

**Grow,
Pray,
and
Study Guide.**

Prayers For The Week



Monday: Messiah, lead me. That is my simple prayer: lead me in the right way to bring honor and glory to you. Amen.

Tuesday: Holy God, my life should be full of songs of praise and thanksgiving. Help me to write my own song to you. Lead me in the right way to bring honor and glory to you. Amen.

Wednesday: Adonai, you are my God. You keep me safe from dangers that I don't even see. ILead me in the right way to bring honor and glory to you. Amen.

Thursday: Holy Spirit, it is so hard to forgive someone else. Teach me how to do it. Lead me in the right way to bring honor and glory to you. Amen.

Friday: Jesus, I want to see the world when it finally bends in worship to you. I want to see all of the glory! Lead me in the right way to bring honor and glory to you. Amen.

September 17, 2017

Notes: today I pray



Invite a friend to Sunday School and services on Sunday or Monday! Check in on Facebook.

Study Guide for the Week of September 17, 2017

Monday Sept. 18th (I took time to pray today)

Read: Exodus 14:19-31 People who don't know much about the Old Testament know the story of the Egyptians drowning in the Red Sea. God travelled with all of Israel as they escaped from Egypt. In the pillar of clouds he led his chosen people by day. At night the pillar stood between Egypt's army and Israel. As they approached the sea, I am sure Egypt felt pretty smug because Israel was trapped. But God had other plans. He gave Israel safe passage through the water but allowed the sea to close over Egypt and kill the army.

Question: Can you rest in the promise that God is always with you? If an entire army can be wiped out by God's hand, why should you be afraid?

Tuesday Sept 19th (I took time to pray today)

Read: Psalm 14 The psalmist is very poetic in this obscure passage. Jacob represents all of the people. God did take Israel out of Egypt. Where ever Israel went God was with them; through Judah he gave them a safe place.

Question: Do new things frighten you? Do you feel best when you are in your comfortable place? When you read about what God did for Israel, are you comforted?

Wednesday Sept 20th (I took time to pray today)

Read: Exodus 15:1-11 This is a song of praise and thanksgiving by Moses and all of Israel to honor God and his glory. When the enemies prematurely bragged about their victory, God wiped them out.

Question: Oh, no. She's asking again: How often do you thank God for what he has done for you? What would your song of praise be like?

Thursday Sept 21st (I took time to pray today)

Read: Romans 14:1-12 This passage is full of challenges to us. The over-riding theme is: Who are we to judge how someone lives their faith? Paul emphasizes that anyone who incorporates worship practices into their daily lives as a way to honor God should not be judged. He states that the day one chooses for a holy day, a Sabbath, is important. The importance is that we choose a Sabbath and honor it. There can be no judgement by us here on earth because God will do the final judging. All of earth will acknowledge him.

Question: Do you observe a Sabbath? Is there one day each week spent with God? Sadly, many of us don't; we work through the week, catch up on Saturday, and spend Sunday in church and working. Do you have a Sabbath?

Friday September 22nd (I took time to pray today)

Read: Matthew 18:21-35 The passage starts with "how many times should I forgive another." The rich man represents the Lord and forgives the debtor who, in turn, does not forgive others. The key is that whatever we do is how we are going to be judged.

Question: Why do we, as humans, feel worthy of being a judge? How can we step up and demonstrate to the world what it is to be the forgiver?

Study is the key to success in everything we do. We don't accomplish anything without learning. It is imperative that every one of us take advantage of the opportunities we have to study and go deep into the Word of God. There are classes and study opportunities open and others coming up. Please join us.

See You Sunday Morning at 9:30 am in Sunday School!

