

**St. John's
Bible Study
2024 -Verses**

January 2024

 **CSI Almanac – 1st January 2024, Monday**

Morning

Zephaniah 3: 14 – 20

Psalms 136

Romans 5: 1 – 11

Luke 13: 1 – 9

Evening

Joel 2: 23 – 27

Revelation 3: 7 – 13

New Year (Covenant Day)

GOD'S CONTINUING ACT OF GRACE

(Feast of Circumcision)

Collect:

GOD, of the covenant, Who, in the continuing act of grace, saves those who turn

unto HIM, renew us in YOUR love, change our shame into praise and restore us into

YOURSELF, so that we may be courageous to sing YOUR praises in our sufferings knowing that suffering produces endurance, endurance produces character and character produces hope. In the name of the GOD Who loves us, CHRIST Who died

for us while we were still sinners and the HOLY SPIRIT Who fills our hearts with love,

now and forever more.

Amen.

 **CSI Almanac – 2nd January 2024, Tuesday**

Morning

Old Testament – Deuteronomy 1:22-31

New Testament – Romans 1: 16-17

Evening

Old Testament – Deuteronomy 1:32-46

New Testament – Romans 1: 18-23

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 3rd January 2024

Morning

Psalms- 10 and 11

Old Testament- Deuteronomy 2: 1 – 15

New Testament- Romans 1: 24 – 32

Evening

Psalms- 12; 13 and 14

Old Testament- Deuteronomy 2: 16 – 25

New Testament- Romans 2: 1 – 5

Quiz for 3rd January 2024 - from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 10 to 14

1) Salvation...reference?

Deuteronomy 2: 1 – 25

2) Why GOD commands Israelites not to meddle with people of Seir and Moab...reference?

Romans 1: 24 – 2: 5

3) GOD's principles of judgement...reference?

Verses for 3rd January 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 10 to 14

Psalms 11

David's struggle with, and triumph over a strong temptation to distrust GOD, and betake himself to indirect means for his own safety, in a time of danger.

Those that truly fear GOD and serve HIM, are welcome to put their trust in HIM. The psalmist, before he gives an account of his temptation to distrust GOD, records his resolution to trust in HIM, as that by which he was resolved to live and die.

The believer, though not terrified by his enemies, may be tempted, by the fears of his friends, to desert his post, or neglect his work. They perceive his danger, but not his security; they give him counsel that savours of worldly policy, rather than of heavenly wisdom. The principles of religion are the foundations on which the faith and hope of the righteous are built. We are concerned to hold these fast against all temptations to unbelief; for believers would be undone, if they had not GOD to go to, GOD to trust in, and future bliss to hope for. The prosperity of wicked people in their wicked, evil ways, and the straits and distresses which the best men are sometimes brought into, tried David's faith. We need not say, who shall go up to heaven, to fetch us thence a GOD to trust in? The word is nigh us, and GOD in the word; HIS SPIRIT is in His saints, those living temples, and the LORD is that SPIRIT. This GOD governs the world. We may know what men seem to be, but GOD knows what they are, as the refiner knows the value of gold when he has tried it. GOD is said to try with HIS eyes, because HE cannot err, or be imposed upon. If HE afflicts good people, it is for their trial, therefore for their good. However persecutors and oppressors may prosper awhile, they will for ever perish.

GOD is a holy GOD, and therefore hates them. HE is a righteous Judge, and will therefore punish them. In what a horrible tempest are the wicked hurried away at death! Every man has the portion of his cup assigned him. Impenitent sinner, mark your doom! The last call to repentance is about to be addressed to you, judgement is at hand; through the gloomy shade of death you pass into the region of eternal wrath. Hasten then, O sinner, to the cross of CHRIST. How stands the case between GOD and our souls? Is CHRIST our hope, our consolation, our security? Then, not otherwise, will the soul be carried through all its difficulties and conflicts.

OLD TESTAMENT



Deuteronomy 2: 1 – 25

Deuteronomy 2: 7

GOD hath been with thee.

Although the Israelites had to pay for their sins of unbelief and rebellion, GOD continued to be with them because they confessed their sin. GOD will continue to bless and guide those who repent, in spite of their failure and their failure and their temporary departure from a life of holiness according to GOD's Word.

NEW TESTAMENT

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Romans 1: 24 – 2: 5

Romans 2: 3

And doest the same.

No one should attempt to direct others to do what is right while failing to correct his or her own conduct. Some churches attempt to persuade secular or pagan society to follow Biblical law. While at the same time they are blind to the worldliness and immorality within their own membership.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 4th January 2024

Morning

Psalms- 15 and 16

Old Testament- Deuteronomy 2: 26 – 37

New Testament- Romans 2: 6 – 16

Evening

Psalms- 17

Old Testament- Deuteronomy 3: 1 – 7

New Testament- Romans 2: 17 – 24

Quiz for 4th January 2024 - from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 15 to 17

1) Old Testament Prophecy and New Testament fulfilment...?

Deuteronomy 2: 26 – 3: 7

2) Places captured by Israelites as commanded by GOD...reference?

Romans 2: 6 – 24

3) Who shall be justified...reference?

Verses for 4th January 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 15 to 17

Psalms 16

This psalm begins with expressions of devotion, which may be applied to CHRIST; but ends with such confidence of a resurrection, as must be applied to CHRIST, and to HIM only.

David flees to GOD's protection, with cheerful, believing confidence. Those who have vowed that the LORD is their LORD, should often put themselves in mind of what they have done, take the comfort of it, and live up to it. He devotes himself to

the honour of GOD, in the service of the saints. Saints on earth we must be, or we shall never be saints in heaven. Those renewed by the grace of GOD, and devoted to the glory of GOD, are saints on earth. The saints in the earth are excellent ones, yet some of them so poor, that they needed to have David's goodness extended to them. David declares his resolution to have no fellowship with the works of darkness; he repeats the solemn choice he had made of GOD for his portion and happiness, takes to himself the comfort of the choice, and gives GOD the glory of it. This is the language of a devout and pious soul. Most take the world for their chief good, and place their happiness in the enjoyments of it; but how poor so ever my condition is in this world, let me have the love and favour of GOD, and be accepted of him; let me have a title by promise to life and happiness in the future state; and I have enough.

Heaven is an inheritance; we must take that for our home, our rest, our everlasting good, and look upon this world to be no more ours, than the country through which is our road to our Father's house. Those that have GOD for their portion, have a goodly heritage. Return unto thy rest, O my soul, and look no further. Gracious persons, though they still covet more of GOD, never covet more than GOD; but, being satisfied of his loving-kindness, are abundantly satisfied with it: they envy not any their carnal mirth and delights. But so ignorant and foolish are we, that if left to ourselves, we shall forsake our own mercies for lying vanities. GOD having given David counsel by HIS Word and SPIRIT, his own thoughts taught him in the night season, and engaged him by faith to live for GOD.

Verses Acts 2:25-31; he declared that David in them speaks concerning CHRIST, and particularly of HIS resurrection. And CHRIST being the Head of the body, the church, these verses may be applied to all Christians, guided and animated by the SPIRIT of CHRIST; and we may hence learn, that it is our wisdom and duty to set the LORD always before us. And if our eyes are ever toward GOD, our hearts and tongues may ever rejoice in HIM. Death destroys the hope of man, but not the hope of a real Christian. CHRIST's resurrection is an earnest of the believer's resurrection. In this world sorrow is our lot, but in heaven there is joy, a fullness of joy; our pleasures here are for a moment, but those at GOD's right hand are pleasures for evermore. Through this THY beloved SON, and our dear SAVIOUR, thou wilt show us, O LORD, the path of life; THOU wilt justify our souls now, and raise our bodies by THY power at the last day; when earthly sorrow shall end in heavenly joy, pain in everlasting happiness.

OLD TESTAMENT



Deuteronomy 2: 26 – 3: 7

Deuteronomy 2: 30

The LORD hardened his spirit.

GOD does not harden anyone's heart arbitrarily (Hebrews 3: 7 –13). HE hardened Sihon's heart because Sihon had already set his heart against GOD and Israel and against Israel's GOD.

NEW TESTAMENT



Romans 2: 6 – 24

Romans 2: 13

The doers of the law shall be justified.

Paul does not use the term 'law' in the sense of a system of statutes that we may obey and earn our salvation without grace. Law here stands for the will of GOD made known to the human race. Merely GOD's Word avails nothing apart from faith, submission and obedience. There must be obedience to the faith, expressing itself through love.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 5th January 2024

Morning

Psalms- 18: 1 – 24

Old Testament- Deuteronomy 3: 8 – 17

New Testament- Romans 2: 25 – 29

Evening

Psalms- 18: 25 – 50

Old Testament- Deuteronomy 3: 18 – 29

New Testament- Romans 3: 1 – 8

Quiz for 5th January 2024 - from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 18

1) Salvation reference...?

Deuteronomy 3: 8 – 29

2) Context of verse 26...?

Romans 2: 25 – 3: 8

3) Pure life inwardly...reference?

Verses for 5th January 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 18

Psalms 18: 29 – 50

When we praise for one mercy, we must observe the many more, with which we have been compassed all our days. Many things had contributed to David's advancement, and he owns the hand of GOD in them all, to teach us to do likewise.

In verse 32, and the following verses, are the gifts of GOD to the spiritual warrior, whereby he is prepared for the contest, after the example of his victorious Leader.

Learn that we must seek release being made through CHRIST, shall be rejected. In David the type, we behold out of trouble through CHRIST. The prayer put up, without reconciliation, JESUS our Redeemer, conflicting with enemies, compassed with sorrows and with floods of ungodly men, enduring not only the pains of death, but the wrath of GOD for us; yet calling upon the FATHER with strong cries and tears; rescued from the grave; proceeding to reconcile, or to put under his feet all other enemies, till death, the last enemy, shall be destroyed.

We should love the LORD, our Strength, and our Salvation; we should call on HIM in every trouble, and praise HIM for every deliverance; we should aim to walk with HIM in all righteousness and true holiness, keeping from sin. If we belong to HIM, HE conquers and reigns for us, and we shall conquer and reign through HIM, and partake of the mercy of our anointed King, which is promised to all His seed for evermore. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT



Deuteronomy 3: 8 – 29

Deuteronomy 3: 25

Let me cross over.

Moses had seriously disobeyed GOD and was told he would not be allowed to enter Canaan. Yet he pleaded with GOD to change HIS mind and allow him to cross the Jordan River and enter the Promised Land. GOD refused in order to teach that sin by a spiritual leader has grave consequences and will incur a stricter judgement. Spiritual leaders of GOD's people can disqualify themselves from certain areas of ministry if they seriously fail to be examples of obedience.

NEW TESTAMENT



Romans 2: 25 – 3: 8

Romans 2: 29

Circumcision...of the heart, in the spirit.

This is GOD's work of grace in the hearts of the believers whereby they participate in the divine nature and become capable of living a pure life separated from sin for the glory of GOD. Thus, holy living becomes the outward sign that we are under the new covenant.

CSI Almanac – 6th January 2024, Saturday

**CHRIST DRAWS ALL NATIONS TO HIMSELF
(Epiphany)**

Old Testament Reading:

Isaiah 56: 1 – 8

Psalms Reading:

Psalms 72

Epistle Reading:

Revelation 7: 9 – 17

Gospel Reading:

Matthew 2: 1 – 12 / Mark 1: 1 – 9

Collect:

GOD of all nations and peoples, YOU have sent YOUR Son JESUS CHRIST, the light of the life to redeem us from the powers of darkness that we may come to YOU and be part of YOUR kingdom of life.

Open our eyes to see YOU and come to YOU in total surrender through JESUS CHRIST our LORD Who lives and reigns with YOU and the HOLY SPIRIT now and forever.

Amen.

CSI Almanac – 7th January 2024, Sunday

1st Sunday after Epiphany

Live Worthy of Your Calling

Morning Scripture Reading:

Proverbs 20: 1– 11

Psalms 14

Romans 6: 12 – 21

Matthew 7: 16 – 23

Evening Scripture Reading:

Judges 16: 16 – 21 /

Galatians 5: 16 – 24

Collect:

Holy GOD, Creator of our being, enable us to live a life worthy of YOUR calling. Help us to follow YOUR righteous paths and avoid all evil in our day to day life.

Strengthen us to be firm to evade the rule of sin and submit ourselves to the reign of YOUR grace in our lives. Challenge us to be a good tree that bears good fruit so that we may find favour in your eyes, through JESUS CHRIST, Who lives and reigns with YOU and the HOLY SPIRIT, one GOD, now and ever.

Amen.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 8th January 2024

Morning

Psalms- 25 and 26

Old Testament- Deuteronomy 4: 15 – 24

New Testament- Romans 3: 27 – 31

Evening

Psalms- 27 and 28

Old Testament- Deuteronomy 4: 25 – 40

New Testament- Romans 4: 1 – 6

Quiz for 8th January 2024 - from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 25 to 28

- 1) David's song of confidence...Psalm number...?

Deuteronomy 4: 15 – 40

- 2) Moses prediction if Israelites forget the covenant and become disobedient...?

Romans 3: 27 – 4: 6

- 3) Explain verse 31?

Verses for 8th January 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 25 to 28

Psalms 25: 15 – 22

The psalmist concedes, as he began, with expressing dependence upon GOD, and desire toward HIM. It is good thus to hope, and quietly to wait for the salvation of the LORD. And if GOD turns to us, no matter who turns from us, HE pleads his own integrity. Though guilty before GOD, yet, as to his enemies, he had the testimony of conscience that he had done them no wrong. GOD would, at length, give Israel rest from all their enemies round about. In heaven, GOD's Israel will be perfectly

redeemed from all troubles. Blessed SAVIOUR, thou hast graciously taught us that without thee we can do nothing. Do THOU teach us how to pray, how to appear before THEE in the way which THOU shalt choose, and how to lift up our whole hearts and desires after THEE, for THOU art the LORD our righteousness.

OLD TESTAMENT



Deuteronomy 4: 15 – 40

Deuteronomy 4: 29 With all thy heart...thy soul.

To find GOD and know HIM in HIS fullness, a person must seek HIM with passion and wholehearted devotion. Knowing GOD and experiencing the power, blessing and righteousness of HIS kingdom do not come easily, that will happen only to those who diligently seek GOD and desire HIS nearness, the fullness of HIS SPIRIT and HIS gift of eternal life.

NEW TESTAMENT



Romans 3: 27 – 4: 6

Romans 3: 31 We establish the law.

Salvation in CHRIST does not mean that the law has no value. In fact justification by faith upholds the law according to its right purpose and function. Through reconciliation with GOD and through the regenerating work of the HOLY SPIRIT, the believer becomes capable of honouring and obeying God's moral law.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 9th January 2024

Morning

Psalms- 29 and 30

Old Testament- Deuteronomy 4: 41 – 49

New Testament- Romans 4: 7 – 12

Evening

Psalms- 31

Old Testament- Deuteronomy 5: 1 – 5

New Testament- Romans 4: 13 – 16

Quiz for 9th January 2024 - from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 29 to 31

1) JESUS last words before HIS death...reference...?

Deuteronomy 4: 41 – 5: 5

2) Where did GOD make the covenant with Israelites...reference...?

Romans 4: 7 – 16

3) Salvation gift of grace...reference?

Verses for 9th January 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 29 to 31

Psalms 31: 19 to 34

Instead of yielding to impatience or despondency under our troubles, we should turn our thoughts to the goodness of the LORD towards those who fear and trust in HIM. All comes to sinners through the wondrous gift of the only-begotten SON of GOD, to be the atonement for their sins. Let not any yield to unbelief, or think, under discouraging circumstances, that they are cut off from before the eyes of the LORD, and left to the pride of men. LORD, pardon our complaints and fears; increase

our faith, patience, love, and gratitude; teach us to rejoice in tribulation and in hope. The deliverance of CHRIST, with the destruction of his enemies, ought to strengthen and comfort the hearts of believers under all their afflictions here below, that having suffered courageously with their Master, they may triumphantly enter into his joy and glory.

OLD TESTAMENT



Deuteronomy 4: 41 – 5: 5

Deuteronomy 5: 2

A covenant.

Israel's salvation was a divine gift given according to GOD's covenant agreement that HE would adopt the Israelites as His sons and daughters in order to care for them and bless them, that they might live long in the land GOD gave them, in grateful response Israel was to accept GOD as their LORD to be worshipped, loved, honoured and obeyed in living faith.

NEW TESTAMENT



Romans 4: 7 – 16

Romans 4: 7

They whose iniquities are forgiven.

This quotation from Psalm 32: 1 shows that both David and Paul understood that one's faith credited as righteousness includes forgiveness of sin and reconciliation with GOD. It is a gift based upon GOD's mercy, made possible through CHRIST's death on the cross.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 10th January 2024

Morning

Psalms- 33

Old Testament- Deuteronomy 5: 6 – 22

New Testament- Romans 4: 17 – 25

Evening

Psalms- 32

Old Testament- Deuteronomy 5: 23 – 33

New Testament- Romans 5: 1 – 5

Quiz for 10th January 2024 - from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 32 and 33

1) The LORD provides and delivers...Psalm number...?

Deuteronomy 5: 6 – 33

2) ...That it may be well with their children forever...reference and condition...?

Romans 4: 17 – 5: 5

3) Fruit of the HOLY SPIRIT....reference...?

Verses for 10th January 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 32 and 33

Psalms 32: 8 – 11

GOD teaches by HIS word, and guides with the secret intimations of HIS will.

David gives a word of caution to sinners. The reason for this caution is, that the way of sin will certainly end in sorrow. Here is a word of comfort to saints. They may see that a life of communion with GOD is far the most pleasant and comfortable. Let us rejoice, O LORD JESUS in THEE, and in THY salvation; so shall we rejoice indeed.

OLD TESTAMENT



Deuteronomy 5: 6 – 33

Deuteronomy 5: 29

O that there were such a heart in them, that they would fear me.

The Biblical history of salvation is nothing other than the tireless attempts of GOD to draw men and women away from their sin and its destructive consequences, but to HIMSELF.

NEW TESTAMENT



Romans 4: 17 – 5: 5

Romans 5: 1

Therefore being justified.

Some of the benefits of justification through faith are mentioned here, peace with GOD, grace, hope, assurance, perseverance, the love of GOD, the HOLY SPIRIT, salvation from wrath, reconciliation to GOD, salvation by the life and presence of JESUS, and joy in GOD.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 11th January 2024

Morning

Psalms- 34

Old Testament- Deuteronomy 6: 1 – 9

New Testament- Romans 5: 6 – 11

Evening

Psalms- 35

Old Testament- Deuteronomy 6: 10 – 25

New Testament- Romans 5: 12 – 14

Quiz for 11th January 2024 - from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 34 and 35

1) Old Testament prophecy and New Testament fulfilment...?

Deuteronomy 6: 1 – 25

2) ...One key way to express love for GOD...teaching diligently to...reference...?

Romans 5: 6 – 14

3) How are we reconciled to GOD....reference...?

Verses for 11th January 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 34 and 35

Psalms 35: 17 – 28

Though the people of GOD are, and study to be, quiet, yet it has been common for their enemies to devise deceitful matters against them. David prays, My soul is in danger, LORD, rescue it; it belongs to Thee the Father of Spirits, therefore claim Thine own; it is Thine, save it! LORD, be not far from me, as if I were a stranger. He who exalted the once suffering REDEEMER, will appear for all HIS people: the roaring lion shall not destroy their souls, any more than he could that of CHRIST,

their Surety. They trust their souls in HIS hands, they are one with HIM by faith, are precious in HIS sight, and shall be rescued from destruction, that they may give thanks in heaven.

OLD TESTAMENT



Deuteronomy 6: 1 – 25

Deuteronomy 6: 7

Teach them diligently unto thy children.

One key way to express love for GOD is to be concerned with the spiritual welfare of our children and to endeavour to bring them into a faithful relationship with GOD. Spiritual instruction must be centered in home with both father and mother.

NEW TESTAMENT

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Romans 5: 6 – 14

Romans 5: 10

Saved by HIS life.

The believer's salvation lies in CHRIST's blood and HIS resurrection life, whereby the believer is forgiven and reconciled to GOD. This experience is initial salvation. The believer continues to be saved by a living faith and union with the living CHRIST.

If GOD loved us enough to send HIS SON to die for us while we were enemies, how much more, now that we are HIS children, HE will make every provision to save us from the wrath to come through our present faith in HIS SON.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 12th January 2024

Morning

Psalms- 36 and 37: 1 – 11

Old Testament- Deuteronomy 7: 1 – 11

New Testament- Romans 5: 15 – 17

Evening

Psalms- 37: 12 – 40

Old Testament- Deuteronomy 7: 12 – 26

New Testament- Romans 5: 18 – 21

Quiz for 12th January 2024 - from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 36 and 37

- 1) Instructions about evil doers...reference...?

Deuteronomy 7: 1 – 26

- 2) Holy special people...reference...?

Romans 5: 15 – 21

- 3) Free gift of grace....reference...?

Verses for 12th January 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 36 and 37

Psalms 36: 1 – 6

When we look abroad we see the world full of evil-doers that flourish and live in ease. So it was seen of old, therefore let us not marvel at the matter. We are tempted to fret at this, to think them the only happy people, and so we are prone to do like them: but this we are warned against. Outward prosperity is fading. When we look forward, with an eye of faith, we shall see no reason to envy the wicked. Their weeping and wailing will be everlasting. The life of religion is a believing trust

in the LORD, and diligent care to serve HIM according to HIS will. It is not trusting GOD, but tempting him, if we do not make conscience of our duty to HIM. A man's life consists not in abundance, but, Thou shalt have food convenient for thee. This is more than we deserve, and it is enough for one that is going to heaven. To delight in GOD is as much a privilege as a duty. HE has not promised to gratify the appetites of the body, and the humours of the fancy, but the desires of the renewed, sanctified soul. What is the desire of the heart of a good man? It is this, to know, and love, and serve GOD. Commit thy way unto the LORD; roll thy way upon the LORD, so the margin reads it. Cast thy burden upon the LORD, the burden of thy care. We must roll it off ourselves, not afflict and perplex ourselves with thoughts about future events, but refer them to GOD. By prayer spread thy case and all thy cares before the LORD, and trust in HIM. We must do our duty, and then leave the event with GOD. The promise is very sweet: HE shall bring that to pass, whatever it is, which thou has committed to HIM.

OLD TESTAMENT



Deuteronomy 7: 1 – 26

Deuteronomy 7: 3

Neither...make marriages with them.

Any intimate association with people of the world will eventually destroy the separateness and holiness of GOD's people. Such matters as intermarriage of GOD's people with unbelievers or partnership with unbelievers may turn believers away from following GOD.

NEW TESTAMENT

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Romans 5: 15 – 21

Romans 5: 15

Much more the grace of GOD.

Paul stresses the supreme adequacy of the redemption provided by JESUS CHRIST to undo the effects of the fall. This is the real point of the passage that the trespass of Adam brought forth sin, condemnation and death, the fruit of CHRIST's life brought forth grace, justification of life.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 13th January 2024

Morning

Psalms- 38

Old Testament- Deuteronomy 8: 1 – 10

New Testament- Romans 6: 1 – 6

Evening

Psalms- 39

Old Testament- Deuteronomy 8: 11 – 20

New Testament- Romans 6: 7 – 14

Verses for 13th January 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 38 and 39

Psalms 38: 21

Be not far from me.

One terrible consequence of wilful sin is the loss of GOD's fellowship and the sense of HIS presence. It is a gracious and bitter experience to commit wilful sin after knowing the mercy of GOD and the indwelling of the HOLY SPIRIT.

OLD TESTAMENT



Deuteronomy 8: 1 – 20

Deuteronomy 8: 12 – 14

When thou hast eaten and art full thou forget the LORD THY GOD.

In times of prosperity and abundance people are inclined to become satisfied with life on earth as it is and to find their enjoyment in material blessings. Prosperity

brings the temptation to forget GOD and HIS commandments, to no longer seek spiritual blessings, and to fail to grieve over the sin and evil in the world.

NEW TESTAMENT

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Romans 6: 1 – 14

Romans 6: 10

HE died unto sin.

Although CHRIST was sinless, HE suffered from and was humiliated by the power of sin for our sake. In HIS death, HE died to sin's influence, in HIS resurrection, HE triumphed over its power. Likewise, those who are united with HIM in HIS death are freed from sin's power to walk in newness of life.

CSI Almanac – 14th January 2024, Sunday

2nd Sunday after Epiphany

ONE LORD, ONE BAPTISM

Morning Scripture Reading:

Numbers 11: 23 – 30

Psalms 23

1 Corinthians 10: 1 – 4

John 10: 7 – 18

Evening Scripture Reading:

Amos 9: 5 – 12 /

1 John 3: 1 – 10

Collect:

GOD of new life, YOU seek to recreate people with holiness, justice, peace and equality. We thank YOU for the institution of Baptism through which we could be touched by YOU and be transformed by YOU. Grant us grace that we who are baptised in CHRIST may realize that we are clothed with newness through the merits of JESUS CHRIST the new Adam who lives and reigns with YOU and the HOLY SPIRIT, one GOD, now and ever.

Amen.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 15th January 2024

Morning

Psalms- 44

Old Testament- Deuteronomy 9: 1 – 6

New Testament- Romans 6: 15 – 18

Evening

Psalms- 42 and 43

Old Testament- Deuteronomy 9: 7 – 17

New Testament- Romans 6: 19 – 23

Quiz for 15th January 2024 - from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 42; 43 and 44

1) My soul thirsteth for GOD...Psalm number...?

Deuteronomy 9: 1 – 17

2) Why the nations of Canaan were destroyed...reference...?

Romans 6: 15 – 23

3) What is the gift of GOD....reference...?

Verses for 15th January 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 42; 43 and 44

Psalms 43

David endeavours to still his spirit, with hope and confidence in GOD.

As to the quarrel GOD had with David for sin, he prays, Enter not into judgment with me, if Thou doest so I shall be condemned; but as to the quarrel his enemies had with him, he prays, LORD, judge me, and in THY providence appear on my behalf. If we cannot comfort ourselves in GOD, we may stay ourselves upon him, and may have spiritual supports, when we want spiritual delights. HE never cast off any that

trusted in HIM, whatever fears they may have had of their own state. We need desire no more to make us happy, than the good that flow from GOD's favour, and is included in HIS promise. Those whom GOD leads, he leads to his holy hill; those, therefore, who pretend to be led by the SPIRIT, and yet turn their backs upon ordinance, deceive themselves. We are still to pray for the Spirit of light and truth, who supplies the want of CHRIST's bodily presence, to guide us in the way to heaven. Whatever we rejoice or triumph in, the LORD must be the joy of it. David applies to GOD as his never-failing hope. Let us pray earnestly, that the LORD would send forth the truth of his word, and the light of his Spirit, to guide us into the way of holiness, peace, and salvation. The desire of the Christian, like that of the prophet in distress, is to be saved from sin as well as sorrow; to be taught in the way of righteousness by the light of heavenly wisdom, shining in JESUS CHRIST, and to be led by this light and truth to the New Jerusalem.

