cain's response?
8. What questions did God ask him?
9. What did God warn would be at his door?
10. What did Cain and Abel do in the field?
11. What did Cain do to his brother?

Apply-

Cain's sacrifice did not shed blood, so God rejected it. Instead of changing his attitude, he decided to get rid of the people who did things God's way. Abel was a conviction to Cain, so he killed him. We are looking at self-control this week. It is obvious but did Cain practice self-control?

Do you get angry with others?

Why do they anger you?

Are you wrong?

Ask God to show you the dangers of a lack of self-control.

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today:

Date: _____ Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Galatians 5:24-25

Read – Genesis 19:30-38

Examine –

1. Who is this story about?
2. What has just happened?
3. Where was he living?
4. Who was living with him?
5. Where did he fear to live?
6. About what were the daughters of Lot concerned?
7. How would they have children?
8. What did they do to their father to get him to do this?
9. Did he even know what he was doing?
10. What happened to both of Lot's daughters?
11. The first-born daughter's son is the father of whom?
12. The second-born daughter's son is the father of whom?

Apply-

Lot showed no self-control in his drinking, and it ultimately led to an incestuous relationship with his daughters. Most of us would agree that this is wicked and hard to believe, but it started several chapters ago when Lot chose to go to Sodom. What choices of self-control could lead to greater things in the future?

Are you practicing some of those things?

Sin always takes you further than you want to go!

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____ Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Galatians 5:24-25

Read – Genesis 25:24-34

Examine –

1. What did Rebekah bear to Isaac?
2. Describe Esau –

3. Describe Jacob –

4. Who did Isaac love?
5. Who did Rebekah love?
6. What did Jacob make?
7. From where was Esau returning?
8. What did Esau want and why?
9. What was his nickname now?
10. What did Jacob want in return for a bowl?
11. What was Esau's logic for selling his birthright?
12. What did Jacob give him?
13. How did Esau feel about his birthright?

Apply-

Jacob should not have demanded so much, but Esau was just thinking about his hunger. Do you really believe that he was going to die?

How do you “sell” valuables for something temporal?

Do you know Esau was hungry again in a few hours? He probably could have gotten food in just a few minutes if he had been patient. Have some self-control when it comes to the “now” wants!

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____ Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Galatians 5:24-25

Read – Genesis 39:1-20

Examine –

1. Who is this about?
2. Where was he now living?
3. Who made Joseph to prosper?
4. What did his master do to him?
5. How much did he trust Joseph?
6. What did the wife of the home ask Joseph to do?
7. Why did Joseph refuse? (2 reasons)

8. How often did this happen?
9. What did she finally do to him?
10. What did he leave and how did he leave?
11. What did she do then to him?
12. Where did Joseph end up?

Apply-

Joseph was in a foreign country that saw nothing wrong with what she was asking him to do. He probably would not have been caught, and yet he resisted. What self-control he had!

It later reaped him some wonderful fruit. Because Joseph was faithful in these things, God made him ruler of Egypt. Based on your self-control, what will God give you to rule?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____ Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Galatians 5:24-25

Read – Joshua 6:1-27

Examine –

1. What city were the Israelites going to conquer?
2. What was the condition of Jericho?
3. What were they to do for the first six days?
4. What were they to do on the seventh day?
5. What would fall down flat?
6. Who led the walk around the city?
7. What had Joshua asked the people not to do?
8. Verses 12 and 15 tell us something about their self-control. What is it?
9. What was the only thing to be kept from the city?
10. What belonged to the Lord?
11. Did the walls fall as God said?
12. Who was saved alive?
13. What did they put into the treasury of the Lord?

Apply-

The people had incredible self-control. They marched around a city 13 times without talking. They rose up very early in the morning. Most of them obeyed Joshua in not taking anything out of the city. We know about Achan in chapter seven and what he did. Could you have been as disciplined as most of them were?

What part would have been hardest for you to do?

Which one do you struggle with now: Getting up early, obeying seemingly dumb commands, or not taking what is not yours?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____ Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Galatians 5:24-25

Read – Daniel 3

Examine –

1. Who is the King?
2. What had they made for him?
3. When the music was played, what was everyone to do?
4. Who did not do it?
5. What was his disposition according to verse 13?
6. Could God deliver the Hebrew children?
7. If He did not, would they obey?
8. How does verse 19 describe him?
9. What did he command?
10. Who was to cast them into the furnace?

Note: Fire is fire! It would not have mattered who put them in or how hot it was. They would have died. He is not thinking clearly and he has lost self-control. It will cost people their lives but not the ones he is thinking.

11. Who died as they approached the fire?
12. How many men had they put into the fire?
13. How many could they see?
14. Who was the fourth one?
15. What was the King's conclusion in verse 29?

Apply-

The King lost his control, and it cost innocent men their lives. The Hebrew children did not lose control, and they gained a testimony. Does your anger cause you to not think clearly? Have you made some stupid decisions in anger?

What were some of them?

I hope you can see the foolishness of those things!

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____ Time: _____

Weekly memory verse - Galatians 5:24-25

Read –

Examine –

Look up the following passages and fill in the chart.