OLD TESTAMENT



Deuteronomy 9: 1 – 17

Deuteronomy 9: 4

For the wickedness of these nations.

The nations of Canaan were destroyed by GOD because of their extreme wickedness the depravity was so terrible and widespread that GOD determined that they had to be completely removed like a dreaded cancer. Thus Israel conquest and extermination of the Canaanites were capital punishment at national level. Likewise, virtually uncontrolled wickedness had existed in Noah's day and will characterize the world at the end of time.

NEW TESTAMENT



Romans 6: 15 – 23

Romans 6: 17

Obeded...that form of doctrine.

In the early church new believers were committed to certain defined standards of teaching and conduct, based upon apostolic instruction and the believers relation and commitment to CHRIST. These standards were most likely a summary of Christian doctrine and ethics to which converts subscribed when they accepted CHRIST as their new Master. It is the sound doctrine in sound words or sound teaching referred to in the Pastoral letters. The New Testament demands obedience from the heart to CHRIST and HIS righteous ways.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 16th January 2024

Morning

Psalms- 45

Old Testament- Deuteronomy 9: 18 – 29

New Testament- Romans 7: 1 – 6

Evening

Psalms- 46

Old Testament- Deuteronomy 10: 1 – 11

New Testament- Romans 7: 7 – 12

Quiz for 16th January 2024 - from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 45 and 46

1) Old Testament prophecy and New Testament fulfilment...?

Deuteronomy 9: 18 – 10: 11

2) Which tribe was separated to bear the ark...reference...?

Romans 7: 1 – 12

3) Dead to law....reference...?

Verses for 16th January 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 45 and 46

Psalms 45: 10 – 17

If we desire to share these blessings, we must hearken to CHRIST's word.

We must forget our carnal and sinful attachments and pursuits. CHRIST must be our LORD as well as our SAVIOUR; all idols must be thrown away, that we may give HIM our whole heart. And here is good encouragement, thus to break off from former alliances. The beauty of holiness, both on the church and on particular believers, is, in the sight of CHRIST, of great price, and very amiable. The work of grace is the

workmanship of the SPIRIT, it is the image of CHRIST upon the soul, a partaking of the Divine nature. It is clear of all sin, there is none in it, nor does any come from it. There is nothing glorious in the old man or corrupt nature; but in the new man, or work of grace upon the soul, everything is glorious. The robe of CHRIST's righteousness, which HE has wrought out for His church, the FATHER imputes unto her, and bestows upon her. None are brought to CHRIST, but those whom the FATHER brings. This notes the conversion of souls to Him. The robe of righteousness, and garments of salvation, the change of raiment CHRIST has put upon her. Such as strictly cleave to CHRIST, loving HIM in singleness of heart, are companions of the bride, who partake of the very same grace, enjoy the same privileges, and share in one common salvation. These, every one, shall be brought to the King; not one lost or left behind. Instead of the Old Testament church, there shall be a New Testament church, a Gentile church. In the believing hope of our everlasting happiness in the other world, let us always keep up the remembrance of CHRIST, as our only way thither; and transmit the remembrance of HIM to succeeding generations, that HIS name may endure for ever.

OLD TESTAMENT



Deuteronomy 9: 18 – 10: 11

Deuteronomy 10: 1 – 11

Moses reminded the Israelites of GOD's great mercy to them, notwithstanding their provocations.

There were four things in and by which the LORD showed Himself reconciled to Israel. GOD gave them His law. Thus GOD has entrusted us with Bibles, Sabbaths, and sacraments, as tokens of His presence and favour. GOD led them forward toward Canaan. He appointed a standing ministry among them for holy things. And now, under the gospel, when the pouring forth of the SPIRIT is more plentiful and powerful, the succession is kept up by the SPIRIT's work on men's hearts, qualifying and making some willing for that work in every age. GOD accepted Moses as an advocate or intercessor for them, and therefore appointed him to be their prince and leader. Moses was a type of Christ, who lived, pleading for the people of Israel.

NEW TESTAMENT

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Romans 7: 1 – 12

Romans 7: 4

Dead to law.

We no longer look to the Old Testament law and sacrifices for salvation and acceptance from GOD. We have been separated from the old covenant of the law and united with CHRIST, and we now look to CHRIST for salvation. We must believe in JESUS CHRIST, and we now look to CHRIST for salvation.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 17th January 2024

Morning

Psalms- 47 and 48

Old Testament- Deuteronomy 10: 12 – 22

New Testament- Romans 7: 13 – 19

Evening

Psalms- 49

Old Testament- Deuteronomy 11: 1 – 17

New Testament- Romans 7: 20 – 25

Quiz for 17th January 2024 - from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 47; 48 and 49

1) Overcoming world and worldliness...reference...?

Deuteronomy 10: 12 – 11: 17

2) Walking in obedience and righteousness...reference...?

Romans 7: 13 – 25

3) Who will rescue us from this body of death....reference...?

Verses for 17th January 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 47; 48 and 49

Psalms 48: 1 – 7

Jerusalem is the city of our GOD: none on earth render HIM due honour except the citizens of the spiritual Jerusalem. Happy the kingdom, the city, the family, the heart, in which GOD is great, in which HE is all. There GOD is known. The clearer discoveries are made to us of the LORD and HIS greatness, the more it is expected that we should abound in HIS praises. The earth is, by sin, covered with deformity, therefore justly might that spot of ground, which was beautified with holiness, be

called the joy of the whole earth; that which the whole earth has reason to rejoice in, that GOD would thus in very deed dwell with man upon the earth. The kings of the earth were afraid of it. Nothing in nature can more fitly represent the overthrow of heathenism by the Spirit of the gospel, than the wreck of a fleet in a storm. Both are by the mighty power of the LORD.

OLD TESTAMENT



Deuteronomy 10: 12 – 11: 17

Deuteronomy 10: 12

Love him...with all thy heart.

Repeatedly GOD emphasized to Israel the necessity of love that comes from the heart. GOD did not want His people to substitute heartfelt love for HIM with mere outward religious forms such as keeping commitments, offering sacrifices etc. It was necessary that they always obey GOD from the heart that sincerely loved and honoured HIM.

NEW TESTAMENT



Romans 7: 13 – 25

Romans 7: 15

What I would, that do I not.

Those who attempt to obey GOD's commandments without saving grace of CHRIST find themselves unable to accomplish the good intentions of their heart. They are not their own master, evil and sin rule within them. They are slaves to them and are in captivity of the law.

Only in CHRIST will God make a way to escape temptation, that ye may be able to bear it.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 18th January 2024

Morning

Psalms- 50

Old Testament- Deuteronomy 11: 18 – 32

New Testament- Romans 8: 1 – 4

Evening

Psalms- 51

Old Testament- Deuteronomy 12: 1 – 12

New Testament- Romans 8: 5 – 11

Verses for 18th January 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 50 and 51

Psalms 50: 16 – 23

Hypocrisy is wickedness, which GOD will judge.

And it is too common, for those who declare the LORD's statutes to others, to live in disobedience to themselves. This delusion arises from the abuse of GOD's long-suffering, and a wilful mistake of his character and the intention of his gospel. The sins of sinners will be fully proved on them in the judgment of the great day. The day is coming when GOD will set their sins in order, sins of childhood and youth, of riper age and old age, to their everlasting shame and terror. Let those hitherto forgetful of GOD, given up to wickedness, or in any way negligent of salvation, consider their urgent danger. The patience of the LORD is very great. It is the more wonderful, because sinners make such ill use of it; but if they turn not, they shall be made to see their error when it is too late. Those that forget GOD, forget themselves; and it will never be right with them till they consider. Man's chief end is to glorify GOD: who so ever offers praise, glorifies HIM, and his spiritual sacrifices shall be accepted. We must praise GOD, sacrifice praise, and put it into the hands of the Priest, our LORD JESUS, who is also the altar: we must be fervent in spirit, praising the LORD. Let us thankfully accept GOD's mercy, and endeavour to glorify HIM in word and deed.

OLD TESTAMENT



Deuteronomy 11: 18 – 12: 12

Deuteronomy 11: 26

A blessing and a curse.

GOD set before His people the choice of receiving a blessing or a curse. If they obeyed GOD's word and remained separated from the sin of the surrounding nations, then GOD's blessing would come upon them and overtake them. On the other hand if they conformed to the ways of the ungodly, GOD's curse would come upon them and overtake them.

NEW TESTAMENT



Romans 8: 1 – 11

Romans 8: 1

Them which are in CHRIST JESUS.

Paul has just shown in chapter 7 that the law is powerless to deliver us from the sinful nature and its sinful desires now in chapter 8 Paul tells us that spiritual life, freedom from condemnation, victory over sin and fellowship with GOD come through union with CHRIST by the indwelling HOLY SPIRIT. By receiving and following the SPIRIT, we are delivered from sin's power and are led onward to final glorification in CHRIST. This experience is the normal Christian life under the full provision of the gospel of CHRIST.

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The Week of prayer for Christian Unity:

Jan 18th to Jan 25th - Prepared by the World Council of Churches for Christian Unity.

Theme of the year 2024:

You shall love the LORD your GOD..... And your neighbour as yourself (Luke 10: 27)

January 18: Day 1

A lawyer stood up to test JESUS. "Teacher", he said, "what must I do to inherit eternal life"? (Luke 10: 25)

Help us LORD, to have a life turned towards you

Scripture Reading:

Romans 14: 8 & 9

Psalm 103: 13 to 18

Prayer

GOD of life, YOU have created us to have life, and life in all its fullness. May we recognise in our brothers and sisters their desire for eternal life. As we follow JESUS' way with determination, may we lead others to YOU. We pray in HIS name.

Amen.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 19th January 2024

Morning

Psalms- 52 and 53

Old Testament- Deuteronomy 12: 13 – 22

New Testament- Romans 8: 12 – 17

Evening

Psalms- 54

Old Testament- Deuteronomy 12: 23 – 32

New Testament- Romans 8: 18 – 21

Verses for 19th January 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 52; 53 and 54

Psalms 53

The Corruption of man by nature.

This psalm is almost the same as the 14th. The scope of it is to convince us of our sins. GOD, by the psalmist, here shows us how bad we are, and proves this by his own certain knowledge. He speaks terror to persecutors, the worst of sinners. He speaks encouragement to GOD's persecuted people. How come that men are so bad? Because there is no fear of GOD before their eyes. Men's bad practices flow from their bad principles; if they profess to know GOD, yet in works, because in thoughts, they deny HIM. See the folly of sin; he is a fool, in the account of GOD, whose judgment we are sure is right, that harbours such corrupt thoughts. And see the fruit of sin; to what it brings men, when their hearts are hardened through the deceitfulness of sin. See also the faith of the saints, and their hope and power as to the cure of this great evil. There will come a Saviour, a great salvation, a salvation from sin. GOD will save HIS church from its enemies. HE will save all believers from their own sins, that they may not be led captive by them, which will be everlasting joy to them. From this work the Redeemer had HIS name JESUS, for HE shall save His people from their sins.

OLD TESTAMENT



Deuteronomy 12: 13 – 32

The command to bring all the sacrifices to the door of the tabernacle, was now explained with reference the Promised Land.

As to moral service, then, as now, men might pray and worship everywhere, as they did in their synagogues. The place which GOD would choose, is said to be the place where HE would put HIS name. It was to be HIS habitation, where, as King of Israel, HE would be found by all who reverently sought HIM. Now, under the gospel, we have no temple or altar that sanctifies the gift but CHRIST only: and as to the places of worship, the prophets foretold that in every place the spiritual incense should be offered, John 4:21. And a devout Israelite might honour GOD, keep up communion with HIM, and obtain mercy from HIM, though he had no opportunity of bringing a sacrifice to his altar. Work for GOD should be done with holy joy and cheerfulness. Even children and servants must rejoice before GOD; the services of religion are to be a pleasure, and not a task or drudgery. It is the duty of people to be kind to their ministers, who teach them well, and set them good examples. As long as we live, we need their assistance, till we come to that world where ordinances will not be needed. Whether we eat or drink, or whatever we do, we are commanded to do all to the glory of GOD. And we must do all in the name of the LORD JESUS CHRIST, giving thanks to the FATHER through HIM. They must not even inquire into the modes and forms of idolatrous worship. What good would it do them to know those depths of Satan? And our inward satisfaction will be more and more, as we abound in love and good works, which spring from faith.

NEW TESTAMENT

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Romans 8: 12 – 21

Romans 8: 18

The sufferings of the present time.

All the sufferings of this present age- sickness, pain, misery, disappointment, poverty, mistreatment, sorrow, persecution and trouble of any kind must be considered insignificant when compared with the blessing, privileges and glory that will be given to the faithful believer in the age to come.

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The Week of prayer for Christian Unity:

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Theme of the year 2024:

You shall love the LORD your GOD..... And your neighbour as yourself (Luke 10: 27)

January 19: Day 2

The lawyer answered, "You shall love the LORD YOUR GOD with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbour as yourself" (Luke 10: 27)

Scripture Reading:

Help me LORD to love YOU, my neighbour and myself with all that I am.

Scripture Reading:

Deuteronomy 10: 12 & 13

Psalms 133

Prayer

LORD, give us the grace to know you more deeply, in order to love you with all of our being. Grant us a pure heart, to love our neighbour as ourselves. May the gift of YOUR HOLY SPIRIT enable us to see YOUR presence in our sisters and brothers, that we may love each other with the same unconditional love with which you love us. Through CHRIST our LORD.

Amen.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 20th January 2024

Morning

Psalms- 55

Old Testament- Deuteronomy 13: 1 – 11

New Testament- Romans 8: 22 – 27

Evening

Psalms- 56

Old Testament- Deuteronomy 13: 12 – 18

New Testament- Romans 8: 28 – 33

Verses for 20th January 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 55 and 56

Psalms 55: 16 – 23

In every trial let us call upon the LORD, and HE will save us.

HE shall hear us, and not blame us for coming too often; the oftener the more welcome. David had thought all were against him; but now he sees there were many with him, more than he supposed; and the glory of this he gives to GOD, for it is he that raises us up friends, and makes them faithful to us. There are more true Christians, and believers have more real friends, than in their gloomy hours they suppose. His enemies should be reckoned with, and brought down; they could not ease themselves of their fears, as David could, by faith in GOD. Mortal men, though ever so high and strong, will easily be crushed by an eternal GOD. Those who are not reclaimed by the rod of affliction, will certainly be brought down to the pit of destruction. The burden of afflictions is very heavy, especially when attended with the temptations of Satan; there is also the burden of sin and corruption. The only relief under it is, to look to CHRIST, who bore it. Whatever it is that thou desirest GOD should give thee, leave it to HIM to give it in HIS own way and time. Care is a burden, it makes the heart stoop. We must commit our ways and works to the LORD; let him do as seemeth him good, and let us be satisfied. To cast our burden

upon GOD, is to rest upon HIS providence and promise. And if we do so, HE will carry us in the arms of HIS power, as a nurse carries a child; and will strengthen our spirits by HIS SPIRIT, so that they shall sustain the trial. HE will never suffer the righteous to be moved; to be so shaken by any troubles, as to quit their duty to GOD, or their comfort in HIM. HE will not suffer them to be utterly cast down. HE, who bore the burden of our sorrows, desires us to leave to HIM to bear the burden of our cares, that, as HE knows what is best for us, HE may provide it accordingly. Why do not we trust CHRIST to govern the world which HE redeemed?

OLD TESTAMENT



Deuteronomy 13: 1 – 18

Deuteronomy 13: 1 – 5

Moses had cautioned against the peril that might arise from the Canaanites.

Here he cautions against the rise of idolatry among themselves. It is needful for us to be well acquainted with the truths and precepts of the Bible; for we may expect to be proved by temptations of evil under the appearance of good, of error in the guise of truth; nor can anything rightly oppose such temptations, but the plain, express testimony of GOD's word to the contrary. And it would be a proof of sincere affection for GOD, that, notwithstanding specious pretences, they should not be wrought upon the forsake GOD, and follow other gods to serve them.

NEW TESTAMENT



Romans 8: 22 – 33

Romans 8: 28

All things work together for good.

This passage greatly encourages the children of GOD when we must endure suffering in this life. GOD will bring good out of all affliction, trials, persecution and suffering, the good that GOD works is conforming us to the image of CHRIST and ultimately bringing about our glorification.

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The Week of prayer for Christian Unity:

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Theme of the year 2024:

You shall love the LORD your GOD..... And your neighbour as yourself (Luke 10: 27)

January 20: Day 3

“Who is my neighbour” (Luke 10: 29)

LORD, open our hearts to those we do not see.

Scripture Reading:

Romans 13: 8 – 10

Psalm 119: 57 – 63

Prayer

GOD of love, Who write in our hearts, instil in us the courage to look beyond ourselves and see the neighbour in those different from ourselves, that we may truly follow JESUS CHRIST, our brother and our friend, who is LORD, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Quiz:

Briefly explain Ephesians 4: 13

CSI Almanac – 21st January 2024, Sunday

3rd Sunday after Epiphany

UNITY FOR JUSTICE AND PEACE
(Ecumenical Sunday)

Morning Scripture Reading:

Ezekiel 37: 15 – 28

Psalms 4

Philippians 4: 8 – 20

Matthew 5: 21 – 26

Evening Scripture Reading:

Deuteronomy 15: 7 – 11 /

2 Corinthians 8: 1 – 15

Collect:

GOD of peace and justice, Who sent YOUR SON JESUS CHRIST the PRINCE OF PEACE for our redemption, empower us with spirit of justice to have right judgments in all things and in establishing a peaceful kingdom and await the coming judge, through JESUS CHRIST our LORD Who lives and reigns with YOU and the HOLY SPIRIT, one GOD, now and forever.

Amen.

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The Week of prayer for Christian Unity:

Jan 18th to Jan 25th - Prepared by the World Council of Churches for Christian Unity.

Theme of the year 2024:

You shall love the LORD your GOD..... And your neighbour as yourself (Luke 10: 27)

January 21: Day 4

When he saw him, he passed by on the other side (Luke 10: 31)

May we never turn away from those in need.

Scripture Reading:

Isaiah 58: 6 – 9a

Psalm 34: 15 – 22

Prayer

LORD JESUS CHRIST, as we journey with YOU towards unity, may our eyes not look away, but be wide open to the world. As we travel through life, may we stop and reach out, bind up the wounded and in so doing experience YOUR presence in them: YOU who live and reign for ever and ever. **Amen.**

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 22nd January 2024

Morning

Psalms- 60 and 61

Old Testament- Deuteronomy 14: 1 – 21

New Testament- Romans 8: 34 – 39

Evening

Psalms- 119: 161 – 176

Old Testament- Deuteronomy 14: 22 – 29

New Testament- Romans 9: 1 – 5

Verses for 22nd January 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 60; 61 and 119: 161 – 176

Psalms 61: 1 – 4

David begins with prayers and tears, but ends with praise. Thus the soul, being lifted up to GOD, returns to the enjoyment of itself. Wherever we are, we have liberty to draw near to GOD, and may find a way open to the throne of grace. And that which separates us from other comforts, should drive us nearer to GOD, the fountain of all comfort. Though the heart is overwhelmed, yet it may be lifted up to GOD in prayer. Nay, I will cry unto thee, for by that means it will be supported and relieved. Weeping must quicken praying, and not deaden it. GOD's power and promise are a rock that is higher than we are. This rock is CHRIST. On the Divine mercy, as on a rock, David desired to rest his soul; but he was like a ship-wrecked sailor, exposed to the billows at the bottom of a rock too high for him to climb without help. David found that he could not be fixed on the Rock of salvation, unless the LORD placed him upon it.

As there is safety in HIM, and none in ourselves, let us pray to be led to and fixed upon CHRIST our Rock. The service of GOD shall be his constant work and business: all must make it so who expect to find GOD their shelter and strong tower. The grace of GOD shall be his constant comfort.

OLD TESTAMENT



Deuteronomy 14: 1 – 29

Deuteronomy 14: 22 – 29

A second portion from the produce of their land was required.

The whole appointment evidently was against the covetousness, distrust, and selfishness of the human heart. It promoted friendliness, liberality, and cheerfulness, and raised a fund for the relief of the poor. They were taught that their worldly portion was most comfortably enjoyed, when shared with their brethren who were in want. If we thus serve GOD, and do good with what we have, it is promised that the LORD our GOD will bless us in all the works of our land. The blessing of GOD is all to our outward prosperity; and without that blessing, the work of our hands will bring nothing to pass. The blessing descends upon the working hand. Expect not that GOD should bless thee in thy idleness and love of ease. And it descends upon the giving hand. He who thus scatters, certainly increases; and to be free and generous in the support of religion, and any good work, is the surest and safest way of thriving.

NEW TESTAMENT



Romans 8: 34 – 9: 5

Romans 8: 39

The love of GOD...in CHRIST JESUS our LORD.

If anyone fails in his or her spiritual life, it will neither be from lack of divine grace and love, nor from external force or overwhelming adversity, but from their own neglect to remain in CHRIST JESUS. Only in CHRIST JESUS is the love of GOD revealed, and only in Him do we experience it. Only as we remain in CHRIST JESUS as our LORD can we have the certainty that we will never be separated from the love of GOD.

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The Week of prayer for Christian Unity:

Jan 18th to Jan 25th - Prepared by the World Council of Churches for Christian Unity.

Theme of the year 2024:

You shall love the LORD your GOD..... And your neighbour as yourself (Luke 10: 27)

January 22: Day 5

**He went to him and bandaged his wounds, having poured oil and wine on them
(Luke 10: 34)**

LORD, help us see the wounds and find hope.

Scripture Reading:

Joel 2: 23 – 27

Psalm 104: 14 – 15, 27 – 30,

Prayer

Gracious GOD of love, YOU who are the source of all love and goodness: enable us to see the needs of our neighbour. Show us what we can do to bring about healing. Change us, so that we can love all our brothers and sisters. Help us to overcome the obstacles of division, that we might build a world of peace for the common good. Thank YOU for renewing YOUR creation and leading us to a future which is full of hope: YOU who are LORD of all, yesterday today and forever. **Amen.**

Morning

Psalms- 62 and 63

Old Testament- Deuteronomy 15: 1 – 11

New Testament- Romans 9: 6 – 13

Evening

Psalms- 64 and 65

Old Testament- Deuteronomy 15: 12 – 23

New Testament- Romans 9: 14 – 18

Verses for 23rd January 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 62 – 65

Psalms 63: 1 – 3

Early will I seek THEE.

The true Christian devotes to GOD the morning hour. He opens the eyes of his understanding with those of his body, and awakes each morning to righteousness. He arises with a thirst after those comforts which the world cannot give, and has immediate recourse by prayer to the Fountain of the water of life. The true believer is convinced, that nothing in this sinful world can satisfy the wants and desires of his immortal soul; he expects his happiness from GOD, as his portion. When faith and hope are most in exercise, the world appears a weary desert, and the believer longs for the joys of heaven, of which he has some foretastes in the ordinances of GOD upon earth.

OLD TESTAMENT



Deuteronomy 15: 1 – 23

Deuteronomy 15: 13

Not let him go away empty.

The Israelites were not allowed to send their slaves away without adequate provision. Love for others demanded that sufficient food and supplies be given to them so that they could get by until they began to earn a living. Similarly, the principle of love and justice under the new covenant requires that we treat our employees with compassion, fairness and justice

NEW TESTAMENT

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Romans 9: 6 – 18

Romans 9: 15

I will have mercy.

This verse emphasizes the freedom of GOD's mercy. HIS overflowing active compassion cannot be earned if controlled by humans. In the end GOD has willed to have mercy not just upon the Jews, but also upon the Gentiles, all people alike.

The Week of prayer for Christian Unity: Jan 18th to Jan 25th

Prepared by the World Council of Churches for Christian Unity.

THEME OF THE YEAR 2024:

You shall love the LORD your GOD..... And your neighbour as yourself (Luke 10: 27)

JANUARY 23: Day 6

Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him (Luke 10: 34)

LORD, turn our churches into 'inns', to welcome those in need.

SCRIPTURE READING:

Genesis 18: 4 – 5

Psalms 5: 11 – 12

PRAYER:

FATHER of love, In JESUS, YOU showed us the meaning of hospitality, by caring for our fragile humanity. Help us to become a community that welcomes those who feel abandoned and lost, building a house where all are welcome. May we come closer to one another as we offer the world YOUR unconditional love. This we pray in the unity of the HOLY SPIRIT.

Amen.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 24th January 2024

Morning

Psalms- 66

Old Testament- Deuteronomy 16: 1 – 12

New Testament- Romans 9: 19 – 24

Evening

Psalms- 67

Old Testament- Deuteronomy 16: 13 – 22

New Testament- Romans 9: 25 – 29

Verses for 24th January 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 66 and 67

Psalms 66:23 – 30

We should declare unto those that fear GOD, what HE has done for our souls, and how HE has heard and answered our prayers, inviting them to join us in prayer and praise; this will turn to our mutual comfort, and to the glory of GOD. We cannot share these spiritual privileges, if we retain the love of sin in our hearts, though we refrain from the gross practice, Sin, regarded in the heart, will spoil the comfort and success of prayer; for the sacrifice of the wicked is an abomination of the LORD. But if the feeling of sin in the heart causes desires to be rid of it; if it be the presence of one urging a demand we know we must not, cannot comply with, this is an argument of sincerity. And when we pray in simplicity and godly sincerity, our prayers will be answered. This will excite gratitude to HIM who hath not turned away our prayer nor HIS mercy from us. It was not prayer that fetched the deliverance, but HIS mercy that sent it. That is the foundation of our hopes, the fountain of our comforts; and ought to be the matter of our praises.

OLD TESTAMENT



Deuteronomy 16: 1 – 22

Deuteronomy 16: 18 – 22

Care is taken for the due administration of Justice.

All personal regards must be laid aside, so that right is done to all, and wrong to none. Care is taken to prevent following the idolatrous customs of the heathen. Nothing belies GOD more, or tends more to corrupt the minds of men, than representing and worshipping, by an image, that God, who is an Almighty and Eternal Spirit, present everywhere. Alas! even in gospel days, and under a better dispensation, established upon better promises, there is a tendency to set up idols, under one form or another, in the human heart.

NEW TESTAMENT



Romans 9: 19 – 29

Romans 9: 22 and 23

Vessels of wrath...vessels of mercy.

The phrase vessels of wrath refers to those being prepared for eternal destruction. People become vessels of wrath by their own sinful acts and rebellion, as Paul stated earlier, but after thy hardness and impenitent heart treasurest up unto thyself wrath. However objects of wrath may still repent, turn to GOD and receive HIS mercy. The phrase vessels of mercy refers to those, both Jew and Gentile, who believe and follow JESUS CHRIST.

The Week of prayer for Christian Unity: Jan 18th to Jan 25th

Prepared by the World Council of Churches for Christian Unity.

THEME OF THE YEAR 2024:

You shall love the LORD your GOD..... And your neighbour as yourself (Luke 10: 27)

JANUARY 24: Day 7

JESUS said: “Which of these three, do you think, was neighbour?” (Luke 10: 36)

LORD, show us how to respond to our neighbour.

SCRIPTURE READING:

Philippians 2: 1 – 5

Psalm 10: 17 – 18

PRAYER:

Holy GOD, YOUR SON JESUS CHRIST came among us to show us the way of compassion. Help us by YOUR SPIRIT to follow HIS example, to serve the needs of all your children, and so give united Christian witness to your ways of love and mercy.

We pray in JESUS' name.

Amen.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 25th January 2024

Morning

Psalms- 68: 1 – 20 & 24 – 35

Old Testament- Deuteronomy 17: 1 – 13

New Testament- Romans 9: 30 – 33

Evening

Psalms- 69: 1 – 21 & 29 – 36

Old Testament- Deuteronomy 17: 14 – 20

New Testament- Romans 10: 1 – 5

Verses for 25th January 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 68 and 69

Psalms 68: 13 – 20

We should declare unto those that fear GOD, what He has done for our souls, and how He has heard and answered our prayers, inviting them to join us in prayer and praise; this will turn to our mutual comfort, and to the glory of GOD. We cannot share these spiritual privileges, if we retain the love of sin in our hearts, though we refrain from the gross practice, Sin, regarded in the heart, will spoil the comfort and success of prayer; for the sacrifice of the wicked is an abomination of the LORD. But if the feeling of sin in the heart causes desires to be rid of it; if it be the presence of one urging a demand we know we must not, cannot comply with, this is an argument of sincerity. And when we pray in simplicity and godly sincerity, our prayers will be answered. This will excite gratitude to Him who hath not turned away our prayer nor His mercy from us. It was not prayer that fetched the deliverance, but His mercy that sent it. That is the foundation of our hopes, the fountain of our comforts; and ought to be the matter of our praises.

OLD TESTAMENT



Deuteronomy 17: 1 – 20

Deuteronomy 17: 7

Keep the evil, away.

The Israelites were commanded to keep themselves pure by removing from their midst those who lived ungodly lives and transgressed the covenant. The New Testament also requires that congregation discipline sinning members and expel those who continue to live in sin and immorality.

NEW TESTAMENT



Romans 9: 30 – 10: 5

Romans 9: 32

They sought it not by faith.

The spiritual condition of the majority of Israel was due to their unwillingness to submit to GOD's plan of salvation through faith in CHRIST. Many Gentiles however, accepted GOD's way of salvation and attained the righteousness that is by faith.

CSI Almanac – 26th January 2024, Friday

**RESPONSIBLE CITIZENSHIP
(Republic Day)**

Old Testament Reading:

Amos 5: 7 – 15

Psalms Reading:

Psalm 146

Epistle Reading:

Romans 13: 1 – 10

Gospel Reading:

Mark 12: 13 – 17

Collect:

GOD who orders life, we give YOU thanks that YOU always create life in midst of chaos. Our LORD JESUS CHRIST taught us to reorder politics and governance by the new order of YOUR kingdom in which hungry may be nourished and the oppressed set free. Grant us grace as people of YOUR kingdom to live as responsible citizens bringing glory to YOUR name through JESUS CHRIST our LORD Who lives and reigns with YOU and the HOLY SPIRIT, one GOD now and forever.

Amen.

(OR)

Almighty GOD, creator of heavens and earth, who calls your people to be nations. As YOU have graciously shared YOUR likeness with humanity, uphold us in YOUR likeness and keep us mindful to embrace people of all races, classes, castes, colour and genders; so that we may be responsible citizens of this nation and truly fulfil YOUR purpose and uphold our responsibilities in ensuring the right of everyone, through JESUS CHRIST, our LORD, who lives and reigns with YOU and the HOLY SPIRIT, one GOD, now and forever.

Amen

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 27th January 2024

Morning

Psalms- 72

Old Testament- Deuteronomy 19: 1 – 10

New Testament- Romans 10: 18 – 21

Evening

Psalms- 73

Old Testament- Deuteronomy 19: 11 – 21

New Testament- Romans 11: 1 – 4

Verses for 27th January 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 72 and 73

Psalms 72: 18 – 20

We are taught to bless GOD in CHRIST, for all he has done for us by HIM.

David is earnest in prayer for the fulfilment of this prophecy and promise. It is sad to think how empty the earth is of the glory of GOD, how little service and honour He has from a world to which He is so bountiful. May we, like David, submit to CHRIST's authority, and partake of His righteousness and peace. May we bless Him for the wonders of redeeming love. May we spend our days, and end our lives, praying for the spread of His gospel.

OLD TESTAMENT



Deuteronomy 19: 1 – 21

Deuteronomy 19: 21

Thine eye shall not pity.

The principle stated is that punishment of crime should be commensurate with the offence, but not excessive. Leniency toward those who harm the innocent and unprotected encourages evil and violence in the land. The New Testament does not abrogate those principle for governing society, but it does forbid the law of retaliation in personal relationships.

NEW TESTAMENT

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Romans 10: 18 – 11: 4

Romans 11: 1

Hath GOD cast away His people?

Paul now explains that GOD's rejection of Israel is only partial and temporary, Israel only partial and temporary, Israel will eventually accept GOD's salvation in CHRIST.

CSI Almanac – 28th January 2024, Sunday

9th Sunday before Easter

THE GOODNESS OF CREATION

Morning Scripture Reading:

Genesis 1: 24 – 31

Psalms 104: 1 – 13

Ephesians 1: 3 – 14

Matthew 6: 9 – 13

Evening Scripture Reading:

Exodus 17: 1 – 6 /

Acts 10: 9 – 16

Collect:

GOD our creator, who created us in YOUR image according to YOUR likeness and redeemed us through the blood of JESUS CHRIST, mark us with the seal of the promised HOLY SPIRIT, forgive our trespasses according to the riches of YOUR grace and reconcile us to the whole creation, so that we, the stewards of creation may cherish the goodness of creation and proclaim YOUR glory along with YOUR handiwork. In the name of the GOD who created everything as good, CHRIST who redeemed all creation and the HOLY SPIRIT who sustains us in divine love, now and evermore. **Amen.**

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 29th January 2024

Morning

Psalms- 76

Old Testament- Deuteronomy 20: 1 – 9

New Testament- Romans 11: 5 – 10

Evening

Psalms- 77

Old Testament- Deuteronomy 20: 10 – 20

New Testament- Romans 11: 11 – 15

Verses for 29th January 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 76 and 77

Psalms 77: 1 – 10

Days of trouble must be days of prayer; when GOD seems to have withdrawn from us, we must seek Him till we find Him. In the day of His trouble the psalmist did not seek for the diversion of business or amusement, but he sought GOD, and His favour and grace. Those that are under trouble of mind, must pray it away. HE poured upon the trouble; the methods that should have relieved Him did but increase His grief. When He remembered GOD, it was only the Divine justice and wrath. His spirit was overwhelmed, and sank under the load. But let not the remembrance of the comforts we have lost, make us unthankful for those that are left. Particularly he called to remembrance the comforts with which he supported himself in former sorrows. Here is the language of a sorrowful, deserted soul, walking in darkness; a common case even among those that fear the LORD, Isaiah 50:10. Nothing wounds and pierces like the thought of GOD's being angry. GOD's own people, in a cloudy and dark day, may be tempted to make wrong conclusions about their spiritual state, and that of GOD's kingdom in the world. But we must not give way to such fears. Let faith answer them from the Scripture. The troubled fountain will work itself clear again; and the recollection of former times of joyful experience often raises a hope, tending to relief. Doubts and fears proceed from the want and

weakness of faith. Despondency and distrust under affliction, are too often the infirmities of believers, and, as such, are to be thought upon by us with sorrow and shame. When, unbelief is working in us, we must thus suppress its risings.

OLD TESTAMENT



Deuteronomy 20: 1 – 20

Deuteronomy 20: 10 – 12

The Israelites are here directed about the nations on whom they made war.

Let this show GOD's grace in dealing with sinners. HE proclaims peace, and beseeches them to be reconciled. Let it also show us our duty in dealing with our brethren. Whoever are for war, we must be for peace. Of the cities given to Israel, none of their inhabitants must be left. Since it could not be expected that they should be cured of their idolatry, they would hurt Israel. These regulations are not the rules of our conduct, but CHRIST's law of love. The horrors of war must fill the feeling heart with anguish upon every recollection; and are proofs of the wickedness of man, the power of Satan, and the just vengeance of GOD, who thus scourges a guilty world. But how dreadful their case who are engaged in unequal conflict with their Maker, who will not submit to render him the easy tribute of worship and praise! Certain ruin awaits them. Let neither the number nor the power of the enemies of our souls dismay us; nor let even our own weakness cause us to tremble or to faint. The LORD will save us; but in this war let none engage whose hearts are fond of the world, or afraid of the cross and the conflict. Care is here taken that in besieging cities the fruit-trees should not be destroyed. GOD is a better friend to man than HE is to HIMSELF; and GOD's law consults our interests and comforts; while our own appetites and passions, which we indulge, are enemies to our welfare. Many of the Divine precepts restrain us from destroying that which is for our life and food. The Jews understand this as forbidding all wilful waste upon any account whatsoever. Every creature of GOD is good; as nothing is to be refused, so nothing is to be abused. We may live to want what we carelessly waste.

NEW TESTAMENT

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Romans 11: 5 – 15

Romans 11: 5

The election of grace.

This phrase refers to the gracious design of GOD in sending HIS SON into the world to save all who believe in HIM. Election proceeds from the saving purpose of GOD before the foundation of the world since the coming of the SAVIOUR and HIS death and resurrection, this choosing includes all who believe and obey CHRIST and the gospel. Thus, both GOD and humans are active in election. The goal of this choosing by grace is to be holy and without blame, in GOD's sight.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 30th January 2024

Morning

Psalms- 78: 1 – 16

Old Testament- Deuteronomy 21: 1 – 14

New Testament- Romans 11: 16 – 24

Evening

Psalms- 78: 17 – 39

Old Testament- Deuteronomy 21: 15 – 23

New Testament- Romans 11: 25 – 27

Verses for 30th January 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 78: 1 – 39

Psalms 78: 9 – 39

Sin dispirits men, and takes away the heart.

Forgetfulness of GOD's works is the cause of disobedience to His laws. This narrative relates a struggle between GOD's goodness and man's badness. The LORD hears all our murmurings and distrusts, and is much displeased. Those that will not believe the power of GOD's mercy, shall feel the fire of his indignation. Those cannot be said to trust in GOD's salvation as their happiness at last, who cannot trust His providence in the way to it. To all that by faith and prayer, ask, seek, and knock, these doors of heaven shall at any time be opened; and our distrust of GOD is a great aggravation of our sins. He expressed his resentment of their provocation; not in denying what they sinfully lusted after, but in granting it to them. Lust is contented with nothing. Those that indulge their lust, will never be estranged from it. Those hearts are hard indeed, that will neither be melted by the mercies of the LORD, nor broken by His judgments. Those that sin still, must expect to be in trouble still. And the reason why we live with so little comfort, and to so little purpose, is, because we do not live by faith. Under these rebukes they professed repentance, but they were not sincere, for they were not constant. In Israel's history we have a picture of our own hearts and lives. GOD's patience, and warnings, and mercies,

embolden them to harden their hearts against His word. And the history of kingdoms is much the same. Judgments and mercies have been little attended to, until the measure of their sins has been full. And higher advantages have not kept churches from declining from the commandments of GOD. Even true believers recollect, that for many a year they abused the kindness of Providence. When they come to heaven, how will they admire the LORD's patience and mercy in bringing them to His kingdom!

OLD TESTAMENT



Deuteronomy 21: 1 – 23

Deuteronomy 21: 10

Thine enemies referred to here are those outside of Canaan.

GOD's people had earlier been instructed not to marry Canaanite people. The instructions given protected the dignity of women captives by forbidding their mistreatment.

NEW TESTAMENT



Romans 11: 16 – 27

Romans 11: 25

Fullness of the Gentiles.

The fullness of the Gentiles signifies the completion of the purpose of GOD in calling out a people from among the Gentiles. It may also be related to a time when their wickedness is full, when sin in the world reaches a full level of rebellion against GOD. At that time CHRIST will come to judge the world.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 31st January 2024

Morning

Psalms- 78: 40 – 55

Old Testament- Deuteronomy 22: 1 – 12

New Testament- Romans 11: 28 – 36

Evening

Psalms- 78: 56 – 72

Old Testament- Deuteronomy 22: 13 – 20

New Testament- Romans 12: 1 – 8

Quiz for 31st January 2024 - from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 78: 40 – 72

- 1) How did Israelites provoke GOD to anger...reference...?

Deuteronomy 22: 1 – 20

- 2) Prolong thy days...reference...?

Romans 11: 28 – 12: 8

- 3) Gifts of the HOLY SPIRIT....reference...?

Verses for 31st January 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 78: 40 – 72

Psalms 78: 56 – 72

After the Israelites were settled in Canaan, the children were like their fathers. GOD gave them HIS testimonies, but they turned back. Presumptuous sins render even Israelites hateful to GOD's holiness, and exposed to HIS justice. Those whom the LORD forsakes become an easy prey to the destroyer. And sooner or later, GOD will disgrace his enemies. HE set a good government over His people; a monarch after his own heart. With good reason does the psalmist make this finishing, crowning

instance of GOD's favour to Israel; for David was a type of CHRIST, the great and good Shepherd, who was humbled first, and then exalted; and of whom it was foretold, that he should be filled with the Spirit of wisdom and understanding. On the uprightness of his heart, and the skilfulness of his hands, all his subjects may rely; and of the increase of his government and peace there shall be no end. Every trial of human nature hitherto, confirms the testimony of Scripture that the heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked, and nothing but being created anew by the HOLY GHOST can cure the ungodliness of any.

OLD TESTAMENT



Deuteronomy 22: 1 – 20

Deuteronomy 22: 5 – 12

GOD's providence extends itself to the smallest affairs, and HIS precepts do so, that even in them we may be in the fear of the LORD, as we are under HIS eye and care. Yet the tendency of these laws, which seem little, is such, that being found among the things of GOD's law, they are to be accounted great things. If we would prove ourselves to be GOD's people, we must have respect to HIS will and to HIS glory, and not to the vain fashions of the world. Even in putting on our garments, as in eating or in drinking, all must be done with a serious regard to preserve our own and others' purity in heart and actions. Our eye should be single, our heart simple, and our behaviour all of a piece.

NEW TESTAMENT



Romans 11: 28 – 12: 8

Romans 12: 33 – 36

O the depth of the.....Knowledge of GOD.

In these verses Paul expresses his awe of GOD and of the profound and humanity incomprehensible wisdom and judgments of GOD in redemptive history related to Israel. What else can be said, than to HIM be the glory forever. Amen.

February 2024

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 1st February 2024

Morning

Psalms- 79: 1 – 5 & 8 – 13

Old Testament- Deuteronomy 23: 1 – 14

New Testament- Romans 12: 9 – 16

Evening

Psalms- 80

Old Testament- Deuteronomy 23: 15 – 25

New Testament- Romans 12: 17 – 21

Quiz for 1st February 2024 - from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 79 and 80

1) A lament for Jerusalem...Psalm number...?

Deuteronomy 23: 1 – 25

2) GOD turned curse to blessings...reference...?

Romans 12: 9 – 21

3) If your enemy hungry....reference...?

Verses for 1st February 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 79 and 80

Psalms 80: 17 – 19

The MESSIAH, the PROTECTOR and SAVIOUR of the church, is the MAN of GOD's Right Hand; HE is the ARM of the LORD, for all power is given to HIM. In HIM is our strength, by which we are enabled to persevere to the end. The vine, therefore, cannot be ruined, nor can any fruitful branch perish; but the unfruitful will be cut off and cast into the fire. The end of our redemption is, that we should serve HIM who hath redeemed us, and not go back to our old sins.

OLD TESTAMENT



Deuteronomy 23: 1 – 25

Deuteronomy 23: 1

He.....shall not enter into the congregation.

This should be understood to mean that the individual was excluded only from active participation in corporate worship. The individual could still enjoy fellowship with GOD and participate in blessings HE provided for all those who had faith on HIM.

NEW TESTAMENT



Romans 12: 9 – 21

Romans 12: 10

Be kindly affectionate one to another.

All those devoted in faith to JESUS CHRIST must be devoted to one another as brothers and sisters in CHRIST, with a sincere, kind and tender affection. We must be concerned for our brothers and sisters' welfare, needs and spiritual condition, sympathizing with them and helping them in their sorrows and troubles. We must honour one another eagerly respecting the good qualities in other believers.

THE PRESENTATION OF CHRIST

(Entry of our LORD in the temple)

Old Testament Reading:

1 Samuel 1: 19 – 28

Psalms Reading:

Psalms 118: 19 – 29

Epistle Reading:

Romans 11: 33 – 12: 2

Gospel Reading:

Luke 2: 22 – 40

Collect:

Merciful GOD, who has opened a gate for us to enter into YOUR presence and give thanks. We pray that YOU accept us as we present ourselves as YOUR incarnate SON, Who as a child was presented to YOU in the temple was received with joy by Simeon and Anna, as the Redeemer of all creation, In order that our bodies would become a living sacrifice and spiritual worship, holy and acceptable to YOU, living always in YOUR presence, Through JESUS CHRIST, who lives and reigns with YOU and the HOLY SPIRIT, one GOD, now and forever more.

Amen.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 3rd February 2024

Morning

Psalms- 83 and 84

Old Testament- Deuteronomy 25: 1 – 10

New Testament- Romans 13: 11 – 14

Evening

Psalms- 85

Old Testament- Deuteronomy 25: 11 – 19

New Testament- Romans 14: 1 – 5

Verses for 3rd February 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 83 – 85

Psalms 84: 1 – 7

The ordinances of GOD are the believer's solace in this evil world; in them he enjoys the presence of the living GOD: this causes him to regret his absence from them. They are to his soul as the nest to the bird. Yet they are only an earnest of the happiness of heaven; but how can men desire to enter that holy habitation, who complain of Divine ordinances as wearisome? Those are truly happy, who go forth, and go on in the exercise of religion, in the strength of the grace of JESUS CHRIST, from whom all our sufficiency is. The pilgrims to the heavenly city may have to pass through many a valley of weeping, and many a thirsty desert; but wells of salvation shall be opened for them, and consolations sent for their support. Those that press forward in their Christian course, shall find GOD add grace to their graces. And those who grow in grace, shall be perfect in glory.

OLD TESTAMENT



Deuteronomy 25: 1 – 19

Deuteronomy 25: 4

Not muzzle the ox.

This command provides that working animals be given sufficient feed to maintain strength and health. They were to be treated humanely and rewarded for their labour. Even more people deserve fair treatment for their labour. The New Testament applies this principle to ministers of the gospel. Those who labour in the ministry be paid reasonable, fair wages.

NEW TESTAMENT

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Romans 13: 11 – 14: 5

Romans 13: 14

Put ye on the LORD JESUS CHRIST.

We must be so united and identified with CHRIST that we imitate HIS life as our pattern for living, adopt HIS principles, obey HIS commands and become like HIM. This calls for a complete rejection of immorality and the acts of the sinful nature.

CSI Almanac – 4th February 2024, Sunday

8th Sunday before Easter

THE FALLEN-NESS OF CREATION

Morning Scripture Reading:

Genesis 3: 1 – 10

Psalms 53

Romans 3: 21 – 26

Matthew 18: 23 – 35

Evening Scripture Reading:

2 Kings 21: 2 – 9 /

1 Timothy 6: 11 – 16

Collect:

GOD of justice, who continues to seek for the lost ones; transform our lives to live a life of justice and righteousness; hold us close to YOU so that we would not fall when we are tempted even with familiar things in life; challenge us to forgive the debts of those who owes to us as YOU have forgiven our debts; sustain us in YOUR wisdom to seek after YOU, So that we may be renewed constantly to be embodiment of YOUR love in our lives every day. This we ask in the name of our LORD and SAVIOUR JESUS CHRIST, Who laid down HIS life as a ransom for our redemption and reigns with YOU along with the HOLY SPIRIT, one GOD, forever and ever.

Amen.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 5th February 2024

Morning

Psalms- 89: 1 – 18

Old Testament- Deuteronomy 26: 1 – 11

New Testament- Romans 14: 6 – 17

Evening

Psalms- 89: 19 – 52

Old Testament- Deuteronomy 26: 12 – 19

New Testament- Romans 14: 13 – 17

Quiz for 5th February 2024 - from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 89

1) Title of this Psalm...?

Deuteronomy 26: 1 – 19

2) Year of tithing...reference...?

Romans 14: 6 – 17

3) Fruit of the HOLY SPIRIT....reference...?

Verses for 5th February 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 89

Psalms 89: 15 – 18

Happy are those who so know the joyful sound of the gospel as to obey it; who experience its power upon their hearts, and bring forth the fruit of it in their lives. Though believers are nothing in themselves, yet having all in CHRIST JESUS, they may rejoice in HIS name. May the LORD enable us to do so. The joy of the LORD is the strength of His people; whereas unbelief dispirits ourselves and discourages others. Though it steals upon us under a semblance of humility, yet it is the very

essence of pride. CHRIST is the Holy One of Israel; and in him was that peculiar people more blessed than in any other blessing.

OLD TESTAMENT



Deuteronomy 26: 1 – 19

Deuteronomy 26: 8 The LORD brought us forth.

The Israelites were expected to remember always that their existence and redemption came about because of what GOD had done for them. They were to confess this truth publicly and respond to GOD with offerings, Thanksgiving, joy, goodness toward others and obedience to GOD's commandments. As believers in CHRIST, we likewise owe our lives and salvation to the mercy of GOD through CHRIST. We have been redeemed and purchased by HIS death and have become HIS own possession. From now on we must live in gratitude as living sacrifices unto our LORD, not being conformed to this world but being transformed by the HOLY SPIRIT, that we may do HIS will.

NEW TESTAMENT



Romans 14: 6 – 17

Romans 14: 13 Let us not ...judge one another.

Though we must refrain from judging each other in trivial matters, believers should consider how to encourage each other to true CHRIST likeness and holiness when it concerns faith, doctrine and morals. This involves sincerity evaluating correcting and rebuking one another in love and humility and when necessary, exercising church discipline.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 6th February 2024

Morning

Psalms- 90

Old Testament- Deuteronomy 27: 1 – 10

New Testament- Romans 14: 18 – 23

Evening

Psalms- 91

Old Testament- Deuteronomy 27: 11 – 26

New Testament- Romans 15: 1 – 6

Quiz for 6th February 2024 - from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 90 and 91

1) Number our days... reference...?

Deuteronomy 27: 1 – 26

2) Where are the commandments to be written...reference...?

Romans 14: 18 – 15: 6

3) Peace and edification....reference...?

Verses for 6th February 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 90 and 91

Psalms 90: 12 – 17

Those who would learn true wisdom, must pray for Divine instruction, must beg to be taught by the HOLY SPIRIT; and for comfort and joy in the returns of GOD's favour. They pray for the mercy of GOD, for they pretend not to plead any merit of their own. HIS favour would be a full fountain of future joys. It would be a sufficient balance to former grief. Let the grace of GOD in us produce the light of good works. And let Divine consolations put gladness into our hearts, and a lustre upon our

countenances. The work of our hands, establish thou it; and, in order to that, establish us in it. Instead of wasting our precious, fleeting days in pursuing fancies, which leave the possessors for ever poor, let us seek the forgiveness of sins, and an inheritance in heaven. Let us pray that the work of the HOLY SPIRIT may appear in converting our hearts, and that the beauty of holiness may be seen in our conduct.

OLD TESTAMENT



Deuteronomy 27: 1 – 26

Deuteronomy 27: 15 Putteth in a secret place.

Many of the sins listed were done in secret Israel thereby acknowledged that a person was accountable to GOD even when he or she was alone. All our actions and thoughts occur in the sight and presence of GOD.

NEW TESTAMENT



Romans 14: 18 – 15: 6

Romans 14: 21 Nor to drink wine.

Three important guidelines are given in Scripture about drinking fermented wine and other alcoholic beverages

1. Drunkenness is a serious sin that will exclude one from the kingdom of GOD
2. Abstinence is commanded because of serious dangers inherently associated with alcohol
3. Christian love will abstain from what might cause another person by example to be led into sin and is made weak.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 7th February 2024

Morning

Psalms- 92 and 93

Old Testament- Deuteronomy 28: 1 – 14

New Testament- Romans 15: 7 – 13

Evening

Psalms- 94

Old Testament- Deuteronomy 28: 15 – 34

New Testament- Romans 15: 14 – 18

Quiz for 7th February 2024 - from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 92; 93 and 94

1) The majesty of the LORD... Psalm number...?

Deuteronomy 28: 1 – 34

2) When shall the LORD establish the Israelites as holy people unto HIMSELF...reference...?

Romans 15: 7 – 18

3) In what are we to glorify....reference...?

Verses for 7th February 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 92; 93 and 94

Psalms 93

The majesty, power, and holiness of CHRIST's kingdom.

The LORD might have displayed only HIS justice, holiness, and awful power, in HIS dealings with fallen men; but HE has been pleased to display the riches of HIS mercy, and the power of HIS renewing grace. In this great work, the FATHER has given all

power to HIS SON, the LORD from heaven, who has made atonement for our sins. HE not only can pardon, but deliver and protect all who trust in HIM.

HIS Word is past, and all the saints may rely upon it. Whatever was foretold concerning the kingdom of the MESSIAH, must be fulfilled in due time. All His people ought to be very strictly pure. God's church is HIS house; it is a holy house, cleansed from sin, and employed in HIS service. Where there is purity, there shall be peace. Let all carefully look if this kingdom is set up in their hearts.

OLD TESTAMENT



Deuteronomy 28: 1 – 34

Deuteronomy 28: 15 It shall come to pass.

Moses prophesied the consequences of turning away from GOD.

Chastisement, destruction great sorrow, captivity and dispersion among the nations.

NEW TESTAMENT

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Romans 15: 7 – 18

Romans 15: 17 I may glory.

It is not wrong to speak excitedly and joyfully about what GOD is doing through us if it is done in a spirit of humility and thankfulness to GOD.

Glorying should not be in mere numbers, but in a ministry that produces the obedience of faith in word and deed and that issues from a genuine work and manifestation of the SPIRIT in power.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 8th February 2024

Morning

Psalms- 95

Old Testament- Deuteronomy 28: 35 – 46

New Testament- Romans 15: 19 – 24

Evening

Psalms- 96

Old Testament- Deuteronomy 28: 47 – 57

New Testament- Romans 15: 25 – 33

Quiz for 8th February 2024 - from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 95 and 96

1) Witnessing... Psalm number...?

Deuteronomy 28: 35 – 57

2) Verse 49....Please mention one cross reference of such incident?

Romans 15: 19 – 33

3) Fruit of the HOLY SPIRIT....reference...?

Verses for 8th February 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 95 and 96

Psalms 96: 1 – 9

When CHRIST finished HIS work on earth, and was received into HIS glory in heaven, the church began to sing a new song unto HIM, and to bless HIS name. His apostles and evangelists showed forth HIS salvation among the heathen, HIS wonders among all people.

All the earth is here summoned to worship the LORD. We must worship HIM in the beauty of holiness, as GOD in CHRIST, reconciling the world unto HIMSELF. Glorious things are said of HIM, both as motives to praise and matter of praise.