Verse	Person	Self-control or not	Result
II Samuel 6:1-27			
II Samuel 13:1-18			
I Kings 11:1-8			
Proverbs 7:1-23			
Hosea 3:1-5			
Matthew 26:50-51			
Acts 7:54-60			

Apply-

Which of the above people would you most likely resemble and why?

Do you struggle with this same area of self-control?

Find a Bible verse or passage that address this and memorize it!

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Character Series

Wisdom

Proverbs 4:7

Wisdom is the principle thing; therefore get wisdom:
and with all thy getting get understanding.

THE THINGS I WANT TO ACCOMPLISH THIS WEEK!!!

I COR. 10:31

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Proverbs 4:7

Read – Exodus 31:1-7; 35:25-36:4

God gave some wisdom in order to work for Him!

Examine –

Exodus 31:1-7

1. What man had God called?
2. With what had God filled him?
3. In what specific area was he gifted?
4. Who was his helper?
5. What were they making as a whole?

Exodus 35:25-36:4

6. What group is he now talking about?
7. What were they doing?
8. What did the people bring?
9. How did they bring it?
10. Who was in charge of the whole project?
11. Who gave them the wisdom?

Apply-

God gave them the wisdom and then expected them to use it for Him. This is not an unusual request. Of the things that God has given you, what are you using for His glory?

If He gave it to you, doesn't He have the right to ask you to serve Him with it?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today:

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Proverbs 4:7

Read – Selected passages

Examine –

1. According to I Kings 3:28, Why did the people fear the King?
2. Why had God given him wisdom?
3. According to I Kings 4:30, whose wisdom had Solomon exceeded?
Bonus – Why was this significant?
4. According to I Kings 4:34, who came to hear his wisdom?

Read I Kings 10:1-9

5. Who came to visit King Solomon?
6. Why did she come?
7. What did she bring with her?
8. Did Solomon answer her questions?
9. What all did she see?
10. What was her reaction to all this?
11. She had heard some things about him, but what was her assessment?
12. What did she say about those who stood before Him and heard his wisdom?
13. To whom did she give praise for this?

Apply-

If you have wisdom or know of someone who does, do you give God the praise for it?

Once again, we see that God gave this for Solomon to use for God. Are you asking God for wisdom and what will you do with it?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Proverbs 4:7

Read – Selected Passages

Examine –

Match the verses with the phrase that best fits.

	Job 12:12-13	A. Wisdom has great value
	Job 13:5	B. Wisdom can be taught
	Job 28:18	C. Wisdom is departing from evil
	Job 28:28	D. Wisdom was part of creation
	Job 32:7	E. Getting wisdom was the purpose of the book
	Job 33:33	F. God owns wisdom and strength
	Psalms 111:10	G. Fools despise wisdom
	Proverbs 1:2-3	H. Wisdom produces happiness
	Proverbs 1:7	I. Wisdom should be at the top of your list
	Proverbs 3:13	J. Keeping your mouth shut is wisdom
	Proverbs 3:19	K. Wisdom begins at fearing God
	Proverbs 4:7	L. The older you are the more wisdom you should have

Apply-

Choose one of the above facts and write how that can help you today.

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Proverbs 4:7

Read – Selected Passages

Examine –

Match the verses with the phrase that best fits.

	Proverbs 8:11	A. Wisdom and pride don't get along
	Proverbs 8:12	B. Wisdom is better than money
	Proverbs 11:2	C. I can build my family on wisdom
	Proverbs 12:8	D. A woman can be wise
	Proverbs 16:16	E. Nothing compares to wisdom
	Proverbs 24:3	F. Wisdom gives life
	Proverbs 29:3	G. Wisdom affects my countenance
	Proverbs 29:15	H. Wisdom and prudence are friends
	Proverbs 31:26	I. Wisdom is better than physical power
	Eccl. 7:12	J. I get wisdom through discipline
	Eccl. 8:1	K. Having wisdom will please my parents
	Eccl. 9:16-18	L. Wisdom can bring commendation

Apply-

Choose one of the above facts and write how that can help you today.

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Proverbs 4:7

Read – Selected Passages

Examine –

Look up the following verses. In column 2 put who had wisdom. In column 3 put what the circumstances were for the wisdom.

Verse	Who/whom	Circumstances
Daniel 1:17-20		
Matthew 12:42		
*Matthew 12:42		
Acts 6:3		
Acts 6:10		
Revelation 5:12; 7:12		
Deuteronomy 34:9		
Ezra 7:25		

* This is not a mistake there are two in this verse.

Apply-

Can you think of some circumstances for which you would need wisdom?

What are they?

Can you depend on God to give it?

He will if you ask. (James 1:5)

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today:

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Proverbs 4:7

Read – Selected Passages

Examine –

Match the verses with the phrase that best fits.