OLD TESTAMENT



Deuteronomy 28: 35 – 57

Deuteronomy 28: 49 – 57
A nation against thee.

These verses describe an invasion of the land of Israel that could apply to the Babylonian invasion or to the siege by the Romans in AD 70

NEW TESTAMENT



Romans 15: 19 – 33

Romans 15: 29

The fullness of the blessing...of CHRIST.

Paul's ministry was accompanied by the fullness of CHRIST's blessing, power grace and presence. Whenever he ministered, this blessing would be imparted to other believers.

We who serve the LORD and His churches should seek the same fullness in our ministries.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 9th February 2024

Morning

Psalms- 97

Old Testament- Deuteronomy 28: 58 – 68

New Testament- Romans 16: 1 – 5

Evening

Psalms- 98 and 99

Old Testament- Deuteronomy 29: 1 – 13

New Testament- Romans 16: 6 – 16

Quiz for 9th February 2024 - from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 97; 98 and 99

1) Second Coming ... Reference...?

Deuteronomy 28: 58 – 29: 13

2) Nations that scattered Israel...?

Romans 16: 1 – 16

3) Who was Phoebe...?

Verses for 9th February 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 97; 98 and 99

Psalms 98: 1 – 3

A song of praise for redeeming love is a new song, a mystery hidden from ages and generations.

Converts sing a new song, very different from what they had sung. If the grace of GOD put a new heart into our breasts, it will put a new song into our mouths. Let

this new song be sung to the praise of GOD, in consideration of the wonders he has wrought. The Redeemer has overcome all difficulties in the way of our redemption, and was not discouraged by the services or sufferings appointed HIM.

Let us praise HIM for the discoveries made to the world of the work of redemption; HIS salvation and HIS righteousness fulfilling the prophecies and promises of the Old Testament. In pursuance of this design, GOD raised up HIS SON JESUS to be not only a Light to lighten the Gentiles, but the glory of His people Israel. Surely it behoves us to inquire whether HIS holy arm hath gotten the victory in our hearts, over the power of satan, unbelief, and sin.

If this be our happy case, we shall exchange all light songs of vanity for songs of joy and thanksgiving; our lives will celebrate the Redeemer's praise.

OLD TESTAMENT



Deuteronomy 28: 58 – 29: 13

Deuteronomy 28: 64
Scatter thee among all people.

The scattering of Israel occurred several times throughout their history when they were taken captive by the Assyrians, the Babylonians, the Greeks and the Romans.

NEW TESTAMENT

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Romans 16: 1 – 16

Romans 16: 1

Phoebe was probably the one who delivered this letter to the Romans.

She was servant woman deacon in the church at Cenchrea who ministered to the poor, the sick and the needy, as well as assisted missionaries such as Paul.

Paul's greetings to no less than eight women in this chapter indicate that women performed distinguished service in the churches.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 10th February 2024

Morning

Psalms- 100 and 101

Old Testament- Deuteronomy 29: 14 – 29

New Testament- Romans 16: 17 – 23

Evening

Psalms- 102

Old Testament- Deuteronomy 30: 1 – 14

New Testament- Romans 16: 24 – 27

Verses for 10th February 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 100; 101 and 102

Psalms 102: 1 – 11

The whole word of GOD is of use to direct us in prayer; but here, is often elsewhere, the HOLY GHOST has put words into our mouths. Here is a prayer put into the hands of the afflicted; let them present it to GOD. Even good men may be almost overwhelmed with afflictions. It is our duty and interest to pray; and it is comfort to an afflicted spirit to unburden itself, by a humble representation of its grief's. We must say, blessed be the name of the LORD, who both gives and takes away. The psalmist looked upon himself as a dying man; my days are like a shadow.

OLD TESTAMENT



Deuteronomy 29: 14 – 30: 14

Deuteronomy 30: 3

Gather thee from all the nations.

Moses prophesied a restoration of Israel that would involve repentance and return to GOD, restored fortunes and release from captivity a re-gathering to the LORD, spiritual renewal and prosperity and blessings. The final universal restoration of the remnant of Israel.

NEW TESTAMENT

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Romans 16: 17 – 27

Romans 16: 19

Simple warning concerning evil.

Scripture warns that evil communication corrupts good manners.

JESUS CHRIST gave HIMSELF that HE might deliver us from this evil world.

CSI Almanac – 11th February 2024, Sunday

7th Sunday before Easter

LENT: A TIME OF RECONCILIATION

Morning Scripture Reading:

Genesis 45: 1 – 15

Psalms 85

Ephesians 2: 11 – 22

John 2: 1 – 11

Evening Scripture Reading:

Genesis 26: 22 – 32 /

2 Corinthians 5: 16 – 21

Collect:

Gracious GOD, who loved us in JESUS CHRIST, give us readiness and courage to reconcile with YOU, all people and whole creation, to transcend our barriers and boundaries. Let the time of Lent refresh us with a new perspective of looking at the Cross of CHRIST, through in which, YOU have reconciled with us and whole creation. Strengthen us with YOUR SPIRIT so that we may become YOUR channels of reconciliation in YOUR faith journey; through JESUS CHRIST our LORD, Who lives and reigns with YOU and the HOLY SPIRIT, one GOD, now and ever.

Amen.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 12th February 2024

Morning

Psalms- 104: 24 – 35

Old Testament- Jeremiah 1: 1 – 10

New Testament- Luke 3: 1 – 6

Evening

Psalms- 105: 1 – 22

Old Testament- Jeremiah 1: 11 – 19

New Testament- Luke 3: 7 – 20

Verses for 12th February 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 104: 24 – 35 and 105: 1 – 22

Psalms 104: 31 – 35

Man's glory is fading; GOD's glory is everlasting: creatures change, but with the Creator there is no variableness. And if meditation on the glories of creation be so sweet to the soul, what greater glory appears to the enlightened mind, when contemplating the great work of redemption! There alone can a sinner perceive ground of confidence and joy in GOD. While HE with pleasure upholds all, governs all, and rejoices in all HIS works, let our souls, touched by HIS grace, meditate on HIM and praise HIM.

OLD TESTAMENT



Jeremiah 1: 1 – 19

Jeremiah 1: 8

Be not afraid.

Jeremiah was only a youth at the time of his call, he experienced intense anxiety and fear at the awesome thought of speaking the word of the LORD to the elders of Judah. GOD responded by promising to be with him and to empower him to fulfil that calling.

No matter what your task is in life, GOD always promises HIS abiding presence and help if you remain steadfast in your faith.

NEW TESTAMENT

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Luke 3: 1 – 20

Luke 3: 16

Baptize you with the HOLY GHOST.

CHRIST's baptizing His followers with the HOLY SPIRIT is the new sign by which to identify GOD's people. This was promised in Joel and reaffirmed after CHRIST's resurrection. This prediction was initially fulfilled on the day of the Pentecost.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 13th February 2024

Morning

Psalms- 105: 23 – 45

Old Testament- Jeremiah 2: 1 – 12

New Testament- Luke 3: 21 – 22

Evening

Psalms- 106: 1 – 28 & 42 – 48

Old Testament- Jeremiah 2: 13 – 24

New Testament- Luke 3: 23 – 38

Verses for 13th February 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 105: 23 – 45 and 106: 1 – 28 & 42 – 48

Psalms 105

As the believer commonly thrives best in his soul when under the Cross; so the church also flourishes most in true holiness, and increases in number, while under persecution. Yet instruments shall be raised up for their deliverance, and plagues may be expected by persecutors. And see the special care GOD took of His people in the wilderness. All the benefits bestowed on Israel as a nation, were shadows of spiritual blessings with which we are blessed in CHRIST JESUS. Having redeemed us with HIS blood, restored our souls to holiness, and set us at liberty from Satan's bondage, HE guides and guards us all the way. HE satisfies our souls with the bread of heaven, and the water of life from the Rock of salvation, and will bring us safely to heaven. HE redeems His servants from all iniquity, and purifies them unto HIMSELF, to be a peculiar people, zealous of good works.

OLD TESTAMENT



Jeremiah 2: 1 – 24

Jeremiah 2: 8

Where is the LORD?

The priests were so insensitive to the presence and power of GOD that they did not notice HE had left them, they never wondered why the LORD's presence and blessings were missing in Israel.

Today spiritual leaders should be greatly concerned when GOD's presence and the manifestations of the HOLY SPIRIT are not evident in their congregations. A true servant of GOD will ask, where is the LORD?

NEW TESTAMENT

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Luke 3: 21 – 38

Luke 3: 22

HOLY GHOST descended.....upon HIM.

JESUS who from the beginning had been conceived and indwelt by the HOLY SPIRIT, is now personally anointed and empowered by the SPIRIT for HIS ministry.

CSI Almanac – 14th February 2024, Wednesday

CROSS: A CALL TO SELF- DENIAL

(Ash Wednesday)

Old Testament Reading:

Joel 2: 12 – 20

Psalms Reading:

Psalm 32

Epistle Reading:

Galatians 2: 15 – 21

Gospel Reading:

Luke 9: 23 – 27

Collect:

GOD of life, YOU have called us to be YOUR children in spite of our unworthiness. We have forgotten that it is not 'we' but 'YOU' who lives in us. LORD JESUS CHRIST did not count equality with GOD, made HIMSELF nothing, and took form of a servant to redeem us. Despite this, the human frailty and vulnerability has influenced us to be Self- centered rather CHRIST- centered. Give us wisdom to deny our self, courage to take up the CROSS and follow YOUR dear SON JESUS CHRIST, Through JESUS CHRIST our LORD, who lives and reigns with YOU and the HOLY SPIRIT, one GOD world without end.

Amen.

CSI Almanac – 15th February 2024, Thursday

STEPHEN THE FIRST MARTYR

Old Testament Reading:

2 Chronicles 24: 17 – 22

Psalms Reading:

Psalms 31: 1 – 5

Epistle Reading:

Acts 7: 51 – 60

Gospel Reading:

Matthew 10: 16 – 22

Collect:

Gracious GOD, who gave the first martyr Stephen grace to pray for those who took up stones against him: grant that in all our sufferings for the truth we may learn to love even our enemies and to seek forgiveness for those who desire to hurt us, looking up to heaven to HIM who was crucified for us, JESUS CHRIST our Mediator and Advocate, who lives and reigns with YOU in the unity of the HOLY SPIRIT, one GOD, now and forever.

Amen.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 16th February 2024

Morning

Psalms- 109: 1 – 5 & 21 – 31

Old Testament- Jeremiah 4: 1 – 12

New Testament- Luke 5: 1 – 11

Evening

Psalms- 110

Old Testament- Jeremiah 4: 13 – 21

New Testament- Luke 5: 12 – 16

Quiz for 16th February 2024 - from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 109: 1 – 5 & 21 – 31 and 110

1) Old Testament and New Testament fulfilment...?

Jeremiah 4: 1 – 21

2) Explain verse 6...?

Luke 5: 1 – 16

3) Reference of ...JESUS prayed...?

Verses for 16th February 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 109: 1 – 5 & 21 – 31 and 110

Psalms 109: 21 – 31

The majesty, power, and holiness of CHRIST's kingdom.

The psalmist takes GOD's comforts to himself, but in a very humble manner. He was troubled in mind. His body was wasted, and almost worn away. But it is better to have leanness in the body, while the soul prospers and is in health, than to have leanness in the soul, while the body is feasted. He was ridiculed and reproached by his enemies.

But if GOD bless us, we need not care who curses us; for how can they curse whom GOD has not cursed; nay, whom HE has blessed?

He pleads GOD's glory, and the honour of his name. Save me, not according to my merit, for I pretend to none, but according to thy-mercy. He concludes with the joy of faith, in assurance that his present conflicts would end in triumphs.

Let all that suffer according to the will of GOD, commit the keeping of their souls to him. JESUS, unjustly put to death, and now risen again, is an Advocate and Intercessor for His people, ever ready to appear on their behalf against a corrupt world, and the great accuser.

OLD TESTAMENT



Jeremiah 4: 1 – 21

Jeremiah 4: 10

Thou hast greatly deceived this people.

Many of Judah's prophets had spoken deceptively to GOD's people by giving them false hopes of peace and security, while ignoring their sinful ways. GOD had permitted the people to believe a lie because they had no love for the truth and instead took pleasure in sin.

NEW TESTAMENT



Luke 5: 1 – 16

Luke 5: 16

Prayers of JESUS.

Luke stresses more than the other Gospel writers the place of prayer in the life and ministry of JESUS. When the HOLY SPIRIT descended upon JESUS at the Jordan, HE was praying at times HE withdrew from the multitude and prayed and HE continued all night in prayer before choosing the 12 disciples. HE was alone praying before HE asked His disciples an important question.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 17th February 2024

Morning

Psalms- 111 and 112

Old Testament- Jeremiah 4: 22 – 31

New Testament- Luke 5: 17 – 26

Evening

Psalms- 113 and 114

Old Testament- Jeremiah 5: 1 – 9

New Testament- Luke 5: 27 – 39

Verses for 17th February 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 111 – 114

Psalms 112

The blessedness of the righteous.

We have to praise the LORD that there are a people in the world, who fear HIM and serve HIM, and that they are happy people; which is owing entirely to HIS grace. Their fear is not that which love casts out, but that which love brings in. It follows and flows from love. It is a fear to offend. This is both fear and trust. The heart touched by the SPIRIT of GOD, as the needle touched with the loadstone, turns direct and speedily to GOD, yet still with trembling, being filled with this holy fear. Blessings are laid up for the faithful and their children's children; and true riches are bestowed on them, with as much of this world's possessions as is profitable for them. In the darkest hours of affliction and trial, the light of hope and peace will spring up within them, and seasonable relief shall turn mourning into joy. From their LORD's example they learn to be kind and full of compassion, as well as just in all their dealings; they use discretion that they may be liberal in that manner which appears most likely to do good. Envy and slander may for a time hide their true characters here, but they shall be had in everlasting remembrance. They need not fear evil tidings. A good man shall have a settled spirit. And it is the endeavour of

true believers to keep their minds stayed upon GOD, and so to keep them calm and undisturbed; and GOD has promised them both cause to do so, and grace to do so. Trusting in the LORD is the best and surest way of establishing the heart. The heart of man cannot fix anywhere with satisfaction, but in the truth of GOD, and there it finds firm footing. And those whose hearts are established by faith, will patiently wait till they gain their point. Compare all this with the vexation of sinners. The happiness of the saints is the envy of the wicked. The desire of the wicked shall perish; their desire was wholly to the world and the flesh, therefore when these perish, their joy is gone. But the blessings of the gospel are spiritual and eternal, and are conferred upon the members of the Christian church, through CHRIST their Head, who is the Pattern of all righteousness, and the Giver of all grace.

OLD TESTAMENT



Jeremiah 4: 22 – 5: 9

Jeremiah 4: 19 – 22

I am pained in my heart.

Jeremiah experienced GOD's agony for Judah and expressed the pain and sorrow that the LORD felt at the coming desolation. Likewise, believers should feel sorrow at the thought of men and women being taken captive and destroyed by sin and satan. The terrible future of the lost should cause us to lament as JESUS did when HE expressed intense grief over the lost spiritual condition of Jerusalem.

NEW TESTAMENT

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Luke 5: 17 – 39

Luke 5: 18

A man was brought on a bed...

The friends of the paralysed man had strong faith that JESUS could heal him, as seen by their determination to present him to JESUS. We too must believe that CHRIST can meet the needs of those we know, using every opportunity to bring them to JESUS. GOD's SPIRIT will open up such opportunities if we desire to lead others to CHRIST.

CSI Almanac – 18th February 2024, Sunday

6th Sunday before Easter

1st Sunday in Lent

TOUCHING THE “UNTOUCHABLE”

Morning Scripture Reading:

2 Kings 5: 1 – 10

Psalms 10: 1 – 12

Hebrews 13: 8 – 17

Matthew 8: 1 – 4

Evening Scripture Reading:

Genesis 16: 7 – 16 /

Romans 15: 7 – 13

Collect:

GOD of equality, we thank YOU for creating us in YOUR image. We have distorted YOUR image by creating caste, class, colour divide, in our own living situations. We praise YOU for YOUR SON JESUS CHRIST who broke the barriers by touching the so called untouchables, recognizing the un-recognized and speaking with the unspoken thus giving the experience of liberation. Bestow YOUR strength in us so that we could affirm life in all its fullness to the people who are deprived of their life.

Through JESUS CHRIST our LORD, who lives and reigns with YOU and the HOLY SPIRIT, one GOD world without end.

Amen.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 19th February 2024

Morning

Psalms- 118

Old Testament- Jeremiah 5: 10 – 19

New Testament- Luke 6: 1 – 11

Evening

Psalms- 119: 1 – 24

Old Testament- Jeremiah 5: 20 – 31

New Testament- Luke 6: 12 – 16

Quiz for 19th February 2024 - from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 118 and 119: 1 – 24

- 1) Old Testament Prophecy and New Testament fulfilment...?

Jeremiah 5: 10 – 31

- 2) Reference...have eyes not see...ears...?

Luke 6: 1 – 16

- 3) What did JESUS do before selecting 12 disciples...reference...?

Verses for 19th February 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 118 and 119: 1 – 24

Psalms 119

The general scope and design of this psalm is to magnify the Divine law, and make it honourable. There are ten words by which Divine revelation is called in this psalm, and each expresses what GOD expects from us, and what we may expect from him:

1. GOD's law; this is enacted by HIM as our Sovereign.
2. HIS way; this is the rule of HIS providence.

3. HIS testimonies; they are solemnly declared to the world.
4. HIS commandments; given with authority.
5. HIS precepts; not left as indifferent matters to us.
6. HIS word, or saying; it is the declaration of his mind.
7. HIS judgments; framed in infinite wisdom.
8. HIS righteousness; it is the rule and standard of what is right.
9. HIS statutes; they are always binding.
10. HIS truth or faithfulness; it is eternal truth, it shall endure for ever.

OLD TESTAMENT



Jeremiah 5: 10 – 31

Jeremiah 5: 12

Neither shall evil come upon us.

The temptation is always strong to believe that GOD will overlook our sins and not send the judgment about which HIS Word warns. Many of GOD's people tend to claim the promises but doubt the warnings.

NEW TESTAMENT



Luke 6: 1 – 16

Luke 6: 2 – 10

LORD...of the Sabbath.

Though the Pharisees accuse JESUS of breaking the Sabbath, in reality HE broke only their extreme interpretation of it. JESUS states that Sabbath observance must not degenerate into a ritual to be kept at the cost of the essential needs of humans. CHRIST is the LORD of the Sabbath, the Sabbath should be used to come away from daily work and pursuit of material gain and turn to GOD as a pledge that HE is LORD over all of life. Furthermore JESUS words and actions teach us that the LORD's Day should be an opportunity to help those in need, spiritually as well as physically.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 20th February 2024

Morning

Psalms- 119: 25 – 48

Old Testament- Jeremiah 6: 1 – 8

New Testament- Luke 6: 17 – 26

Evening

Psalms- 119: 49 – 72

Old Testament- Jeremiah 6: 9 – 15

New Testament- Luke 6: 27 – 38

Quiz for 20th February 2024 - from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 119: 25 – 72

- 1) Living the LORD's way...reference...?

Jeremiah 6: 1 – 15

- 2) Explain verse 14...?

Luke 6: 17 – 38

- 3) Healing...reference...?

Verses for 20th February 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 119: 25 – 72

Psalms 119: 25 – 32

While the souls of the children of this world cleave to the earth as their portion, the children of light are greatly burdened, because of the remains of carnal affections in their hearts. It is unspeakable comfort to a gracious soul, to think with what tenderness all its complaints are received by a gracious GOD. We can talk of the wonders of redeeming love, when we understand the way of GOD's precepts, and

walk in that way. The penitent melts in sorrow for sin: even the patient spirit may melt in the sense of affliction, it is then its interest to pour out its soul before GOD. The way of lying means all false ways by which men deceive themselves and others, or are deceived by Satan and his instruments. Those who know and love the law of the LORD, desire to know it more, and love it better. The way of serious godliness is the way of truth; the only true way to happiness: we must always have actual regard to it. Those who stick to the word of GOD, may in faith expect and pray for acceptance with GOD. LORD, never leave me to do that by which I shall shame myself, and do not thou reject my services. Those that are going to heaven, should still press forward. GOD, by HIS SPIRIT, enlarges the hearts of His people when HE gives them wisdom. The believer prays to be set free from sin.

OLD TESTAMENT



Jeremiah 6: 1 – 15

Jeremiah 6: 14

Peace, peace, when there is no peace.

The false prophets were preaching a message of false security, instead of warning the people of the coming judgement and of the need to repent, they told them there was nothing to fear.

NEW TESTAMENT



Luke 6: 17 – 38

Luke 6: 24

Woe unto you that are rich.

JESUS is speaking to those who centre their lives, purpose, happiness or goals primarily in material things if in the pursuit of great wealth.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 21st February 2024

Morning

Psalms- 119: 73 – 96

Old Testament- Jeremiah 6: 16 – 30

New Testament- Luke 6: 39 – 49

Evening

Psalms- 119: 97 – 120

Old Testament- Jeremiah 7: 1 – 10

New Testament- Luke 7: 1 – 10

Quiz for 21st February 2024 - from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 119: 73 – 120

1) Refrained my feet...reference...?

Jeremiah 6: 16 – 7: 10

2) Amend your ways...reference...?

Luke 6: 39 – 7: 10

3) Fruit of the HOLY SPIRIT...reference...?

Verses for 21st February 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 119: 73 – 120

Psalms 119: 73 – 80

GOD made us to serve HIM, and enjoy HIM; but by sin we have made ourselves unfit to serve HIM, and to enjoy HIM. We ought, therefore, continually to beseech him, by HIS HOLY SPIRIT, to give us understanding. The comforts some have in GOD, should be matter of joy to others. But it is easy to own, that GOD's judgments are right, until it comes to be our own case. All supports under affliction must come from mercy and compassion. The mercies of GOD are tender mercies; the mercies of

a father, the compassion of a mother to her son. They come to us when we are not able to go to them. Causeless reproach does not hurt, and should not move us. The psalmist could go on in the way of his duty, and find comfort in it. He valued the good will of saints, and was desirous to keep up his communion with them. Soundness of heart signifies sincerity in dependence on GOD, and devotedness to HIM.

OLD TESTAMENT



Jeremiah 6: 16 – 7: 10

Jeremiah 7: 3

Amend your ways.

GOD gives yet another call to the people to repent of their evil ways, however, as long as they believed they were secure simply because of the temple and its ritual, they saw no need to repent.

NEW TESTAMENT



Luke 6: 39 – 7: 10

Luke 6: 45

The heart.

The heart, the centre of our being, determines our outward behaviour and must be regenerated and changed. Regeneration is necessary because all people, prior to turning to CHRIST, are in their inherent natures sinners who are spiritually dead, and who are incapable of obeying and pleasing. Regeneration comes to those who repent of sin, turn to GOD and put their faith in the LORD JESUS.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 22nd February 2024

Morning

Psalms- 119: 121 – 144

Old Testament- Jeremiah 7: 11 – 20

New Testament- Luke 7: 11 – 23

Evening

Psalms- 119: 145 – 160

Old Testament- Jeremiah 7: 21 – 34

New Testament- Luke 7: 24 – 35

Quiz for 22nd February 2024 - from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 119: 121 – 160

- 1) The LORD is near...reference...?

Jeremiah 7: 11 – 34

- 2) What was valley of Hinnom known for...?

Luke 7: 11 – 35

- 3) What did JESUS say to the widow...?

Verses for 22nd February 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 119: 121 – 160

Psalms 119: 153 – 160

The closer we cleave to the word of GOD, both as our rule and as our stay, the more assurance we have of deliverance. CHRIST is the Advocate of His people, their Redeemer. Those who were quickened by HIS Spirit and grace, when they were dead in trespasses and sins, often need to have the work of grace revived in them, according to the Word of promise. The wicked do not follow GOD's statutes, and they do not even seek them. They flatter themselves that they are going to heaven; but the longer they persist in sin, the further it is from them. GOD's mercies are

tender; they are a fountain that can never be exhausted. The psalmist begs for GOD's reviving, quickening grace. A man, steady in the way of his duty, though he may have many enemies, needs to fear none. Those that hate sin truly, hate it as sin, as a transgression of the law of GOD, and a breaking of HIS WORD. Our obedience is only pleasing to GOD, and pleasant to ourselves, when it comes from a principle of love. All, in every age, who receive GOD's Word in faith and love, find every saying in it faithful.

OLD TESTAMENT



Jeremiah 7: 11 – 34

Jeremiah 7: 12 Shiloh.

Shiloh, about 18 miles north of Jerusalem, housed the tabernacle during the time of the judges.

Jeremiah maintains that Shiloh was destroyed because of the sins of the people, the same fate awaited Jerusalem and its temple if the people did not change their sinful ways.

NEW TESTAMENT



Luke 7: 11 – 35

Luke 7: 13 HE had compassion on her.

JESUS compassion for this widow shows that GOD has a special love and care for widows or for any person who is alone in the world. Scripture teaches the following.

1. GOD is the FATHER to the fatherless and defender of widows'. They are under HIS special care and protection
2. By means of the tithe and the abundance of His people, GOD provides for the fatherless and the widows.
3. HE blesses those who help and honour them. HE is against those who take advantage of or hurt widows, one aspect of true faith is to look after orphans and widows in their distress.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 23rd February 2024

Morning

Psalms- 120 to 122

Old Testament- Jeremiah 8: 1 – 10

New Testament- Luke 7: 36 – 50

Evening

Psalms- 123 to 125

Old Testament- Jeremiah 8: 11 – 22

New Testament- Luke 8: 1 – 3

Quiz for 23rd February 2024 - from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 120 – 125

1) The peace of Jerusalem...Psalm number...?

Jeremiah 8: 1 – 22

2) Please explain briefly verse 7...?

Luke 7: 36 – 8: 3

3) What did JESUS say to the widow...?

Verses for 23rd February 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 120 – 125

Psalms 121

The safety of the godly.

We must not rely upon men and means, instruments and second causes. Shall I depend upon the strength of the hills, upon princes and great men? No; my confidence is in GOD only.

We must lift up our eyes above the hills; we must look to GOD who makes all earthly things to us what they are. We must see all our help in GOD; from HIM we must

expect it, in HIS own way and time. This psalm teaches us to comfort ourselves in the LORD, when difficulties and dangers are greatest. It is almighty wisdom that contrives, and almighty power that works the safety of those that put themselves under GOD's protection. HE is a wakeful, watchful Keeper; HE is never weary; HE not only does not sleep, but HE does not so much as slumber. Under this shade they may sit with delight and assurance. HE is always near His people for their protection and refreshment. The right hand is the working hand; let them but turn to their duty, and they shall find GOD ready to give them success. HE will take care that His people shall not fall. Thou shalt not be hurt, neither by the open assaults, nor by the secret attempts of thine enemies. The LORD shall prevent the evil thou fearest, and sanctify, remove, or lighten the evil thou feelest. HE will preserve the soul, that it be not defiled by sin, and disturbed by affliction; HE will preserve it from perishing eternally. HE will keep thee in life and death; going out to thy labour in the morning of thy days, and coming home to thy rest when the evening of old age calls thee in. It is a protection for life. The Spirit, who is their Preserver and Comforter, shall abide with them for ever. Let us be found in our work, assured that the blessings promised in this psalm are ours.

OLD TESTAMENT



Jeremiah 8: 1 – 22

Jeremiah 8: 12

They were not at all ashamed.

The people had reached a stage of apostasy where they would never repent, all shame and remorse for sin was gone. Their impending judgment awaited only the day GOD's visitation. Church members today reach this same stage of apostasy when they reject GOD's Word and commit the sort of abominable sins described by Paul in Rome.

NEW TESTAMENT



Luke 7: 36 – 8: 3

Luke 8: 3

Ministered unto HIM.

These women who had received healing and special care from JESUS honoured HIM by faithfully contributing support and services for JESUS.

The service and devotion continue to be an example for every woman who believes in HIM. To the extent that you minister to HIM, the words apply to you.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 24th February 2024

Morning

Psalms- 126 to 128

Old Testament- Jeremiah 9: 1 – 12

New Testament- Luke 8: 4 – 15

Evening

Psalms- 129 to 131

Old Testament- Jeremiah 9: 13 – 26

New Testament- Luke 8: 16 – 21

Verses for 24th February 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 126 – 131

Psalms 127

The value of the Divine blessing.

Let us always look to GOD's providence. In all the affairs and business of a family we must depend upon his blessing.

1. For raising a family:

If GOD be not acknowledged, we have no reason to expect HIS blessing; and the best-laid plans fail, unless HE crowns them with success.

2. For the safety of a family or a city:

Except the LORD keep the city, the watchmen, though they neither slumber nor sleep, wake but in vain; mischief may break out, which even early discoveries may not be able to prevent.

3. For enriching a family.

Some are so eager upon the world, that they are continually full of care, which makes their comforts bitter, and their lives a burden. All this is to get money; but all in vain, except GOD prosper them: while those who love the LORD, using due

diligence in their lawful callings, and casting all their care upon HIM, have needful success, without uneasiness or vexation. Our care must be to keep ourselves in the love of GOD; then we may be easy, whether we have little or much of this world. But we must use the proper means very diligently.

Children are GOD's gifts, a heritage, and a reward; and are to be accounted blessings, and not burdens: he who sends mouths, will send meat, if we trust in HIM. They are a great support and defence to a family. Children who are young, may be directed right to the mark, GOD's glory, and the service of their generation; but when they are gone into the world, they are arrows out of the hand, it is too late to direct them then. But these arrows in the hand too often prove arrows in the heart, a grief to godly parents. Yet, if trained according to GOD's word, they generally prove the best defence in declining years, remembering their obligations to their parents, and taking care of them in old age. All earthly comforts are uncertain, but the LORD will assuredly comfort and bless those who serve HIM; and those who seek the conversion of sinners, will find that their spiritual children are their joy and crown in the day of JESUS CHRIST.

OLD TESTAMENT



Jeremiah 9: 1 – 26

Jeremiah 9: 24

Let him that glorieth glory in this.

We must not boast in worldly knowledge, human ability or earthly riches, instead we must exult and rejoice only in our personal relationship with the LORD and in HIS grace, which enables us to live righteously. All earthly values pale in-significance when compared to a knowledge of GOD. True worth consists in committing ourselves to the LORD GOD and HIS standards and in allowing HIM to fill us with HIS HOLY SPIRIT.

NEW TESTAMENT

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Luke 8: 4 – 21

Luke 8: 14

Choked with cares and riches.

We who believe in JESUS must always be careful that worldly responsibilities, abundance or pleasures do not absorb our thoughts until our spiritual life is altogether destroyed. These kinds of thorns/ weeds can slowly but surely choke the Word from our lives. Let each of us ask- What is happening in my life? Am I being caught up more and more in the temporal things of life? Or Is the Word of GOD and heavenly things becoming more important as time goes by?

CSI Almanac – 25th February 2024, Sunday

5th Sunday before Easter

2nd Sunday in Lent

LIFE SAVING FAITH

Morning Scripture Reading:

2 Kings 4: 1 – 7

Psalms 72

Acts 5: 12 – 16

Luke 5: 17 – 26

Evening Scripture Reading:

Genesis 22: 1 – 14 /

Hebrews 11: 1 – 12

Collect:

O GOD, the author of our life, YOU have called us to be dynamic and active to connect together to create life – saving networks. Give us lifesaving faith to become friends to the needy, support the weak, comfort the sick and be channels of your healing. Empower us to be committed to the needs of the little-ones around us and bring our fellow humans to YOUR space so that we may be transformed as useful instruments in YOUR healing hands. Through JESUS CHRIST our LORD, Who lives and reigns with YOU and the HOLY SPIRIT, one GOD, now and ever.

Amen.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 26th February 2024

Morning

Psalms- 136

Old Testament- Jeremiah 10: 1 – 11

New Testament- Luke 8: 22 – 25

Evening

Psalms- 137: 1 – 6 and Psalms 138

Old Testament- Jeremiah 10: 12 – 25

New Testament- Luke 8: 26 – 39

Quiz for 26th February 2024 - from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 136; 137: 1 – 6 and Psalms 138

1) A psalm of David...?

Jeremiah 10: 1 – 25

2) Please explain briefly verse 23...?

Luke 8: 22 – 39

3) What did JESUS say to His disciples after rebuking the wind and raging of water...reference...?

Verses for 26th February 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 136; 137: 1 – 6 and Psalms 138

Psalms 136: 23 – 26

GOD's everlasting mercy is here praised for the redemption of His church; in all HIS glories, and all HIS gifts. Blessed be GOD, who has provided and made known to us salvation through HIS SON. May we know and feel HIS redeeming power that we may serve HIM in righteousness all our days. May HE who giveth food to all flesh, feed our souls unto eternal life, and enliven our affections by HIS grace, that we may

give thanks and praise to HIS holy name, for HIS mercy endureth for ever. Let us trace up all the favours we receive to this true source, and offer praise continually.

OLD TESTAMENT



Jeremiah 10: 1 – 25

Jeremiah 10: 2 – 16

Learn not the way of the heathen.

Because of the threat of the Babylonian invasion, the people turned more to idols and to the astrology and spiritism of the surrounding nations. Jeremiah warns the people against such action, declaring the LORD GOD is the one true GOD who created all things.

NEW TESTAMENT



Luke 8: 22 – 39

Luke 8: 22 – 33

A certain man, who had devils.

A demonised person is one whose personality is subject to demons and their dark, oppressive influence. This is one of the ways satan keeps people in bondage to sin and destructive behavioural patterns.

JESUS came to set captives free and to destroy the works of the devil.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 27th February 2024

Morning

Psalms- 139

Old Testament- Jeremiah 11: 1 – 8

New Testament- Luke 8: 40 – 48

Evening

Psalms- 140: 1 – 8 & 12 – 13 and Psalms 141

Old Testament- Jeremiah 11: 9 – 17

New Testament- Luke 8: 49 – 56

Quiz for 27th February 2024 - from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms- 139; Psalms 140: 1 – 8 & 12 – 13 and Psalms 141

1) Let the righteous smite me...reference?

Jeremiah 11: 1 – 17

2) Walking in obedience and righteousness reference...?

Luke 8: 40 – 56

3) Faith that moves mountains...reference?

Verses for 27th February 2024

PSALMS



Psalms- 139; Psalms 140: 1 – 8 & 12 – 13 and Psalms 141

Psalms 140: 1 – 4

Make haste unto me.

Those that know how to value GOD's gracious presence, will be the more fervent in their prayers. When presented through the sacrifice and intercession of the SAVIOUR, they will be as acceptable to GOD as the daily sacrifices and burnings of incense were of old.

Prayer is a spiritual sacrifice, it is the offering up the soul and its best affections. Good men know the evil of tongue sins. When enemies are provoking, we are in danger of speaking unadvisedly. While we live in an evil world, and have such evil hearts, we have need to pray that we may neither be drawn nor driven to do anything sinful. Sinners pretend to find dainties in sin; but those that consider how soon sin will turn into bitterness, will dread such dainties, and pray to GOD to take them out of their sight, and by HIS grace to turn their hearts against them.

Good men pray against the seeds of sin.

OLD TESTAMENT



Jeremiah 11: 1 – 17

Jeremiah 11: 3

Cursed be the man that obeyeth not.

Israel had made a covenant with GOD, promising to obey HIM as their LORD and GOD. In return HE would be their GOD and would give them the deed to the land of Canaan and the protection that they needed. But the people had persisted in disobedience and turned to other gods, thus the covenant curses for disobedience would go into effect.

NEW TESTAMENT



Luke 8: 40 – 56

Luke 8: 50

Fear not believe only.

The daughter of the synagogue ruler died. JESUS response was to encourage the father's faith, even in this seemingly hopeless situation. Throughout redemptive history, believers have placed their trust in GOD even when it seemed as if all was lost. In such times, GOD gave the necessary faith and delivered His people according to HIS will and purpose.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 28th February 2024

Morning

Psalms- 142 and 143

Old Testament- Jeremiah 11: 18 – 23

New Testament- Luke 9: 1 – 9

Evening

Psalms- 144

Old Testament- Jeremiah 12: 1 – 6

New Testament- Luke 9: 10 – 17

Quiz for 28th February 2024 - from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms- 142; 143 and 144

1) Overcoming the world and Worldliness...reference?

Jeremiah 11: 18 – 12: 6

2) Significance of Anathoth...?

Luke 9: 1 – 17

3) Healing...reference?

Verses for 28th February 2024

PSALMS



Psalms- 142; 143 and 144

Psalms 143: 1 – 6

We have no righteousness of our own to plead, therefore must plead GOD's righteousness, and the word of promise which HE has freely given us, and caused us to hope in. David, before he prays for the removal of his trouble, prays for the pardon of his sin, and depends upon mercy alone for it. He bemoans the weight upon his mind from outward troubles. But he looks back, and remembers GOD's former appearance for his afflicted people, and for him in particular. He looks round,

and notices the works of GOD. The more we consider the power of GOD, the less we shall fear the face or force of man. He looks up with earnest desires towards GOD and HIS favour. This is the best course we can take, when our spirits are overwhelmed. The believer will not forget, that in his best actions he is a sinner. Meditation and prayer will recover us from distresses; and then the mourning soul strives to return to the LORD as the infant stretches out its hands to the indulgent mother, and thirsts for his consolations as the parched ground for refreshing rain.

OLD TESTAMENT



Jeremiah 11: 18 – 12: 6

Jeremiah 11: 19 – 23 **Devised devices against me.**

A number of men of Anathoth plotted against Jeremiah, they wanted to kill him because he had remained faithful to the LORD GOD and exposed their sins and idolatry. GOD assured the prophet that the conspirators would neither succeed in their plot nor survive the day of punishment. Jeremiah continued to proclaim the word of the LORD despite persecution.

NEW TESTAMENT



Luke 9: 1 – 17

Luke 9: 2 **Preach the kingdom....heal the sick.**

This is the first time JESUS sent out the 12 disciples to represent HIM by word and deed. The instructions given to the 12, according to the parallel passage in Matthew, was to go to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. After HIS resurrection, however, JESUS changed the scope to encompass all nations in a commission that is to continue to the very end of the age. The Gospel writers make it clear that JESUS command to preach the Kingdom of GOD was seldom given apart from the command to heal the sick and to drive out demons. GOD intends that the presentation of the Gospel today be accompanied by the same demonstration of the Spirit and of power.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 29th February 2024

Morning

Psalms- 145

Old Testament- Jeremiah 12: 7 – 17

New Testament- Luke 9: 18 – 27

Evening

Psalms- 146

Old Testament- Jeremiah 13: 1 – 11

New Testament- Luke 9: 28 – 36

Quiz for 29th February 2024 - from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms- 145 and 146

- 1) Put not your _____ in _____, nor in the _____ of _____, in whom there is no _____.

Jeremiah 12: 7 – 13: 11

- 2) Girdle cleaveth...reference...?

Luke 9: 18 – 36

- 3) Cross reference of verse 22...?

Verses for 29th February 2024

PSALMS



Psalms- 145 and 146

Psalms- 145: 1 – 4

If it is our delight to praise the LORD while we live, we shall certainly praise HIM to all eternity. With this glorious prospect before us, how low do worldly pursuits seem! There is a SON of MAN in whom there is help, in him who is also the SON of GOD, who will not fail those that trust in HIM. But all other sons of men are like the man from whom they sprung, who, being in honour, did not abide. GOD has given

the earth to the children of men, but there is great striving about it. Yet, after a while, no part of the earth will be their own, except that in which their dead bodies are laid. And when man returns to his earth, in that very day all his plans and designs vanish and are gone: what then comes of expectations from him?

OLD TESTAMENT



Jeremiah 12: 7 – 13: 11

Jeremiah 12: 7 – 13

I have forsaken mine house.

The LORD HIMSELF laments the deplorable spiritual condition of the people and the desolation coming upon the land. GOD experiences immense pain and sorrow whenever HE must deliver His people over to the consequences of their sins.

NEW TESTAMENT



Luke 9: 18 – 36

Luke 9: 23

Take up the cross daily.

Accepting JESUS as LORD and SAVIOUR demands not only believing the truth of the Gospel, but also committing ourselves to sacrificially follow HIM. The choice between denying ourselves or living for our own selfish desires must be made daily. That choice will determine our eternal destiny.

March 2024

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 1st March 2024

Morning

Psalms- 1; 2 and 5

Old Testament- Jeremiah 13: 12 – 19

New Testament- Luke 9: 37 – 45

Evening

Psalms- 3 and 4

Old Testament- Jeremiah 13: 20 – 27

New Testament- Luke 9: 46 – 56

Quiz for 1st March 2024 - from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 1 – 5

1) The LORD will hear when I call unto HIM...reference?

Jeremiah 13: 12 – 27

2) Advice to the king and queen... reference...?

Luke 9: 37 – 56

3) True discipleship...reference?

Verses for 1st March 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 1 – 5

Psalms 2: 7 – 9

The kingdom of the MESSIAH is founded upon an eternal decree of GOD the FATHER. This our LORD JESUS often referred to, as what HE governed HIMSELF by. GOD hath said unto HIM, THOU art my SON, and it becomes each of us to say to HIM, THOU art my LORD, my SOVEREIGN'.

The SON, in asking the heathen for HIS inheritance, desires their happiness in HIM; so that HE pleads for them, ever lives to do so, and is able to save to the uttermost, and HE shall have multitudes of willing, loyal subjects, among them. Christians are the possession of the LORD JESUS; they are to HIM for a name and a praise. GOD the FATHER gives them to HIM, when, by HIS Spirit and grace, HE works upon them to submit to the LORD JESUS.

OLD TESTAMENT



Jeremiah 13: 12 – 27

Jeremiah 13: 22

The greatness of thine iniquity.

When judgement came, the people had to know that it was happening to them because of their many sins, they were so accustomed to doing evil that they could change they didn't.

NEW TESTAMENT



Luke 9: 37 – 56

Luke 9: 55

What ...spirit ye are of.

We must be careful that our loyalty to and zeal for CHRIST do not conceal a harsh and vengeful spirit toward the unsaved who live in darkness and sin.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 2nd March 2024

Morning

Psalms- 8 and 9

Old Testament- Jeremiah 14: 1 – 9

New Testament- Luke 9: 57 – 62

Evening

Psalms- 6 and 7

Old Testament- Jeremiah 14: 10 – 18

New Testament- Luke 10: 1 – 10

Verses for 2nd March 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 6 – 9

Psalms 8: 5

With glory and honour.

This psalm expresses the amazing honour that GOD has bestowed upon humankind. It affirms that we as humans were created by GOD for a glorious purpose, we are perfectly humans, and we are not animals- the product of natural evolution and chance. So valuable are we to GOD that we are special objects of HIS concern and favour. HE has honoured us by choosing us to rule over HIS creation, yet the consciousness of our favoured position is no reason for praising ourselves, but a reason for giving thanks and glory to the Creator.

OLD TESTAMENT



Jeremiah 14: 1 – 18

Jeremiah 14: 14**The prophets prophesy lies.**

GOD's people must be aware that some prophets among them may prophesy lies and falsely claim to have received visions from the LORD, for this reason all prophets must be tested according to Biblical standards.

NEW TESTAMENT

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Luke 9: 57 – 10: 10**Luke 10: 3****Lambs among wolves.**

Believers who faithfully follow the will of GOD will be threatened by many dangers. They will be like defenceless lambs among wolves. Knowing this we must pray for GOD's presence, protection and provision.

CSI Almanac – 3rd March 2024, Sunday

4th Sunday before Easter

3rd Sunday in Lent

PERSISTENCE IN PRAYER

Morning Scripture Reading:

2 Kings 20: 1 – 11

Psalms 116

1 Thessalonians 5: 12 – 22

Mark 7: 24 – 30

Evening Scripture Reading:

Nehemiah 1: 1 – 11 /

Jude 1: 17 – 23

Collect:

Creator GOD, YOUR knowledge and wisdom surpasses every human imagination and understanding. Though YOU have set YOUR ways before us, we have followed our own ways resulting in damaged relationship in creation, among fellow human beings and in acknowledging YOUR guidance for us. Enable us to faithfully commit ourselves in prayer through JESUS CHRIST our LORD, who lives and reigns with YOU and the HOLY SPIRIT, one GOD, now and forever.

Amen.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 4th March 2024

Morning

Psalms- 15 and 16

Old Testament- Jeremiah 14: 19 – 22

New Testament- Luke 10: 17 – 24

Evening

Psalms- 17

Old Testament- Jeremiah 15: 1 – 9

New Testament- Luke 10: 25 – 37

Quiz for 4th March 2024 - from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 15 – 17

- 1) Old Testament prophecy and New Testament fulfilment...?

Jeremiah 14: 19 – 15: 9

- 2) Reason for GOD's judgement on Judah... reference...?

Luke 10: 17 – 37

- 3) Victory over satan and demons...reference?

Verses for 4th March 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 15 to 17

Psalms 17: 1 – 7

This psalm is a prayer.

Feigned prayers are fruitless; but if our hearts lead our prayers, GOD will meet them with HIS favour.

The psalmist had been used to pray, so that it was not his distress and danger that now first brought him to his duty. And he was encouraged by his faith to expect GOD would notice his prayers. Constant resolution and watchfulness against sins of the tongue, will be a good evidence of our integrity. Aware of man's propensity to

wicked works, and of his own peculiar temptations, David had made GOD's word his preservative from the paths of satan, which lead to destruction. If we carefully avoid the paths of sin, it will be very lead to destruction. If we carefully avoid the paths of sin, it will be very comfortable in the reflection, when we are in trouble. Those that are, through grace, going in GOD's paths, should pray that their goings may be held up in those paths. David prays, LORD, still hold me up. Those who would proceed and persevere in the ways of GOD, must, by faith prayer, get daily fresh supplies of grace and strength from HIM. Show thy marvellous loving-kindness, distinguishing favours, not common mercies, but be gracious to me; do as thou purposes to do to those who love THY name.

OLD TESTAMENT



Jeremiah 14: 19 – 15: 9

Jeremiah 15: 1 – 9

Then said the LORD unto me.

GOD responds to Jeremiah's intercession in 14: 19 – 22

Because the people had rejected GOD and kept on backsliding, the destruction of Jerusalem and the exile to Babylon were inevitable. GOD said HE would ignore even if Moses and Samuel interceded and they were to stand before HIM on behalf of the people.

NEW TESTAMENT

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Luke 10: 17 – 37

Luke 10: 20

In this rejoice not.

CHRIST warns the disciples that they must not make power over demons or success in ministry the primary source of their joy. Their rejoicing must come from the fact that they are redeemed from sin and destined for heaven.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 5th March 2024

Morning

Psalms- 18: 1 – 24

Old Testament- Jeremiah 15: 10 – 21

New Testament- Luke 10: 38 – 42

Evening

Psalms- 18: 25 – 50

Old Testament- Jeremiah 16: 1 – 13

New Testament- Luke 11: 1 – 13

Quiz for 5th March 2024 - from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 18

1) Salvation...reference...?

Jeremiah 15: 10 – 16: 13

2) What was joy and delight to Jeremiah's heart? Reference...?

Luke 10: 38 – 11: 13

3) What was needful...Who chose that part? Reference?

Verses for 5th March 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 18

Psalms 18: 29 – 50

When we praise for one's mercy, we must observe the many more, with which we have been compassed all our days. Many things had contributed to David's advancement, and he owns the hand of GOD in them all, to teach us to do likewise. In verse 32, and the following verses, are the gifts of GOD to the spiritual warrior, whereby he is prepared for the contest, after the example of his victorious Leader. Learn that we must seek release being made through CHRIST, shall be rejected. In David the type, we behold out of trouble through CHRIST. The prayer put up,

without reconciliation JESUS our Redeemer, conflicting with enemies, compassed with sorrows and with floods of ungodly men, enduring not only the pains of death, but the wrath of GOD for us; yet calling upon the FATHER with strong cries and tears; rescued from the grave; proceeding to reconcile, or to put under his feet all other enemies, till death, the last enemy, shall be destroyed. We should love the LORD, our Strength, and our Salvation; we should call on HIM in every trouble, and praise HIM for every deliverance; we should aim to walk with HIM in all righteousness and true holiness, keeping from sin. If we belong to HIM, HE conquers and reigns for us, and we shall conquer and reign through HIM, and partake of the mercy of our anointed King, which is promised to all HIS seed for evermore. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT



Jeremiah 15: 10 – 16: 13

Jeremiah 15: 16

THY words...joy and rejoicing of mine heart.

Jeremiah differed from the people in two fundamental ways.

1. He loved the word of the LORD, it was a joy and delight in his heart.

One sure sign that we are children of GOD is an intense love for the inspired Word of GOD.

2. He remained separated from the sinful actions of the wicked, the resulting experience of isolation and loneliness was the price he had to pay for loyalty to GOD and His righteousness.

NEW TESTAMENT



Luke 10: 38 – 11: 13

Luke 10: 42

One thing is needful.

Although active, practical service to GOD is essential and good, our first and most important task is a love and devotion that expresses itself in quiet worship, prayer and fellowship with the LORD.

Are we so busy doing the work of the LORD, attending church services and performing good deeds that we forget the first and greatest commandment is to love the LORD our GOD HIMSELF with all our hearts, souls, strength and minds.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 6th March 2024

Morning

Psalms- 19 and 20

Old Testament- Jeremiah 16: 14 – 21

New Testament- Luke 11: 14 – 26

Evening

Psalms- 21

Old Testament- Jeremiah 17: 1 – 13

New Testament- Luke 11: 27 – 36

Quiz for 6th March 2024 - from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 19; 20 and 21

- 1) Hearts, words and lives free from sin and pleasing acceptable to HIM...reference...?

Jeremiah 16: 14 – 17: 13

- 2) Pen of iron and point of diamond... Reference...?

Luke 11: 14 – 36

- 3) Victory over satan and demons... Reference?

Verses for 6th March 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 19; 20 and 21

Psalms 19: 11 – 14

GOD's word warns the wicked not to go on in his wicked way, and warns the righteous not to turn from his good way. There is a reward, not only after keeping, but in keeping GOD's commandments. Religion makes our comforts sweet, and our crosses easy, life truly valuable, and death itself truly desirable. David not only desired to be pardoned and cleansed from the sins he had discovered and confessed, but from those he had forgotten or overlooked. All discoveries of sin

made to us by the law, should drive us to the throne of grace, there to pray. His dependence was the same with that of every Christian who says, surely in the LORD JESUS have I righteousness and strength. No prayer can be acceptable before GOD which is not offered in the strength of our Redeemer or Divine Kinsman, through HIM who took our nature upon HIM, that HE might redeem us unto GOD, and restore the long-lost inheritance. May our hearts be much affected with the excellence of the word of GOD; and much affected with the evil of sin, and the danger we are in of it, and the danger we are in by it.

OLD TESTAMENT



Jeremiah 16: 14 – 17: 13

Jeremiah 17: 5 – 8
Cursed be the man.

Those whose trust centres in themselves and in human resources are destined for disappointment, spiritual poverty and ultimate loss. On the contrary, those who fully trust in the LORD will be blessed and ultimately rewarded with a godly inheritance. They will not be afraid or anxious in any of life's circumstances because their roots go down deep into GOD.

NEW TESTAMENT



Luke 11: 14 – 36

Luke 11: 23
He that is not with me is against me.

It is impossible to remain neutral in the spiritual conflict between CHRIST kingdom and the power of evil.

1. Those who do not along with JESUS oppose satan and evil have in reality set themselves against JESUS CHRIST. Every person is fighting either on the side of Satan and the ungodly.
2. JESUS words indict any attempted spiritual neutrality or compromise with righteousness, or any partial obedience.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 7th March 2024

Morning

Psalms- 22

Old Testament- Jeremiah 17: 14 – 27

New Testament- Luke 11: 37 – 44

Evening

Psalms- 23 and 24

Old Testament- Jeremiah 18: 1 – 12

New Testament- Luke 11: 45 – 54

Quiz for 7th March 2024 - from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 22 to 24

- 1) Old Testament prophecy and New Testament fulfilment...?

Jeremiah 17: 14 – 18: 12

- 2) Healing... Reference...?

Luke 11: 37 – 54

- 3) Reference of love for uppermost seats...?

Verses for 7th March 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 22 to 24

Psalms 22: 22 – 31

The SAVIOUR now speaks as risen from the dead.

The first words of the complaint were used by CHRIST HIMSELF upon the cross; the first words of the triumph are expressly applied to HIM, Hebrews 2:12.

All our praises must refer to the work of redemption. The suffering of the Redeemer was graciously accepted as a full satisfaction for sin. Though it was offered for sinful

men, the FATHER did not despise or abhor it for our sakes. This ought to be the matter of our thanksgiving.

All humble, gracious souls should have a full satisfaction and happiness in HIM. Those that hunger and thirst for righteousness in CHRIST, shall not labour for that which satisfies not. Those that are much in praying, will be much in thanksgiving. Those that turn to GOD, will make conscience of worshipping before HIM.

Let every tongue confess that HE is LORD. High and low, rich and poor, bond and free, meet in CHRIST. Seeing we cannot keep alive our own souls, it is our wisdom, by obedient faith, to commit our souls to CHRIST, who is able to save and keep them alive for ever. A seed shall serve HIM.

GOD will have a church in the world to the end of time. They shall be accounted to HIM for a generation; HE will be the same to them that HE was to those who went before them. HIS righteousness, and not any of their own, they shall declare to be the foundation of all their hopes, and the fountain of all their joys.

Redemption by CHRIST is the LORD's own doing. Here we see the free love and compassion of GOD the FATHER, and of our LORD JESUS CHRIST, for us wretched sinners, as the source of all grace and consolation; the example we are to follow, the treatment as Christians we are to expect, and the conduct under it we are to adopt.

Every lesson may here be learned that can profit the humbled soul. Let those who go about to establish their own righteousness inquire, why the beloved SON of GOD should thus suffer, if their own doings could atone for sin?