	Psalms 19:7	A. Wise men don't refuse to learn
	Proverbs 1:5	B. Wise men can be wiser by learning
	Proverbs 8:33	C. Wise men walk with other wise men
	Proverbs 9:8	D. Wise men receive commandments
	Proverbs 9:9	E. Alcohol is unwise
	Proverbs 10:8	F. Wise men listen to counsel
	Proverbs 12:15	G. Wisdom brings strength
	Proverbs 13:20	H. Wise men turn away wrath
	Proverbs 14:35	I. God's Word can make me wise
	Proverbs 20:1	J. Authorities like wise men
	Proverbs 24:5	K. Wise men handle rebuke properly
	Proverbs 29:8	L. Wise men listen

Apply-

Choose one of the above facts and write how that can help you today.

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse - Proverbs 4:7

Read – Review

Examine and Apply-

Write a list of 10 things you learned about wisdom that will personally help you. Put out beside each one how it could help you.

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Character Series

God's Character

Psalm 103:10-12

He hath not dealt with us after our sins;
nor rewarded us according to our iniquities.

For as the heaven is high above the earth,
so great is his mercy toward them that fear him.

As far as the east is from the west,
so far hath he removed our transgressions from us.

THE THINGS I WANT TO ACCOMPLISH THIS WEEK!!!

I COR. 10:31

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Psalm 103:10-12

Read – Psalm 96

Examine –

1. What are we to do?
2. What kind is it to be?
3. How often should we show his salvation?
4. What should we declare to all people?
5. God is _____!
6. What are other gods?
7. What is before him?
8. What should we give to the Lord?
9. How should we give to the Lord?
10. What should rejoice?
11. Why is God coming?
12. With what will he Judge? (2 things)

Apply-

There are at least 7 character qualities about God. List them and put how they are or should be affecting you.

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Psalm 103:10-12

Read – Psalm 103

Examine –

1. God's name is _____.
2. What should we not forget?
3. What does God forget?
4. With what does he satisfy us?
5. What 4 qualities of God are listed in verse 8?

6. How has God not dealt with us?
7. How great is his mercy?
8. How far are our transgressions from him?
9. What does God know about us?
10. What are we? (vs. 14)
11. How long will God's mercy last?

Apply-

List 4 things in verse 5 that have affected you.

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Psalm 103:10-12

Read – Psalm 105:1-5

Examine –

1. To whom should we give thanks?
2. Who else should we tell?
3. What are two ways we can do this?

4. In what should we glory?
5. From where should our rejoicing come?
5. What should we seek?
6. What should we remember?
7. List 10 things he has done for you.

8. Although God doesn't speak out loud to us, what do we have that are His words to us?
9. Have you thanked Him for it lately?

Apply-

Reflect on how the 4 things you listed in #8 have changed you.

ARE YOU READY TO PRAISE GOD PUBLICALLY?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Psalm 103:10-12

Read – Psalm 111

Examine –

1. How will he praise the LORD?
2. Where will he praise Him?
3. How does he describe God's works? (3 things)
4. How long will his righteousness last?
5. The Lord is _____ and full of _____.
6. What does he give us?
7. What has he showed us?
8. What are his commandments?
9. How long will they last?
10. What did he send us?
11. What is his name?
(Do you treat it this way?)
12. What is the beginning of wisdom?

Apply-

There is so much about God. We can't begin to thank Him enough. Write down here how you are applying this passage to you specifically.

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Psalm 103:10-12

Read – Psalm 113

Examine –

1. Who should we praise?
2. Who should praise Him?
3. What should we praise?
4. How long will His name be praised?
5. Where is He to be praised?
6. List at least 6 reasons to praise Him in this passage.

BONUS: What do you think verse 6 is talking about?

Apply-

It is a command to praise Him. Do you?

When was the last time you praised Him to others?

When was the last time you told Him the things you appreciate about Him?

Do so today! Write them here:

If you don't praise Him, it is sin!

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today:

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Psalm 103:10-12

Read – Psalm 138

Examine –

1. How will David praise Him?
2. Why praise His name? (2 reasons)

BONUS: What two things are said to be truth in the Bible? (Give Scriptural support)

3. What has He magnified above His name?
4. What does God do when we call to Him?
5. Where does He strengthen Him?
6. When will the kings praise Him?
7. What is great about the Lord?
8. God respects the _____ but the _____ he pushes far off.
9. What does God do when we are in trouble?
10. What endures forever?

Apply-

How do you treat God's Word? (Be specific)

All the things mentioned in this passage are in God's Word.

SPEND TIME IN IT!!!!

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – Psalm 103:10-12

Read – Psalm 145

Examine –

1. Define Extol –
2. What does it mean when someone is your king?
3. How often will he bless the Lord?
4. What is unsearchable about God?
5. What should we share with our children?
6. Of what will he speak?
7. Of what will they sing?
8. List 5 character qualities of God in verses 8-9.

9. Of what will they talk?

10. What kind of kingdom does he have?

11. What does God satisfy?

12. God's ways are _____ and his works _____.

13. To whom is God nigh?

14. Who does God preserve?

Apply-

If you can't get excited about this passage and knowing God, something is wrong! We learn so much about Him here. Choose one of these things and write a paragraph about how He has demonstrated this to you.

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____