Let the ungodly professor consider whether the SAVIOUR thus honoured the Divine law, to purchase him the privilege of despising it. Let the careless take warning to flee from the wrath to come, and the trembling rest their hopes upon this merciful Redeemer. Let the tempted and distressed believer cheerfully expect a happy end of every trial.

OLD TESTAMENT



Jeremiah 17: 14 – 18: 12

Jeremiah 17: 14 – 18

Heal me.

In the face of persecution and opposition, Jeremiah prays for GOD's grace to help him continue his prophetic ministry. The people and the false prophets had been taunting him and scoffing at his prophecies because his predictions had not yet been fulfilled. In spite of this suffering Jeremiah refused to turn from his ministry, but continued to look to GOD for strength and help.

NEW TESTAMENT

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Luke 11: 37 – 54

We should all look to our hearts, that they may be cleansed and new-created; and while we attend to the great things of the law and of the gospel, we must not neglect the smallest matter GOD has appointed. When any wait to catch something out of our mouths, that they may ensnare us, O LORD, give us THY prudence and THY patience, and disappoint their evil purposes. Furnish us with such meekness and patience that we may glory in reproaches, for CHRIST's sake, and that thy HOLY SPIRIT may rest upon us.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 8th March 2024

Morning

Psalms- 25 and 26

Old Testament- Jeremiah 18: 13 – 23

New Testament- Luke 12: 1 – 12

Evening

Psalms- 27 and 28

Old Testament- Jeremiah 19: 1 – 15

New Testament- Luke 12: 13 – 21

Quiz for 8th March 2024 - from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 25 to 28

1) What did the psalmist desire...reference...?

Jeremiah 18: 13 – 19: 15

2) Parable about Jerusalem and Judah's devastation... Reference...?

Luke 12: 1 – 21

3) What can be forgiven and what cannot be forgiven...reference...?

Verses for 8th March 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 25 to 28

Psalms 25: 15 – 22

The psalmist concludes, as he began, with expressing dependence upon GOD, and desire toward HIM. It is good thus to hope, and quietly to wait for the salvation of the LORD. And if GOD turns to us, no matter who turns from us. He pleads his own integrity. Though guilty before GOD, yet, as to his enemies, he had the testimony of conscience that he had done them no wrong. GOD would, at length, give Israel rest from all their enemies round about. In heaven, GOD's Israel will be perfectly redeemed from all troubles. Blessed Saviour, thou hast graciously taught us that

without thee we can do nothing. Do thou teach us how to pray, how to appear before thee in the way which thou shalt choose, and how to lift up our whole hearts and desires after thee, for thou art the LORD our righteousness.

OLD TESTAMENT



Jeremiah 18: 13 – 19: 15

Jeremiah 19: 1 – 15

A potter's earthen bottle.

Through a dramatic parable, Jeremiah reveals that Jerusalem and Judah would experience such a devastating judgement that they would be broken in pieces.

NEW TESTAMENT



Luke 12: 1 – 21

Luke 12: 9

He that denieth me.

To deny CHRIST is

1. To fail to acknowledge before the ungodly that we are followers of JESUS and
2. To refuse to stand with the gospel and CHRIST's principles of righteousness in the face of society's non-Christian values.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 9th March 2024

Morning

Psalms- 29 and 30

Old Testament- Jeremiah 20: 1 – 6

New Testament- Luke 12: 22 – 34

Evening

Psalms- 31

Old Testament- Jeremiah 20: 7 – 18

New Testament- Luke 12: 35 – 48

Verses for 9th March 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 29 to 31

Psalms 30

A psalm and song at the dedication of the house of David.

This is a psalm of thanksgiving for the great deliverances which GOD had wrought for David, penned upon occasion of the dedicating of his house of cedar, and sung in that pious solemnity, though there is not anything in it that has particular reference to that occasion. Some collect from divers passages in the psalm itself that it was penned upon his recovery from a dangerous fit of sickness, which might happen to be about the time of the dedication of his house.

- I. Here he praises GOD for the deliverances he had wrought for him (v. 1-3).
- II. He calls upon others to praise HIM too, and encourages them to trust in GOD (v. 4, 5).
- III. He blames himself for his former security (v. 6, 7).
- IV. He recollects the prayers and complaints he had made in his distress (v. 8-10).

With them he stirs up himself to be very thankful to GOD for the present comfortable change (v. 11, 12).

In singing this psalm we ought to remember with thankfulness, any like deliverances wrought for us, for which we must stir up ourselves to praise GOD and by which we must be engaged to depend upon HIM.

OLD TESTAMENT



Jeremiah 20: 1 – 18

Jeremiah 20: 9

HIS Word....a burning fire.

No matter how hard Jeremiah tried, he was unable to suppress GOD's message within him. He sympathized fully with GOD's anger against the sins of the people. The prophet felt such oneness with GOD and HIS cause that he had to proclaim the word of the LORD, even though it brought him excruciating pain and suffering.

NEW TESTAMENT



Luke 12: 22 – 48

Luke 12: 38

Blessed are those servants.

A special blessing of CHRIST's presence and care is reserved for those who in full readiness and faithfulness wait watching for their LORD's return during the interval between HIS ascension and second coming.

CSI Almanac – 10th March 2024, Sunday

3rd Sunday before Easter

4th Sunday in Lent

TRUE WORSHIP THAT LIBERATES

Morning Scripture Reading:

Exodus 3: 11 – 18

Psalms 137

Acts 16: 25 – 34

Luke 13: 10 – 17

Evening Scripture Reading:

Joshua 3: 1 – 17 /

Revelation 14: 1 – 7

Collect:

GOD, of liberation, we thank YOU for sending YOUR own SON and our SAVIOUR JESUS CHRIST into this world for our redemption from all kinds of slavery and oppression. Empower us to participate in YOUR mission to challenge the dominant forces that enslave and exploit your people; commission and strengthen us to continue YOUR liberative mission to redeem the victims of greed and injustice. Enable us to experience the power of the HOLY SPIRIT in and through our everyday worship as a sign of divine freedom and liberation, through JESUS CHRIST who reigns with YOU and the HOLY SPIRIT, one GOD forever and ever.

Amen.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 11th March 2024

Morning

Psalms- 34

Old Testament- Jeremiah 21: 1 – 7

New Testament- Luke 12: 49 – 59

Evening

Psalms- 35

Old Testament- Jeremiah 21: 8 – 14

New Testament- Luke 13: 1 – 9

Quiz for 11th March 2024 - from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 34 and 35

1) Praise reference...?

Jeremiah 21: 1 – 14

2) What was GOD's reply to Zedekiah's request through Jeremiah... Reference...?

Luke 12: 49 – 13: 9

3) How does parable of the fig tree relate to believers...?

Verses for 11th March 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 34 and 35

Psalms 35: 1 – 10

It is no new thing for the most righteous men, and the most righteous cause, to meet with enemies. This is a fruit of the old enmity in the seed of the serpent against the seed of the woman. David in his afflictions, CHRIST in HIS sufferings, the church under persecution, and the Christian in the hour temptation, all beseech the ALMIGHTY to appear in their behalf, and to vindicate their cause. We are apt to justify uneasiness at the injuries men do us, by our never having given them cause to use us so ill; but this should make us easy, for then we may the more expect that

GOD will plead our cause. David prayed to GOD to manifest himself in his trial. Let me have inward comfort under all outward troubles, to support my soul. If GOD, by HIS SPIRIT, witness to our spirits that HE is our salvation, we need desire no more to make us happy. If GOD is our Friend, no matter who is our enemy, by the Spirit of prophecy, David foretells the just judgments of GOD that would come upon his enemies for their great wickedness. These are predictions, they look forward, and show the doom of the enemies of CHRIST and HIS kingdom. We must not desire or pray for the ruin of any enemies, except our lusts and the evil spirits that would compass our destruction. A traveller benighted in a bad road, is an expressive emblem of a sinner walking in the slippery and dangerous ways of temptation. But David having committed his cause to GOD, did not doubt of his own deliverance. The bones are the strongest parts of the body. The psalmist here proposes to serve and glorify GOD with all his strength. If such language may be applied to outward salvation, how much more will it apply to heavenly things in CHRIST JESUS!

OLD TESTAMENT



Jeremiah 21: 1 – 14

Jeremiah 21: 5

I myself will fight against you Zedekiah sent two priests to ask Jeremiah if GOD would cause Nebuchadnezzar to retreat. Through the prophet, GOD declared no emphatic, in fact, GOD Himself would fight against Judah and deliver His people into the hands of their enemies. All their resistance would prove useless.

NEW TESTAMENT



Luke 12: 49 – 13: 9

Luke 13: 6 – 9

Fig tree...cut it down.

The parable of the fig tree refers primarily to Israel. However, its truth applies also to all individuals who profess to believe in JESUS, yet fail to turn from sin. While GOD gives everyone sufficient opportunity to repent, HE will not tolerate sin forever. A time will come when GOD's grace will be withdrawn and the unrepentant punished without mercy.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 12th March 2024

Morning

Psalms- 36 and 37: 1 – 11

Old Testament- Jeremiah 22: 1 – 12

New Testament- Luke 13: 10 – 17

Evening

Psalms- 37: 12 – 40

Old Testament- Jeremiah 22: 13 – 19

New Testament- Luke 13: 18 – 30

Quiz for 12th March 2024 - from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 36 and 37

- 1) Overcoming the world and worldliness...reference...?

Jeremiah 22: 1 – 19

- 2) What was the condition for the king of Judah to avoid desolation...?

Luke 13: 10 – 30

- 3) Healing ... reference...?

Verses for 12th March 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 36 and 37

Psalms 37: 1 – 6

When we look abroad we see the world full of evil-doers that flourish and live in ease. So it was seen of old, therefore let us not marvel at the matter. We are tempted to fret at this, to think them the only happy people, and so we are prone to do like them: but this we are warned against. Outward prosperity is fading. When

we look forward, with an eye of faith, we shall see no reason to envy the wicked. Their weeping and wailing will be everlasting. The life of religion is a believing trust in the LORD, and diligent care to serve HIM according to HIS will. It is not trusting GOD, but tempting HIM, if we do not make conscience of our duty to HIM. A man's life consists not in abundance, but, Thou shalt have food convenient for thee. This is more than we deserve, and it is enough for one that is going to heaven. To delight in GOD is as much a privilege as a duty. HE has not promised to gratify the appetites of the body, and the humours of the fancy, but the desires of the renewed, sanctified soul. What is the desire of the heart of a good man? It is this, to know, and love, and serve GOD. Commit thy way unto the LORD; roll thy way upon the LORD, so the margin reads it. Cast thy burden upon the LORD, the burden of thy care. We must roll it off ourselves, not afflict and perplex ourselves with thoughts about future events, but refer them to GOD. By prayer spread thy case and all thy cares before the LORD, and trust in HIM. We must do our duty, and then leave the event with GOD. The promise is very sweet: HE shall bring that to pass, whatever it is, which thou has committed to HIM.

OLD TESTAMENT



Jeremiah 22: 1 – 19

Jeremiah 22: 16

The poor and needy.

The apostle James emphasizes this same truth , the kind of faith GOD accepts is one that expresses itself in a genuine care for those in need, if we help the needy and the oppressed, we will receive the blessing and commendation of GOD.

NEW TESTAMENT



Luke 13: 10 – 30

Luke 13: 18 – 21

Parables of the Mustard seed...Parables of the Leaven...

JESUS Parables make the same point about what the kingdom of GOD is like.

The Mustard seed was the smallest seed sown by the farmers in JESUS day. Yet in a very short time it grew to be the biggest of all plants and developed from the seed.

The point of the parable is that the power inherent in the mustard.

It has a small and humble beginning, but results in a large and significant consequence.

Likewise the kingdom of GOD is like yeast that penetrates the dough. A small amount of leaven will effect a whole mass of dough so as to be sufficient in a short time to feed a large company of people. In Scripture leaven often typifies evil influences. But here the point concerns the power and influence inherent in the kingdom of GOD. JESUS began with a small group of committed disciples, but by the end of the first century A.D. the kingdom of GOD which they proclaimed in the power of the HOLY SPIRIT had spread far and wide.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 13th March 2024

Morning

Psalms- 38

Old Testament- Jeremiah 22: 20 – 30

New Testament- Luke 13: 31 – 35

Evening

Psalms- 39

Old Testament- Jeremiah 23: 1 – 8

New Testament- Luke 14: 1 – 11

Quiz for 13th March 2024 - from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 38 and 39

1) In time of trouble...Psalm number...?

Jeremiah 22: 20 – 23: 8

2) Old Testament Prophecy and New Testament fulfilment...?

Luke 13: 31 – 14: 11

3) JESUS lament over Jerusalem...reference...?

Verses for 13th March 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 38 and 39

Psalms 39: 1 – 13

I will take heed to my ways.

This psalm continues the theme of Psalm 38 for the psalmist is still under severe chastisement of GOD. He realises that it is the LORD who is causing his suffering. I am consumed by the blow of THINE hand. He wants to know how long he will live and how long he must continue to suffer such direct punishment from GOD. He prays that he may not die separated from GOD and HIS mercy.

OLD TESTAMENT



Jeremiah 22: 20 – 23: 8

Jeremiah 23: 5 & 6
A righteous Branch.

The branch of David was cut off when GOD destroyed the Davidic monarchy in 586 B.C.

GOD did promise, however, to raise up a king from the line of David who would be a righteous Branch, this king would finally and fully do what was just about right. This prophecy points to the MESSIAH JESUS CHRIST.

NEW TESTAMENT



Luke 13: 31 – 14: 11

Luke 13: 34

O Jerusalem, Jerusalem...How often would I have gathered thy children together?
The tears of our LORD and SAVIOUR, JESUS CHRIST over Jerusalem's stubbornness bear witness to the freedom of the human will to resist the grace and will of GOD.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 14th March 2024

Morning

Psalms- 40

Old Testament- Jeremiah 23: 9 – 16

New Testament- Luke 14: 12 – 24

Evening

Psalms- 41

Old Testament- Jeremiah 23: 17 – 29

New Testament- Luke 14: 25 – 35

Quiz for 14th March 2024 - from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 40 and 41

1) Promise for considering the poor...reference...?

Jeremiah 23: 9 – 29

2) Reference...Word like fire and hammer...?

Luke 14: 12 – 35

3) And whosoever doth not _____ his _____ and come after _____, cannot be my _____.

Verses for 14th March 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 40 and 41

Psalms 40: 8

I delight to do THY will.

The motto of JESUS whole life was, Lo, I come to do THY will, O GOD Hebrews 10:9.

It is by CHRIST's obedience unto death that we have been sanctified in order that the law of GOD may be put into our hearts. Thus every believer must also affirm these words of CHRIST in his or her own life, "Lo I come to do THY will, O GOD."

OLD TESTAMENT



Jeremiah 23: 9 – 29

Jeremiah 23: 17

Ye shall have peace.

False prophets hold out to GOD's people a false hope and security. Those who maintain that the immoral and disobedient among GOD's people will not be condemned for their evil and do not need to fear GOD's wrath and judgment prove themselves to be false messengers. Prophets with this message existed not only in Old Testament times but also in New Testament times. Apostle Paul warned the Ephesians not to be deceived by such teachers.

NEW TESTAMENT



Luke 14: 12 – 35

Luke 14: 28 – 33

Counteth the cost.

JESUS teaches that whoever desires to follow HIM and be HIS disciple should first decide whether he or she is prepared to pay the cost the cost. The cost of real discipleship is to give up all relationships and possessions, all that we have must be placed in at CHRIST's service and under HIS guidance.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 15th March 2024

Morning

Psalms- 44

Old Testament- Jeremiah 23: 30 – 40

New Testament- Luke 15: 1 – 10

Evening

Psalms- 42 and 43

Old Testament- Jeremiah 24: 1 – 10

New Testament- Luke 15: 11 – 24

Quiz for 15th March 2024 - from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 42 to 44

- 1) Yearning for GOD...Psalm number...?

Jeremiah 23: 30 – 24: 10

- 2) Explain briefly parable of two baskets of figs...?

Luke 15: 1 – 24

- 3) When will there be joy in heaven...reference?

Verses for 15th March 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 42 to 44

Psalms 44: 22

For thy sake we are killed all the day.

The HOLY SPIRIT reveals that some suffering comes to GOD's faithful people because they maintain loyalty to HIM in a hostile world.

The apostle Paul quotes this verse in Romans 8:36 to teach that all those who identify with CHRIST and refuse to conform to the evil world will undergo grief, persecution and suffering. At the same time, as GOD's people are assured of victory

through JESUS CHRIST, knowing that GOD is for us and that no adversity can separate us from HIS love.

OLD TESTAMENT



Jeremiah 23: 30 – 24: 10

Jeremiah 24: 1

Two baskets of figs.

The first basket of figs was considered to contain good figs, good in that GOD would purify them through the suffering of the exile. After their exile they would be brought back into the land, and would turn from idolatry to GOD with all their hearts. GOD would use them to accomplish HIS redemptive purpose in the world.

The second basket of figs represented King Zedekiah and those who remained in Jerusalem after that recent deportation, they would continue to oppose Jeremiah and his message and thus experienced the incredible horrors during the fall of Jerusalem in 586 B.C. bringing great disgrace.

NEW TESTAMENT



Luke 15: 1 – 24

Luke 15: 7

Joy....in heaven

GOD and the angels in heaven have such love, compassion and grief for those who have fallen into sin and spiritual death that when one sinner repents, they openly rejoice On GOD's love for sinners.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 16th March 2024

Morning

Psalms- 45

Old Testament- Jeremiah 25: 1 – 7

New Testament- Luke 15: 25 – 32

Evening

Psalms- 46

Old Testament- Jeremiah 25: 8 – 14

New Testament- Luke 16: 1 – 13

Verses for 16th March 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 45 and 46

Psalms 45: 6 – 7

THY throne, O GOD, is for ever and ever.

These two verses find their ultimate fulfilment in JESUS CHRIST. CHRIST dominion will be for ever and ever. HE loves righteousness since HIS joy is found in doing HIS FATHER's will.

OLD TESTAMENT



Jeremiah 25: 1 – 14

Jeremiah 25: 1

The first year of Nebuchadnezzar.

This year was 605 B.C. an important date because Nebuchadnezzar's reign marks the beginning of four successive kingdoms that were to have world dominion. Daniel 2:7

NEW TESTAMENT

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Luke 15: 25 – 16: 13

Luke 16: 9

Mammon of unrighteousness.

Mammon means worldly wealth. Injustice, greed power are often involved in the accumulation and use of worldly wealth.

We must use possessions and money in a way that promotes GOD's interests and the salvation of others.

CSI Almanac – 17th March 2024, Sunday

2nd Sunday before Easter

5th Sunday in Lent

CROSS: A NEW VISION OF THE MESSIANIC AGE (PASSION SUNDAY)

Morning Scripture Reading:

Deuteronomy 18: 15 – 22

Psalms 73

2 Corinthians 1: 3 – 11

Luke 18: 35 – 43

Evening Scripture Reading:

Daniel 3: 14 – 25 /

1 Peter 4: 12 – 19

Collect:

Our Parent GOD, YOUR SON JESUS CHRIST accepted vicarious suffering for the sake of us. HE was bruised, wounded and afflicted for our trespasses and sinfulness. HE became a wretched and sinner to cleanse us from all wretchedness and sinfulness. The sign of the cross constantly reminds us that HE died in order that we may live. Empower us with this challenge so that we suffer for the sake of righteousness, which would enhance ourselves for the coming of the MESSIAH, through JESUS CHRIST our LORD, who lives and reigns with YOU and the HOLY SPIRIT, one GOD world without end.

Amen.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 18th March 2024

Morning

Psalms- 50

Old Testament- Jeremiah 25: 15 – 26

New Testament- Luke 16: 14 – 18

Evening

Psalms- 51

Old Testament- Jeremiah 25: 27 – 38

New Testament- Luke 16: 19 – 31

Quiz for 18th March 2024 - from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 50 and 51

1) Holy Spirit...reference...?

Jeremiah 25: 15 – 38

2) Please explain briefly verse 15...?

Luke 16: 14 – 31

3) Who were covetous...?

Verses for 18th March 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 50 and 51

Psalms 51: 3

My sin is ever before me.

At times the assurance of forgiveness and the renewed blessing of GOD do not come easily. A person who has experienced the joy of salvation and then falls into the depths of immorality may experience a prolonged time of repentance and spiritual struggle before receiving the assurance of pardon and a full restoration to GOD's favour, David's experience reveals how fearful it is to offend a holy GOD after having been so richly blessed by HIM.

OLD TESTAMENT



Jeremiah 25: 15 – 38

Jeremiah 25: 30 – 38

The LORD has just ground of controversy with every nation and every person; and HE will execute judgment on all the wicked. Who can avoid trembling when GOD speaks in displeasure? The days are fully come; the time fixed in the Divine counsels, which will make the nations wholly desolate. The tender and delicate shall share the common calamity. Even those who used to live in peace, and did nothing to provoke, shall not escape. Blessed be GOD, there is a peaceable habitation above, for all the sons of peace. The LORD will preserve His church and all believers in all changes; for nothing can separate them from HIS love.

NEW TESTAMENT



Luke 16: 14 – 31

Luke 16: 14

Pharisees...covetous.

The Pharisees regarded riches as a blessing from GOD for their faithful observance of the law. They sneered at JESUS, who was poor, for they regarded HIS poverty as a sign that GOD had not honoured HIM.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 19th March 2024

Morning

Psalms- 52 and 53

Old Testament- Jeremiah 26: 1 – 9

New Testament- Luke 17: 1 – 10

Evening

Psalms- 54

Old Testament- Jeremiah 26: 10 – 24

New Testament- Luke 17: 11 – 19

Quiz for 19th March 2024 - from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 52 to 54

- 1) The fate of a fool...Psalm number...?

Jeremiah 26: 1 – 24

- 2) Why was Jeremiah spared from being killed...?

Luke 17: 1 – 19

- 3) Faith that moves mountains...reference...?

Verses for 19th March 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 52 to 54

Psalms 53

The corruption of man by nature.

This psalm is almost the same as the 14th. The scope of it is to convince us of our sins.

GOD, through the psalmist, shows us here how bad we are, and proves this by his own certain knowledge. He speaks terror to persecutors, the worst of sinners. He speaks encouragement to GOD's persecuted people. How comes it that men are so

bad? Because there is no fear of GOD before their eyes. Men's bad practices flow from their bad principles; if they profess to know GOD, yet in works, because in thoughts, they deny HIM. See the folly of sin; he is a fool, in the account of GOD, whose judgment we are sure is right, that harbours such corrupt thoughts. And see the fruit of sin; to what it brings men, when their hearts are hardened through the deceitfulness of sin. See also the faith of the saints, and their hope and power as to the cure of this great evil. There will come a SAVIOUR, a great salvation, a salvation from sin.

GOD will save His church from its enemies. HE will save all believers from their own sins, that they may not be led captive by them, which will be everlasting joy to them. From this work the Redeemer had his name JESUS, for HE shall save His people from their sins.

OLD TESTAMENT



Jeremiah 26: 1 – 24

Jeremiah 26: 2

All the words that I command thee.

Knowing that his prophecy would offend people and cause hostility and opposition. Jeremiah may have been tempted to hold back some particularly severe words given to him by the LORD, the LORD told him not to omit a single word. The entire message of GOD must be proclaimed.

Faithful ministers should not avoid speaking the harsh words of GOD's commands and warnings, even though they know some will turn away from them. Those who ignore parts of GOD's Word and accommodate the sins of the congregation are unworthy ministers.

NEW TESTAMENT



Luke 17: 1 – 19

Luke 17: 2

Millstone....around his neck.

Causing someone to sin because of our example, attitude and such as these if neglected will bring severe punishment, that death before committing this sin would be preferable.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 20th March 2024

Morning

Psalms- 55

Old Testament- Jeremiah 27: 1 – 11

New Testament- Luke 17: 20 – 37

Evening

Psalms- 56

Old Testament- Jeremiah 27: 12 – 22

New Testament- Luke 18: 1 – 14

Quiz for 20th March 2024 - from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 55 and 56

1) Familiar verse...?

Jeremiah 27: 1 – 22

2) Which nation will GOD punish...? Reference...?

Luke 17: 20 – 18: 14

3) Explain briefly verse 21...?

Verses for 20th March 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 55 and 56

Psalms 55: 6

O that I had wing like a dove... then I would fly away.

When we are oppressed by evil people or spiritual enemies, or when the troubles of the world bring fear, anguish and overwhelming anxiety, we too often wish to find rest and relief by escaping from our present distress. However, in most cases escape from such situations is not possible. The real solution is found only in seeking refuge in GOD. We can do as the psalmist did call upon GOD evening, morning and noon, and cast our burdens upon the LORD by looking to HIM to sustain us.

OLD TESTAMENT



Jeremiah 27: 1 – 22

Jeremiah 27: 6

Nebuchadnezzar... my servant.

Nebuchadnezzar is called GOD's servant, not because he was righteous, but because GOD would use him and his army to punish many nations, including GOD's nation of Judah for their sins, however, GOD would also overthrow Babylon in HIS own set time.

NEW TESTAMENT



Luke 17: 20 – 18: 14

Luke 17: 21

The kingdom of GOD is within you.

According to JESUS, the present nature of the kingdom is spiritual, not material or political. The kingdom of GOD cometh not with observation, it does not come as an earthly political power. Instead it is within the hearts and in the midst of GOD's people, consisting of righteousness and peace, and joy in the HOLY GHOST. We demonstrate it by conquering, through the power of the SPIRIT, the forces of sin, sickness and satan, not by conquering kings and nations. When JESUS comes to earth second time, then the kingdom will be seen in its full power and glory, as it triumphs over nations.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 21st March 2024

Morning

Psalms- 57 and 58

Old Testament- Jeremiah 28: 1 – 9

New Testament- Luke 18: 15 – 30

Evening

Psalms- 59: 1 – 4 & 9 – 17

Old Testament- Jeremiah 28: 10 – 17

New Testament- Luke 18: 31 – 43

Quiz for 21st March 2024 - from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 57; 58 and 59: 1 – 4 & 9 – 17

- 1) The mercy and truth of GOD...Psalm number...?

Jeremiah 28: 1 – 17

- 2) What was GOD's reply through Prophet Jeremiah to Hananiah...?

Luke 18: 15 – 43

- 3) Praise verse...reference...?

Verses for 21st March 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 57; 58 and 59: 1 – 4 & 9 – 17

Psalms 58: 1 – 5

When wrong is done under the form of law, it is worse than any other; especially it is grievous to behold those who profess to be children of GOD, joining together against any of his people. We should thank the LORD for merciful restraints; we should be more earnest in seeking renewing grace, more watchful over ourselves, and more patient under the effects of fallen nature in others. The corruption of their nature was the root of bitterness. We may see in children the wickedness of the world beginning. They go astray from GOD and their duty as soon as possibly they

can. And how soon will little children tell lies! It is our duty to take pains to teach them, and above all, earnestly to pray for converting grace to make our children new creatures. Though the poison be within, much of it may be kept from breaking forth to injure others. When the SAVIOUR's words are duly regarded, the serpent becomes harmless. But those who refuse to hear heavenly wisdom, must perish miserably, for ever.

OLD TESTAMENT



Jeremiah 28: 1 – 17

Jeremiah 28: 6 – 9

Amen the LORD do so.

Jeremiah's Amen shows he also desired the return of the captives, however, first he prophesied further disaster for the people. Time would show Hananiah to be false prophet and Jeremiah true one. Jeremiah here did not immediately give a new Prophecy, he referred instead to the Word of GOD already given through prophets who preceded himself.

NEW TESTAMENT



Luke 18: 15 – 43

Luke 18: 15 – 17

None are too little, too young, to be brought to CHRIST, who knows how to show kindness to those not capable of doing service to him. It is the mind of CHRIST that little children should be brought to HIM. The promise is to us, and to our seed; therefore HE will bid them welcome to HIM with us. And we must receive HIS kingdom as children, not by purchase, and must call it our FATHER's gift.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 22nd March 2024

Morning

Psalms- 60 and 61

Old Testament- Jeremiah 29: 1 – 15

New Testament- Luke 19: 1 – 10

Evening

Psalms- 119: 161 – 176

Old Testament- Jeremiah 29: 16 – 32

New Testament- Luke 19: 11 – 27

Quiz for 22nd March 2024 - from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 60; 61 and 119: 161 – 176

- 1) A prayer for understanding...reference...?

Jeremiah 29: 1 – 32

- 2) GOD's promise for return of exiled...reference...?

Luke 19: 1 – 27

- 3) Salvation...reference...?

Verses for 22nd March 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 60; 61 and 119: 161 – 176

Psalms 61: 1 – 4

David begins with prayers and tears, but ends with praise.

Thus the soul, being lifted up to GOD, returns to the enjoyment of itself. Wherever we are, we have liberty to draw near to GOD, and may find a way open to the throne of grace. And that which separates us from other comforts, should drive us nearer to GOD, the fountain of all comfort. Though the heart is overwhelmed, yet it may be lifted up to GOD in prayer. Nay, I will cry unto thee, for by that means it will be supported and relieved. Weeping must quicken praying, and not deaden it.

GOD's power and promise are a rock that is higher than we are. This rock is CHRIST. On the Divine mercy, as on a rock, David desired to rest his soul; but he was like a ship-wrecked sailor, exposed to the billows at the bottom of a rock too high for him to climb without help. David found that he could not be fixed on the Rock of salvation, unless the LORD placed him upon it. As there is safety in HIM, and none in ourselves, let us pray to be led to and fixed upon CHRIST our Rock. The service of GOD shall be his constant work and business: all must make it so who expect to find GOD their shelter and strong tower. The grace of GOD shall be his constant comfort.

OLD TESTAMENT



Jeremiah 29: 1 – 32

Jeremiah 29: 12 – 13

Then shall ye call...and I will hearken.

Strategic timing is often involved in the fulfilment of GOD's promises (Paul's reference to "when the fullness of the time was come "in Galatians 4:4) HIS Word and promises both in relation to the fullness of HIS redemptive purpose, and in response to His faithful people's earnest prayers. Jeremiah prophesied that at the end of the 70 year captivity, a new fullness of time would occur.

NEW TESTAMENT



Luke 19: 1 – 27

Luke 19: 10

To seek and to save that which was lost...

This is the key verse of Luke's Gospel, it points to the heart of JESUS earthly mission. This is also to be the central core of our mission on earth as HIS disciples.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 23rd March 2024

Morning

Psalms- 62 and 63

Old Testament- Jeremiah 30: 1 – 11

New Testament- Luke 19: 28 – 48

Evening

Psalms- 64 and 65

Old Testament- Jeremiah 30: 12 – 24

New Testament- Luke 20: 1 – 19

Verses for 23rd March 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 62; 63; 64 and 65

Psalms 62: 1 – 7

We are in the way both of duty and comfort, when our souls wait upon GOD; when we cheerfully give up ourselves, and all our affairs, to HIS will and wisdom; when we leave ourselves to all the ways of HIS providence, and patiently expect the event, with full satisfaction in HIS goodness. See the ground and reason of this dependence. By HIS grace HE has supported me, and by HIS providence delivered me. HE only can be my Rock and my salvation; creatures are nothing without HIM, therefore I will look above them to HIM. Trusting in GOD, the heart is fixed. If GOD be for us, we need not fear what man can do against us. David having put his confidence in GOD, foresees the overthrow of His enemies. We have found it good to wait upon the LORD, and should charge our souls to have such constant dependence upon HIM, as may make us always easy. If GOD will save my soul, I may well leave everything else to HIS disposal, knowing all shall turn to my salvation. And as David's faith in GOD advances to an unshaken steadfastness, so his joy in GOD improves into a holy triumph.

Meditation and prayer are blessed means of strengthening faith and hope.

OLD TESTAMENT



Jeremiah 30: 1 – 24

Jeremiah 30: 21 Their governor.

JESUS CHRIST is ultimately the new ruler who will lead the people to GOD. HE will have intimate access to GOD, thus HE will have a priestly ministry, resulting in the nation's restoration to the spiritual vitality and worship, that GOD had always intended. But before this happens, GOD's anger will judge evil among the nations.

NEW TESTAMENT



Luke 19: 28 – 20: 19

Luke 20: 2 By what authority...?

The religious leaders questioned JESUS authority to cleanse the temple or to teach the people. They were offended and angered because JESUS condemned the evil practices within GOD's house, while they themselves tolerated and participated in those practices. Such actions demonstrate how unfit they were to be spiritual leaders. JESUS, as a true spiritual leader, used HIS authority for the sake of truth and righteousness, even though it cost HIM HIS life.

CSI Almanac – 24th March 2024, Sunday

(Palm Sunday)

HOSANNA: NEW KING IN THE TEMPLE

Morning Scripture Reading:

Isaiah 56: 1 – 8

Psalms 24

1 Corinthians 3: 16 – 23

Matthew 21: 1 – 17

Evening Scripture Reading:

Zechariah 9: 1 – 12 /

2 Corinthians 6: 11 – 18

Collect:

O GOD, our liberator, the triumphal entry of JESUS CHRIST, YOUR SON as a servant King was an emphatic sign that HE had won over all powers and principalities of this world. By HIS coming HE had cleansed the temple. LORD we plead let JESUS CHRIST reign and rule over the Church so that we the people may be cleansed from all ungodliness and turning to GOD with repentance to rejoice in hope. Through JESUS CHRIST our LORD, who lives and reigns with YOU and the HOLY SPIRIT, one GOD, world without end.

Amen.

CSI Almanac – 25th March 2024, Monday

THE ANNUNCIATION TO MARY

Old Testament Reading:

Isaiah 7: 10 – 14

Psalms Reading:

Psalms 41: 1 – 10

Epistle Reading:

Galatians 4: 1 – 7

Gospel Reading:

Luke 1: 26 – 38

Collect:

Grant O LORD, that we who have known the incarnation of YOUR SON JESUS CHRIST by the message of an angel, may, by HIS cross and passion be brought to the glory of HIS resurrection; through HIM who lives and reigns with YOU and the HOLY SPIRIT, one GOD, now and forever.

Amen.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 26th March 2024

Morning

Psalms- 70 and 71: 1 – 16

Old Testament- Jeremiah 31: 23 – 34

New Testament- Luke 21: 1 – 9

Evening

Psalms- 71: 17 – 24

Old Testament- Jeremiah 31: 35 – 40

New Testament- Luke 21: 10 – 38

Verses for 26th March 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 70 and 71

Psalms 71: 1 – 13

David prays that he might never be made ashamed of dependence upon GOD.

With this petition every true believer may come boldly to the throne of grace. The gracious care of Divine providence in our birth and infancy, should engage us to early piety. HE that was our Help from our birth, ought to be our Hope from our youth. HE that was our Help from our birth, ought to be our Hope from our youth. Let none expect ease or comfort from the world. Those who love the LORD, often are hated and persecuted; men wondered at for their principles and conduct; but the LORD has been their strong refuge. The faithful servants of GOD may be assured that HE will not cast them off in old age, nor forsake them when their strength fails.

OLD TESTAMENT



Jeremiah 31: 23 – 40

Jeremiah 31: 31 – 34

A new covenant.

This is the only explicit statement referring to the new covenant in the Old Testament .These verses are quoted in Hebrews 8:8--12 , revealing that New Testament believers saw the fulfilment of Jeremiah's words in the new covenant instituted by JESUS CHRIST for all who repent of their sins and believe in HIM.

NEW TESTAMENT

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Luke 21: 1 – 38

Luke 21: 19

In your patience...

We must engage in the most intense devotion to CHRIST through the means of grace, prayer, study of the Word, worship, holy intimacy with GOD, witness, fellowship with believers and daily resistance to sin. By persevering in true faith, believers can be victorious in all circumstances and in the end inherit eternal life.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 27th March 2024

Morning

Psalms- 72

Old Testament- Jeremiah 32: 1 – 7

New Testament- Luke 22: 1 – 13

Evening

Psalms- 73

Old Testament- Jeremiah 32: 8 – 15

New Testament- Luke 22: 14 – 34

ANOINTING JESUS

Isaiah 50: 4 – 8

Psalms 43

Hebrews 5: 5 – 10

Mark 14: 1 – 9

Verses for 27th March 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 72 and 73

Psalms 72: 18 – 20

We are taught to bless GOD in CHRIST, for all HE has done for us by HIM.

David is earnest in prayer for the fulfilment of this prophecy and promise. It is sad to think how empty the earth is of the glory of GOD, how little service and honour HE has from a world to which HE is so bountiful. May we, like David, submit to CHRIST's authority, and partake of HIS righteousness and peace. May we bless HIM for the wonders of redeeming love. May we spend our days, and end our lives, praying for the spread of HIS gospel.

OLD TESTAMENT



Jeremiah 32: 1 – 15

Jeremiah 32: 6 – 15

Buy thee field.

During his confinement Jeremiah was instructed by the LORD to buy a field in his hometown village of Anathoth, a place already controlled by Babylonian forces, it must have been foolish to buy land which was already in enemy hands. By purchasing the land Jeremiah demonstrated faith in GOD's promise that remnant would return to the land and again buy land and build houses.

NEW TESTAMENT



Luke 22: 1 – 34

Luke 22: 18

The fruit of the vine...

What JESUS and the disciples drank at the Passover supper is called the cup or the cup of thanksgiving and the fruit of the vine. Scriptural evidence supports the view that the juice of the vine was unfermented at the LORD's Supper.

CSI Almanac – 28th March 2024, Thursday

EUCCHARIST: THE RE-MEMBERING JESUS

(Maundy Thursday)

Old Testament Reading:

Exodus 12: 1 – 17

Psalms Reading:

Psalms 116

Epistle Reading:

1 Corinthians 11: 23 – 34

Gospel Reading:

Matthew 26: 17 – 30

Collect:

GOD our redeemer in JESUS CHRIST, inspire us to remember YOUR call to participate in YOUR redemptive mission. Teach us to break and pour out ourselves for our fellow beings, as CHRIST poured out HIMSELF for us in order to give us abundant life. Help us to remember the cross of YOUR SON, and grant us strength and courage to relive the cross, YOUR symbol of self-giving; through JESUS CHRIST, who lives and reigns with YOU and the HOLY SPIRIT, one GOD, now and forever more.

Amen.

CSI Almanac – 29th March 2024, Friday

CROSS: DEATH OF DEATH

(Good Friday)

Old Testament Reading:

Numbers 21: 1 – 9

Psalms Reading:

Psalm 22

Epistle Reading:

1 Corinthians 15: 50 – 58

Gospel Reading:

Matthew 27: 1 – 56

Collect:

Merciful GOD, who in YOUR love for the whole creation conquered death by the death and resurrection of YOUR SON on the cross; thus redeemed the potter's field by the ransom of YOUR SON JESUS CHRIST to find a solace for the dead. Redeem the oppressed. We realize our weakness, awaken and enlighten us that, we may find joy in practicing doing YOUR will in our lives. In the name of GOD Who sent HIS SON to this world, the CHRIST Who trampled death on the cross and the HOLY SPIRIT Who continues to be a companion in our weakness, now and ever.

Amen.

CSI Almanac – 30th March 2024, Saturday

HOPE FOR THE NEW LIFE

(Holy Saturday)

Old Testament Reading:

Daniel 12: 1 – 4

Psalms Reading:

Psalm 4

Epistle Reading:

1 Peter 4: 12 – 19

Gospel Reading:

Matthew 27: 62 – 66

Collect:

GOD of new life, who brings hope to the hopeless; help us to be silent when we are disturbed; hear us when we call upon YOU; give us sleep in peace; make us lie down in safety; deliver us from despair and disheartenment. So that we may not love vain words and seek after lies and hope for a day when the wise may shine like the brightness of the sky, those who lead many to righteousness shine like stars forever and those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake into an everlasting life. In the name of GOD who is the creator, and of the SON who is the source of our hope, and of the HOLY SPIRIT, the sustainer of our hope, world without end.

Amen.

RESURRECTION: CELEBRATING THE JOY OF SALVATION

(Easter)

Morning Scripture Reading:

Exodus 14: 5 – 31

Psalms 118: 14 – 29

Colossians 3: 1 – 11

Matthew 28: 1 – 10

Evening Scripture Reading:

Isaiah 12: 1 – 6 /

1 Thessalonians 4: 13 – 18

Collect:

GOD of our very being from everlasting to everlasting, we thank and praise YOU for YOUR unending love towards the whole world in sending YOUR SON JESUS CHRIST into this world to save the world through his death and resurrection. We are grateful for YOUR life giving power which broke the evils of sin on the cross and raised JESUS our LORD from death as a gift for our salvation. Empower us to continue to celebrate life with YOUR creation. We pray this in the name of our SAVIOUR JESUS CHRIST who reigns with YOU and the HOLY SPIRIT, one GOD, forever and ever.

Amen.

April 2024

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 1st April 2024

Morning

Psalms- 79: 1 – 5 & 8 – 13

Old Testament- Jeremiah 34: 17 – 22

New Testament- Luke 24: 1 – 12

Evening

Psalms- 80

Old Testament- Jeremiah 35: 1 – 11

New Testament- Luke 24: 13 – 24

Verses for 1st April 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 79: 1 – 5 & 8 – 13 and Psalms 80

Psalms 79: 1 – 5

GOD is complained to: whither should children go but to a Father able and willing to help them? See what a change sin made in the holy city, when the heathen were suffered to pour in upon them. GOD's own people defiled it by their sins, therefore he suffered their enemies to defile it by their insolence. They desired that GOD would be reconciled. Those who desire GOD's favour as better than life, cannot but dread his wrath as worse than death. In every affliction we should first beseech the LORD to cleanse away the guilt of our sins; then HE will visit us with HIS tender mercies.

OLD TESTAMENT



Jeremiah 34: 17 – 35: 11

Jeremiah 35: 2

Rechabites.

These were a nomadic tribe related to the Kenites and to Jethro Moses father in-law. Their fore father, Jonadab commanded them to live as nomads.

NEW TESTAMENT

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Luke 24: 1 – 24

See the affection and respect the women showed to CHRIST, after HE was dead and buried. Observe their surprise when they found the stone rolled away, and the grave empty.

Christians often perplex themselves about that with which they should comfort and encourage themselves. They look rather to find their Master in HIS grave-clothes, than angels in their shining garments. The angels assure them that HE is risen from the dead; is risen by HIS own power. These angels from heaven bring not any new gospel, but remind the women of CHRIST's words, and teach them how to apply them. We may wonder that these disciples, who believed JESUS to be the SON of GOD and the true MESSIAH, who had been so often told that HE must die, and rise again, and then enter into HIS glory, who had seen HIM more than once raise the dead, yet should be so backward to believe HIS raising HIMSELF. But all our mistakes in religion spring from ignorance or forgetfulness of the words CHRIST has spoken. Peter now ran to the sepulchre, who so lately ran from HIS Master. He was amazed.

There are many things puzzling and perplexing to us, which would be plain and profitable, if we rightly understood the words of CHRIST.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 2nd April 2024

Morning

Psalms- 81

Old Testament- Jeremiah 35: 12 – 19

New Testament- Luke 24: 25 – 35

Evening

Psalms- 82

Old Testament- Jeremiah 36: 1 – 10

New Testament- Luke 24: 36 – 43

Quiz for 2nd April 2024 - from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 81 and 82

1) Unjust judgement rebuked...Psalm number...?

Jeremiah 35: 12 – 36: 10

2) Explain briefly verse 19...?

Luke 24: 25 – 43

3) What did JESUS say when HE appeared to the ten...?

Verses for 2nd April 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 81 and 82

Psalms 82: 1 – 5

Magistrates are the mighty in authority for the public good.

Magistrates are the ministers of GOD's providence, for keeping up order and peace, and particularly in punishing evil-doers, and protecting those that do well. Good princes and good judges, who mean well, are under Divine direction; and bad ones,

who mean ill, are under Divine restraint. The authority of GOD is to be submitted to, in those governors whom HIS providence places over us. But when justice is turned from what is right, no good can be expected. The evil actions of public persons are public mischiefs.

OLD TESTAMENT



Jeremiah 35: 12 – 36: 10

Jeremiah 35: 19

Shall not want a man to stand before me for ever.

The faithfulness of the Rechabites to their forefather would be rewarded, they would always have descendants who would serve the LORD.

All believers who have godly convictions and remain true to them out of honour for GOD, church and parents will receive the blessing and rewards of GOD.

NEW TESTAMENT



Luke 24: 25 – 43

Luke 24: 28 – 35

If we would have CHRIST dwell with us, we must be earnest with HIM.

Those that have experienced the pleasure and profit of communion with CHRIST, cannot but desire more of HIS Company. HE took bread, and blessed it, and broke, and gave to them. This HE did with HIS usual authority and affection, with the same manner, perhaps with the same words.

HE here teaches us to crave a blessing on every meal. See how CHRIST by HIS SPIRIT and grace makes HIMSELF known to the souls of His people. HE opens the Scriptures to them. HE meets them at HIS table, in the ordinance of the Lord's Supper; is known to them in breaking of bread. But the work is completed by the opening of the eyes of their mind; yet it is but short views we have of CHRIST in this world, but when we enter heaven, we shall see HIM for ever. They had found the preaching powerful, even when they knew not the preacher. Those Scriptures which speak of

CHRIST, will warm the hearts of His true disciples. That is likely to do most good, which affects us with the love of JESUS in dying for us. It is the duty of those to whom HE has shown HIMSELF, to let others know what HE has done for their souls. It is of great use for the Disciples of CHRIST to compare their experiences, and tell them to each other.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 3rd April 2024

Morning

Psalms- 83 and 84

Old Testament- Jeremiah 36: 11 – 21

New Testament- Luke 24: 44 – 49

Evening

Psalms- 85

Old Testament- Jeremiah 36: 22 – 32

New Testament- Luke 24: 50 – 53

Quiz for 3rd April 2024 - from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 83; 84 and 85

- 1) Longing for the sanctuary...Psalm number...?

Jeremiah 36: 11 – 32

- 2) What happened to Jeremiah's Prophecy rolls...reference...?

Luke 24: 44 – 53

- 3) Witnessing and HOLY SPIRIT...reference...?

Verses for 3rd April 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 83; 84 and 85

Psalms 84: 1 – 7

The ordinances of GOD are the believer's solace in this evil world; in them he enjoys the presence of the living GOD: this causes him to regret his absence from them. They are to his soul as the nest to the bird. Yet they are only an earnest of the happiness of heaven; but how can men desire to enter that holy habitation, who complain of Divine ordinances as wearisome? Those are truly happy, who go forth, and go on in the exercise of religion, in the strength of the grace of JESUS CHRIST, from whom all our sufficiency is. The pilgrims to the heavenly city may have to pass

through many a valley of weeping, and many a thirsty desert; but wells of salvation shall be opened for them, and consolations sent for their support. Those that press forward in their Christian course, shall find GOD add grace to their graces. And those who grow in grace, shall be perfect in glory.

OLD TESTAMENT



Jeremiah 36: 11 – 32

Jeremiah 36: 23

Cut it... and cast it into the fire.

As the king began destroying the scroll, he was revealing not only his open hostility to Jeremiah's warnings and pleas for repentance, but also his contempt for GOD's written Word and for the LORD HIMSELF, it is essential for our spiritual vitality that we strive to maintain a love and respect for GOD's written revelation. Even though we may not attempt to destroy it as did king Jehoiakim, we may still find ourselves casting the Word behind our backs by neglecting to read, study and meditate on its inspired truths and by failing to live by its precepts.

NEW TESTAMENT



Luke 24: 44 – 53

Luke 24: 27

Repentance and remission of sins.

The disciples were not to preach remission (forgiveness) of sins without the demand of repentance. The preacher who offers salvation on the basis of an easy faith or by a mere acceptance of salvation without a commitment to obey CHRIST and HIS Word preaches a false gospel. Repentance involves forsaking sin, this has always been an essential element in the true gospel of the New Testament.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 4th April 2024

Morning

Psalms- 86

Old Testament- Jeremiah 37: 1 – 10

New Testament- Acts 1: 1 – 8

Evening

Psalms- 87 and 88

Old Testament- Jeremiah 37: 11 – 21

New Testament- Acts 1: 9 – 14

Quiz for 4th April 2024 - from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 86; 87 and 88

- 1) Prayer in the face of death...Psalm number...?

Jeremiah 37: 1 – 21

- 2) Why did they arrest and imprison Jeremiah...?

Acts 1: 1 – 14

- 3) What is Baptism of the HOLY SPIRIT...?

Verses for 4th April 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 86; 87 and 88

Psalms 87: 1 – 3

CHRIST HIMSELF is the Foundation of the church, which GOD has laid.

Holiness is the strength and firmness of the church. Let us not be ashamed of the church of CHRIST in its meanest condition, nor of those that belong to it, since such glorious things are spoken of it. Other foundation can no man lay than that is laid, even JESUS CHRIST. The glorious things spoken of Zion by the Spirit, were all typical of CHRIST, and his work and offices; of the gospel church, its privileges and members; of heaven, its glory and perfect happiness.

OLD TESTAMENT



Jeremiah 37: 1 – 21

Jeremiah 37: 17

Is there any word from the LORD?

Knowing that Jeremiah was a true prophet of the LORD, Zedekiah hoped for a more encouraging word from GOD. But Jeremiah's word remained same.

Jerusalem would fall and Zedekiah would be taken by the king of Babylon. The prophet would not compromise the truth even in such desperate circumstances.

NEW TESTAMENT



Acts 1: 1 – 14

Acts 1: 8

Ye shall receive power.

This is the key verse in the book of Acts. The primary purpose of the baptism in the Spirit is the receiving of power to witness for CHRIST so that the lost will be one over to HIM and taught to obey all that CHRIST commanded. The end result is that CHRIST may be known, loved, praised and made LORD of GOD's chosen people.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 5th April 2024

Morning

Psalms- 89: 1 – 18

Old Testament- Jeremiah 38: 1 – 13

New Testament- Acts 1: 15 – 26

Evening

Psalms- 89: 19 – 52

Old Testament- Jeremiah 38: 14 – 28

New Testament- Acts 2: 1 – 13

Quiz for 5th April 2024 - from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 89

1) Title of this psalm...?

Jeremiah 38: 1 – 28

2) What was Jeremiah's advice to Zedekiah...?

Acts 1: 15 – 2: 13

3) What is the significance of the filling with the HOLY SPIRIT at Pentecost...?

Verses for 5th April 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 89

Psalms 89: 15 – 18

Happy are those who so know the joyful sound of the gospel as to obey it; who experience its power upon their hearts, and bring forth the fruit of it in their lives. Though believers are nothing in themselves, yet having all in CHRIST JESUS, they may rejoice in HIS name. May the LORD enable us to do so. The joy of the LORD is the strength of His people; whereas unbelief dispirits ourselves and discourages others. Though it steals upon us under a semblance of humility, yet it is the very

essence of pride. CHRIST is the Holy One of Israel; and in HIM was that peculiar people more blessed than in any other blessing.

OLD TESTAMENT



Jeremiah 38: 1 – 28

Jeremiah 38: 6

Cast him into the dungeon.

The dungeon was cistern used to catch rain water and store it for summer use, shaped like a bell, the opening at the top was approximately three feet wide. The officials knew that Jeremiah would not live long confined to the cistern. Jeremiah suffered greatly for maintaining his faithfulness to GOD and HIS message. For those faithful to GOD's revelation and righteousness, opposition can be expected in this world persecution for righteousness sake will come from the world, and at times even from those within the church.

NEW TESTAMENT



Acts 1: 15 – 2: 13

Acts 2: 1

Pentecost was the second great festival of the Jewish year, it was harvest festival when the first fruits of the grain harvest were presented to GOD. In like manner Pentecost symbolizes for the church the beginning of GOD's harvest for souls in the world.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 6th April 2024

Morning

Psalms- 90

Old Testament- Jeremiah 39: 1 – 10

New Testament- Acts 2: 14 – 21

Evening

Psalms- 91

Old Testament- Jeremiah 39: 11 – 18

New Testament- Acts 2: 22 – 35

Verses for 6th April 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 90 and 91

Psalms 90: 12 – 17

Those who would learn true wisdom, must pray for Divine instruction, must beg to be taught by the HOLY SPIRIT; and for comfort and joy in the returns of GOD's favour. They pray for the mercy of GOD, for they pretend not to plead any merit of their own. HIS favour would be a full fountain of future joys. It would be a sufficient balance to former griefs. Let the grace of GOD in us produce the light of good works. And let Divine consolations put gladness into our hearts, and a lustre upon our countenances. The work of our hands, establish thou it; and, in order to that, establish us in it. Instead of wasting our precious, fleeting days in pursuing fancies, which leave the possessors for ever poor, let us seek the forgiveness of sins, and an inheritance in heaven. Let us pray that the work of the HOLY SPIRIT may appear in converting our hearts, and that the beauty of holiness may be seen in our conduct.

OLD TESTAMENT



Jeremiah 39: 1 – 18

Jeremiah 39: 11

Nebuchadnezzar had undoubtedly heard of Jeremiah's advice to submit to Babylon, and the Babylonians treated him kindly when they captured Jerusalem. He was put under the protection of Gedaliah, the appointed governor. After being freed, Jeremiah was apparently again arrested by mistake and put in chains awaiting transport to Babylon, once again he was set free.

NEW TESTAMENT

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Acts 2: 14 – 35

Acts 2: 18

In those days, Peter, quoting Joel , says that GOD will pour out HIS SPIRIT in those days .The outpouring of the HOLY SPIRIT and the accompanying supernatural signs cannot be limited to just the one day of Pentecost. The power and blessing of the HOLY SPIRIT is for every Christian to have and experience throughout the Church age.

CSI Almanac – 7th April 2024, Sunday

1st Sunday after Easter

ENCOUNTER WITH THE RISEN LORD

Morning Scripture Reading:

Genesis 32: 22 – 32

Psalms 40

Acts 9: 1 – 18

John 20: 24 – 29

Evening Scripture Reading:

Psalms 27

Revelation 1: 1 – 8

Collect:

Omnipresent GOD, who encounters people in their journey of life; as YOU have met Jacob and Paul on their way, meet us when we move against YOUR will; touch us when we wrestle with YOU; rename us to proclaim YOUR transforming presence in our lives; awaken our spirit to affirm and witness unto YOU and transform us to move across the human made boundaries that divide people, that we may be harbingers of peace and reconciliation. In the name of GOD the FATHER and the SON and the HOLY SPIRIT, world without end.

Amen.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 8th April 2024

Morning

Psalms- 95

Old Testament- Jeremiah 40: 1 – 6

New Testament- Acts 2: 36 – 41

Evening

Psalms- 96

Old Testament- Jeremiah 40: 7 – 16

New Testament- Acts 2: 42 – 47

Quiz for 8th April 2024 - from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 95 and 96

1) Witnessing verses...reference...?

Jeremiah 40: 1 – 16

2) Who was Gedaliah...?

Acts 2: 36 – 47

3) HOLY SPIRIT...reference...?

Verses for 8th April 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 95 and 96

Psalms 96: 1 – 9

When CHRIST finished HIS work on earth, and was received into HIS glory in heaven, the church began to sing a new song unto HIM, and to bless HIS name. His apostles and evangelists showed forth HIS salvation among the heathen, HIS wonders among all people.

All the earth is here summoned to worship the LORD. We must worship HIM in the beauty of holiness, as GOD in CHRIST, reconciling the world unto HIMSELF. Glorious things are said of HIM, both as motives to praise and matter of praise.

OLD TESTAMENT



Jeremiah 40: 1 – 16

Jeremiah 40: 7 – 16

Gedaliah...governor in the land, a good ruler, helped restore order and peace to the land, he served approximately five years before being assassinated by Ishmael, who wanted to continue opposition to Babylon. Gedaliah trusted Ishmael too much, even after being warned of an assassination plot.

NEW TESTAMENT



Acts 2: 36 – 47

Acts 2: 42 – 47

They continued steadfastly.

This passage describes important characteristics of the Spirit -filled church immediately after Pentecost.

Fellowship (Koinonia) the disciples not only developed a vertical relationship to GOD, but also nourished horizontally a warm, honest, open, healing, redeeming fellowship based upon a common life together in CHRIST. They pursued the fellowship of CHRIST and the HOLY SPIRIT between and among believers.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 9th April 2024

Morning

Psalms- 97

Old Testament- Jeremiah 41: 1 – 10

New Testament- Acts 3: 1 – 10

Evening

Psalms- 98 and 99

Old Testament- Jeremiah 41: 11 – 18

New Testament- Acts 3: 11 – 16

Quiz for 9th April 2024 - from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 97; 98 and 99

- 1) Salvation and second coming...reference...?

Jeremiah 41: 1 – 18

- 2) Why did Ishmael kill Gedaliah...?

Acts 3: 1 – 16

- 3) How was the miracle accomplished...?

Verses for 9th April 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 97; 98 and 99

Psalms 98: 1 – 3A

Song of praise for redeeming love is a new song, a mystery hidden from ages and generations. Converts sing a new song, very different from what they had sung. If the grace of GOD put a new heart into our breasts, it will put a new song into our mouths. Let this new song be sung to the praise of GOD, in consideration of the wonders he has wrought. The Redeemer has overcome all difficulties in the way of our redemption, and was not discouraged by the services or sufferings appointed him. Let us praise HIM for the discoveries made to the world of the work of

redemption; HIS salvation and HIS righteousness fulfilling the prophecies and promises of the Old Testament. In pursuance of this design, GOD raised up HIS SON JESUS to be not only a Light to lighten the Gentiles, but the glory of his people Israel. Surely it behoves us to inquire whether HIS holy arm hath gotten the victory in our hearts, over the power of Satan, unbelief, and sin. If this be our happy case, we shall exchange all light songs of vanity for songs of joy and thanksgiving; our lives will celebrate the Redeemer's praise.

OLD TESTAMENT



Jeremiah 41: 1 – 18

Jeremiah 41: 2 Smote Gedaliah.

Because he was violently anti Babylon, Ishmael killed Gedaliah, the governor appointed by Nebuchadnezzar, Ishmael may have believed that Gedaliah had supported the cruelty inflicted on Zedekiah.

NEW TESTAMENT



Acts 3: 1 – 16

Acts 3: 6

In the name of JESUS...walk ...

The healing of the crippled beggar was done by the power of CHRIST working through His apostles. JESUS said to His followers concerning those who would believe in HIM. In MY Name...They shall lay hands on the sick and they shall recover. The church continued JESUS healing ministry in obedience to HIS will. The miracle was accomplished through faith in the name of JESUS CHRIST and gifts of healing operating through Peter.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 10th April 2024

Morning

Psalms- 100 and 101

Old Testament- Jeremiah 42: 1 – 6

New Testament- Acts 3: 17 – 26

Evening

Psalms- 102

Old Testament- Jeremiah 42: 7 – 22

New Testament- Acts 4: 1 – 12

Quiz for 10th April 2024 - from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 100; 101 and 102

1) A perfect heart...Psalm number...?

Jeremiah 42: 1 – 22

2) What was GOD's reply through Prophet Jeremiah...?

Acts 3: 17 – 4: 12

3) HOLY SPIRIT...reference...?

Verses for 10th April 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 100; 101 and 102

Psalms 101

David's vow and profession of godliness...

In this psalm we have David declaring how he intended to regulate his household, and to govern his kingdom, that he might stop wickedness, and encourage godliness. It is also applicable to private families, and is the householder's psalm. It teaches all that have any power, whether more or less, to use it so as to be a terror to evil-doers, and a praise to them that do well. The chosen subject of the psalm is

GOD's mercy and judgment. The LORD's providences concerning His people are commonly mixed; mercy and judgment. GOD has set the one over against the other, both to do good, like showers and sunshine. When, in His providence, He exercises us with the mixture of mercy and judgment, we must make suitable acknowledgments to HIM for both. Family mercies and family afflictions are both calls to family religion. Those who are in public stations are not thereby excused from care in governing their families; they are more concerned to set a good example of ruling their own houses well. Whenever a man has a house of his own, let him seek to have GOD to dwell with him; and those may expect HIS presence, who walk with a perfect heart, in a perfect way. David resolves to practise no evil himself. He further resolves not to keep bad servants, nor to employ those about him that are wicked. He will not admit them into his family, lest they spread the infection of sin. A froward heart, one that delights to be cross and perverse, is not fit for society, the bond of which is Christian love. Nor will he countenance slanderers, those who take pleasure in wounding their neighbour's reputation. Also, GOD resists the proud, and false, deceitful people, who scruple not to tell lies, or commit frauds. Let everyone be zealous and diligent to reform his own heart and ways, and to do this early; ever mindful of that future, most awful morning, when the King of righteousness shall cut off all wicked doers from the heavenly Jerusalem.

OLD TESTAMENT



Jeremiah 42: 1 – 22

Jeremiah 42: 1 – 22

All the people....came near.

After Gedaliah was murdered, the people feared the wrath of Babylon, and so they sought GOD's will from Jeremiah, however, having already made up their minds to flee to Egypt, they only wanted to hear the word of the LORD, if it was so confirmed their intentions. GOD's answer was to abide in this land. The leaders rejected this message and went to Egypt anyway, taking Jeremiah along against his will.

NEW TESTAMENT

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Acts 3: 17 – 4: 12

Acts 3: 22

A Prophet...

Moses prediction in Deuteronomy 18:18 –19 that He will raise them up a Prophet from their brethren, like unto thee was a prophecy concerning JESUS CHRIST. In that way was Jesus like Moses 1) Moses was anointed by the Spirit, The Spirit of the LORD was upon JESUS to preach the Gospel. GOD used Moses to initiate the old covenant, JESUS brought in new covenant.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 11th April 2024

Morning

Psalms- 103

Old Testament- Jeremiah 43: 1 – 7

New Testament- Acts 4: 13 – 22

Evening

Psalms- 104: 1 – 23

Old Testament- Jeremiah 43: 8 – 13

New Testament- Acts 4: 23 – 31

Quiz for 11th April 2024 - from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 103 and 104: 1 – 23

1) Healing...reference...?

Jeremiah 43: 1 – 13

2) Did they obey GOD's commandment...?

Acts 4: 13 – 31

3) Witnessing...reference...?

Verses for 11th April 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 103 and 104: 1 – 23

Psalms 103: 15 – 18

How short is man's life, and uncertain! The flower of the garden is commonly more choice, and will last the longer, for being sheltered by the garden-wall, and the gardener's care; but the flower of the field, to which life is here compared, is not only withering in itself, but exposed to the cold blasts, and liable to be cropped and trod on by the beasts of the field. Such is man. GOD considers this, and pities him; let him consider it himself. GOD's mercy is better than life, for it will outlive it. HIS

righteousness, the truth of HIS promise, shall be unto children's children, who tread in the footsteps of their forefathers' piety. Then shall mercy be preserved to them.

OLD TESTAMENT



Jeremiah 43: 1 – 13

Jeremiah 43: 2

Thou speakest falsely.

The people only pretended to want to follow GOD's will. Because of this fully, their punishment would include the sword, famine and plagues. It is a serious mistake to pray, attend church and partake of the LORD's Supper, without sincerely desiring to follow the LORD.

NEW TESTAMENT

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Acts 4: 13 – 31

Acts 4: 20

We cannot speak.

The HOLY SPIRIT created in the apostles an overwhelming desire to proclaim the gospel. Throughout the book of Acts the Spirit impelled believers to carry the gospel to others.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 12th April 2024

Morning

Psalms- 104: 24 – 35

Old Testament- Jeremiah 44: 1 – 14

New Testament- Acts 4: 32 – 37

Evening

Psalms- 105: 1 – 22

Old Testament- Jeremiah 44: 15 – 23

New Testament- Acts 5: 1 – 11

Quiz for 12th April 2024 - from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 104: 24 – 35 and 105: 1 – 22

- 1) Briefly explain 105: 15...?

Jeremiah 44: 1 – 23

- 2) To what did the people attribute their present problems to...?

Acts 4: 32 – 5: 11

- 3) Victory over satan and demons...reference...?

Verses for 12th April 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 104: 24 – 35 and 105: 1 – 22

Psalms 104: 31 – 35

Man's glory is fading; GOD's glory is everlasting: creatures change, but with the Creator there is no variableness. And if mediation on the glories of creation be so sweet to the soul, what greater glory appears to the enlightened mind, when contemplating the great work of redemption! There alone can a sinner perceive ground of confidence and joy in GOD. While HE with pleasure upholds all, governs

all, and rejoices in all HIS works, let our souls, touched by HIS grace, meditate on and praise HIM.

OLD TESTAMENT



Jeremiah 44: 1 – 23

Jeremiah 44: 5

They hearkened not.

Judah sinned in failing to listen to GOD's Word and to take seriously what GOD said. Many people continue to sin and to live selfishly because they ignore GOD's Word or treat it lightly, they simply do not believe GOD and what HE says. Even the church has members who are not afraid of GOD's warnings and who do not respect HIS commandments.

NEW TESTAMENT



Acts 4: 32 – 5: 11

Acts 4: 33

With great power.

"Great power "is the distinguishing characteristic of apostolic preaching and witness for four reasons.

- 1) Was based on GOD's Word
2. Sent and commissioned by JESUS CHRIST
3. Through the HOLY SPIRIT brought great conviction.
4. Great power included apostles' miraculous signs and wonders, resulting in more Believers being added.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 13th April 2024

Morning

Psalms- 105: 23 – 45

Old Testament- Jeremiah 44: 24 – 30

New Testament- Acts 5: 12 – 23

Evening

Psalms- 106: 1 – 18 & 42 – 48

Old Testament- Jeremiah 45: 1 – 5

New Testament- Acts 5: 24 – 32

Verses for 13th April 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 105: 23 – 45 and 106: 1 – 18 & 42 – 48

Psalms 105: 1 – 7

Our devotion is here stirred up, that we may stir up ourselves to praise GOD. Seek HIS strength; that is, HIS grace; the strength of HIS Spirit to work in us that which is good, which we cannot do but by strength derived from HIM, for which HE will be sought. Seek to have HIS favour to eternity, therefore continue seeking it while living in this world; for HE will not only be found, but HE will reward those that diligently seek HIM.

OLD TESTAMENT



Jeremiah 44: 24 – 45: 5

Jeremiah 45: 1 – 5

Baruch, chronologically, this chapter goes back to the fourth year of king Jehoiakim's reign in Jerusalem. Its message was intended to strengthen the faith of Jeremiah's secretary Baruch, who had become discouraged because of the apparent failure of

Jeremiah's ministry and the impending judgment upon Judah, GOD instructed him not to seek power or position for himself. Because of his faithfulness to Jeremiah and to GOD's message, Baruch would survive the destruction of Jerusalem.

NEW TESTAMENT

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Acts 5: 12 – 32

Acts 5: 16

They healed everyone.

The apostles did as their LORD had done. They healed the sick and delivered those tormented with evil spirits. This was a paramount sign that the kingdom of GOD had come among the people with great power. It is part of the full message of new life that GOD by the HOLY SPIRIT working through us desires to heal those oppressed by sickness and Satan.

CSI Almanac – 14th April 2024, Sunday

2nd Sunday after Easter

Identifying Risen LORD in the Work Place

Morning Scripture Reading:

Ruth 2: 1 – 18

Psalms 15

Acts 9: 36 – 43

John 21: 1 – 14

Evening Scripture Reading:

1 Kings 19: 19 – 21 /

Acts 16: 6 – 15

Collect:

Empowering GOD, who meets us in our work places; help us to identify YOU in our work places. As disciples could recognize our LORD in the sea when they were fishing, enable us to find YOUR enlightening presence among those who toil hard in their places of employment. Enable us to accommodate the deprived ones and to be kind towards people around us. So that they may find shelter, comfort and hope in our spaces. This we ask in the name of our LORD JESUS, who continues to meet us in our work places and reigns with YOU and the HOLY SPIRIT, one GOD, forever.

Amen.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 15th April 2024

Morning

Psalms- 107: 23 – 43

Old Testament- Jeremiah 46: 1 – 13

New Testament- Acts 5: 33 – 42

Evening

Psalms- 108

Old Testament- Jeremiah 46: 14 – 28

New Testament- Acts 6: 1 – 7

Quiz for 15th April 2024 - from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 107: 23 – 43 and 108

1) With whom can we win valiantly...reference...?

Jeremiah 46: 1 – 28

2) Prophecy against whom...reference...?

Acts 5: 33 – 6: 7

3) Israelites heeded to whose counsel, what was the justification...reference...?

Verses for 15th April 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 107: 23 – 43 and 108

Psalms 107: 23 – 43

What surprising changes are often made in the affairs of men! Let the present desolate state of Judea, and of other countries, explain this. If we look abroad in the world, we see many greatly increase, whose beginning was small. We see many who have thus suddenly risen, as suddenly brought to nothing. Worldly wealth is uncertain; often those who are filled with it, ere they are aware, lose it again. GOD has many ways of making men poor. The righteous shall rejoice. It shall fully

convince all those who deny the Divine Providence. When sinners see how justly GOD takes away the gifts they have abused, they will not have a word to say. It is of great use to us to be fully assured of GOD's goodness, and duly affected with it. It is our wisdom to mind our duty, and to refer our comfort to HIM. A truly wise person will treasure in his heart this delightful psalm. From it, he will fully understand the weakness and wretchedness of man, and the power and loving-kindness of GOD, not for our merit, but for HIS mercy's sake.

OLD TESTAMENT



Jeremiah 46: 1 – 28

Jeremiah 47: 10

The day of the LORD GOD of hosts.

Egypt's defeat was GOD's doing, it was a day of vengeance because of Egypt's oppression of Judah. Ultimately, GOD will punish all nations that have rejected HIS gospel and HIS righteousness commands.

NEW TESTAMENT



Acts 5: 33 – 6: 7

Acts 6: 4

Give ourselves... to prayer.

Baptism in the HOLY SPIRIT alone is insufficient for effective Christian leadership. Church leaders must constantly devote themselves to prayer and to the preaching of the Word. The verb translated give ourselves to- denotes a steadfast and single minded fidelity and giving of much time to a certain course of action. The apostles felt that prayer and the ministry of the Word is, was and were to be the highest work of Christian leaders.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 16th April 2024

Morning

Psalms- 109: 1 – 5 & 21 – 31

Old Testament- Jeremiah 47: 1 – 7

New Testament- Acts 6: 8 – 15

Evening

Psalms- 110

Old Testament- Jeremiah 48: 1 – 10

New Testament- Acts 7: 1 – 16

Quiz for 16th April 2024 - from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 109: 1 – 5, 21 – 31 and Psalms 110

- 1) Old Testament prophecy and New Testament fulfilment...?

Jeremiah 47: 1 – 48: 10

- 2) Moabites were descendants of...?

Acts 6: 8 – 7: 16

- 3) Gifts of the HOLY SPIRIT...reference...?

Verses for 16th April 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 109: 1 – 5, 21 – 31 and Psalms 110

Psalms 110: 1 – 7

The LORD said unto my LORD...

This psalm speaks of the Lordship of the MESSIAH, HIS priesthood, HIS destruction of the wicked and HIS reign on earth. It clearly prophesies about JESUS CHRIST (the psalm is cited seven times in the New Testament) JESUS applied verse 1 to HIMSELF in making HIS claim to deity, and the apostle Peter quoted verse 1 to emphasize CHRIST's Lordship. GOD made CHRIST a priest forever.

OLD TESTAMENT



Jeremiah 47: 1 – 48: 10

Jeremiah 48: 7

Thou hast trusted in thy works and in thy treasures.

Egypt's defeat was GOD's doing, it was a day of vengeance because of Egypt's oppression of Judah. Ultimately, GOD will punish all nations that have rejected HIS gospel and HIS righteousness commands. The tendency of all the nations of the world is to trust in their technology, military might, accomplishments and wealth, this misguided trust, along with ungodly behaviour by their people will cause their downfall. Just as GOD destroyed Moab, a day is coming when HE will bring down all nations of the world a day called the day of the LORD.

NEW TESTAMENT



Acts 6: 8 – 7: 16

Acts 6: 8

Stephen... Faith and power.

The HOLY SPIRIT empowered Stephen to perform great wonders and miracles among the people and gave him great wisdom to preach the Gospel in such a way that His opponents could not refute his arguments.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 17th April 2024

Morning

Psalms- 111 and 112

Old Testament- Jeremiah 48: 11 – 30

New Testament- Acts 7: 17 – 29

Evening

Psalms- 113 and 114

Old Testament- Jeremiah 48: 31 – 47

New Testament- Acts 7: 30 – 43

Quiz for 17th April 2024 - from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 111; 112; 113 and 114

1) Wisdom...reference...?

Jeremiah 48: 11 – 47

2) Main reason for Moab's judgement...?

Acts 7: 17 – 43

3) Verse 37 who is the prophet...?

Verses for 17th April 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 111; 112; 113 and 114

Psalms 112

The blessedness of the righteous...

We have to praise the LORD that there are people in the world, who fear HIM and serve HIM and that they are happy people, who owe entirely to HIS grace. Their fear is not that which love casts out, but that which love brings in. It follows and flows from love. It is a fear to offend. This is both fear and trust. The heart touched by the

SPIRIT of GOD, as the needle touched with the loadstone, turns direct and speedily to GOD, yet still with trembling, being filled with this holy fear.

Blessings are laid up for the faithful and their children's children; and true riches are bestowed on them, with as much of this world's possessions as is profitable for them. In the darkest hours of affliction and trial, the light of hope and peace will spring up within them and seasonable relief shall turn mourning into joy. From their LORD's example they learn to be kind and full of compassion, as well as just in all their dealings; they use discretion, that they may be liberal in that manner which appears most likely to do good. Envy and slander may for a time hide their true characters here, but they shall be had in everlasting remembrance. They need not fear evil tidings.

A good man shall have a settled spirit. And it is the endeavour of true believers to keep their minds stayed upon GOD, and so to keep calm and undisturbed; and GOD has promised them both cause to do so, and grace to do so. Trusting in the LORD is the best and surest way of establishing the heart. The heart of man cannot fix anywhere with satisfaction, but in the truth of GOD, and there it finds firm footing. And those whose hearts are established by faith, will patiently wait till they gain their point.

Compare all this with the vexation of sinners. The happiness of the saints is the envy of the wicked. The desire of the wicked shall perish; their desire was wholly to the world and the flesh, therefore when these perish, their joy is gone. But the blessings of the gospel are spiritual and eternal, and are conferred upon the members of the Christian church, through CHRIST their head, who is the pattern of all righteousness, and the Giver of grace.

OLD TESTAMENT



Jeremiah 48: 11 – 47

Jeremiah 48: 14 – 47

The destruction of Moab is further prophesied, to awaken them by national repentance and reformation to prevent the trouble, or by a personal repentance and reformation to prepare for it.

After reading this long roll of threatening's, and terror, it will be of more use to us to keep in view the power of GOD's anger and the terror of HIS judgments, and to have our hearts possessed with a holy awe of GOD and of His wrath, than to search into all the figures and expressions here used. Yet it is not perpetual destruction.

The chapter ends with a promise of their return out of captivity in the latter days. Even with the Moabites, GOD will not contend forever, nor be always wroth. The Jews refer it to the days of the Messiah; when the captives of the Gentiles, under the yoke of sin and satan, shall be brought back by Divine grace, which shall make them free indeed.

NEW TESTAMENT

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Acts 7: 17 – 43

Acts 7: 38

The church in the wilderness...

The church in the wilderness refers to Israel as the people of GOD. In Hebrew the word translated "church" is qahal and is rendered in the Septuagint (Greek translation of the Old Testament) as ekklesia (assembly of church)

1) Just as Moses led the assembly in the Old Testament, CHRIST leads the assembly (i.e. church) of the New Testament. The New Testament church, designated Abraham's seed and the GOD of Israel stands in continuity with the assembly of the Old Testament

2) Like the Old Testament assembly, the church of the New Testament is in wilderness i.e. it is a pilgrim church on a journey of faith to the promised land .For this reason we must never become too comfortable with life here on this earth.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 18th April 2024

Morning

Psalms- 116 and 117

Old Testament- Jeremiah 49: 1 – 6

New Testament- Acts 7: 44 – 60

Evening

Psalms- 115

Old Testament- Jeremiah 49: 7 – 18

New Testament- Acts 8: 1 – 8

Quiz for 18th April 2024 - from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 115; 116 and 117

- 1) Shortest Psalm...?
New Testament reference ...?

Jeremiah 49: 1 – 18

- 2) Edomites were descendants of... and what was their great drawback...?

Acts 7: 44 – 8: 8

- 3) HOLY SPIRIT...reference...?

Verses for 18th April 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 115; 116 and 117

Psalms 115: 1

Not unto us, but unto THY name give glory...

We must never seek glory for ourselves, but rather always desire to manifest GOD's glory and honour HIS name before the world. We must determine to live in such a way that we will not bring shame or reproach upon the name of CHRIST or His church.

OLD TESTAMENT



Jeremiah 49: 1 – 18

Jeremiah 49: 7

Edom.

The Edomites were descendants of Jacob's twin brother Esau. Living in the mountainous region south of Dead Sea, they had a history of enmity and conflict with Israel. Edom's great sin was their pride and its fervent hatred of Israel.

NEW TESTAMENT



Acts 7: 44 – 8: 8

Acts 7: 55

Saw...JESUS standing...

The Bible normally speaks of JESUS as seated at the right hand of GOD. But here JESUS stood in order to welcome His first martyr to Himself. Stephen had confessed CHRIST before fellow humans and defended the faith. Now CHRIST, in honour of His servant, confesses Him before the HEAVENLY FATHER. For all faithful believers near death, the SAVIOUR stands ready to receive as your intercessor and advocate.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 19th April 2024

Morning

Psalms- 118

Old Testament- Jeremiah 49: 19 – 27

New Testament- Acts 8: 9 – 13

Evening

Psalms- 119: 1 – 24

Old Testament- Jeremiah 49: 28 – 39

New Testament- Acts 8: 14 – 25

Quiz for 19th April 2024 - from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 118 and 119: 1 – 24

1) New Testament...reference...?

Jeremiah 49: 19 – 39

2) Edomites were descendants of...and what was their great drawback?

Acts 8: 9 – 25

3) HOLY SPIRIT...reference...?

Verses for 19th April 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 118 and 119: 1 – 24

Psalms 119: 9

Wherewithal shall a young man cleanse his way? How many believers keep their lives pure, resisting the immoral influences that characterize the ungodly environment in which we live?

The second stanza of this psalm lists the following eight ways, one in each verse

- 1) By making an irreversible decision to remain loyal to GOD's written Word for the rest of our lives.
- 2) By seeking the LORD in prayer.
- 3) By committing GOD's Word to memory.
- 4) By looking to GOD for guidance.
- 5) By taking an open stand for GOD's truth.
- 6) By rejoicing and delighting in what GOD says.
- 7) By considering the outcome of GOD's ways as opposed to the ways of the world and
- 8) By never becoming too busy to read and study GOD's Word.

OLD TESTAMENT



Jeremiah 49: 19 – 39

Jeremiah 49: 23 – 26

Damascus.

Damascus was the major city of Syria and was located in the southern part of that country. Amos also prophesied against the people of Damascus because of their cruelty.

NEW TESTAMENT



Acts 8: 9 – 25

Acts 8: 12

They believed...the name of JESUS CHRIST.

The Samaritans fully met the conditions for salvation and were Christians before the SPIRIT came upon them. They believed and were baptized. The faith of the Samaritans was genuine saving faith.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 20th April 2024

Morning

Psalms- 119: 25 – 48

Old Testament- Jeremiah 50: 1 – 7

New Testament- Acts 8: 26 – 40

Evening

Psalms- 119: 49 – 72

Old Testament- Jeremiah 50: 8 – 20

New Testament- Acts 9: 1 – 9

Verses for 20th April 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 119: 25 – 72

Psalms 119: 25 – 32

While the souls of the children of this world cleave to the earth as their portion, the children of light are greatly burdened, because of the remains of carnal affections in their hearts. It is unspeakable comfort to a gracious soul, to think with what tenderness all its complaints are received by a gracious GOD. We can talk of the wonders of redeeming love, when we understand the way of GOD's precepts, and walk in that way. The penitent melts in sorrow for sin: even the patient spirit may melt in the sense of affliction, it is then its interest to pour out its soul before GOD. The way of lying means all false ways by which men deceive themselves and others, or are deceived by Satan and his instruments. Those who know and love the law of the LORD, desire to know it more, and love it better. The way of serious godliness is the way of truth; the only true way to happiness: we must always have actual regard to it. Those who stick to the word of GOD, may in faith expect and pray for acceptance with GOD.

LORD, never leave me to do that by which I shall shame myself, and do not thou reject my services. Those that are going to heaven, should still press forward. GOD, by HIS SPIRIT, enlarges the hearts of His people when HE gives them wisdom. The believer prays to be set free from sin.

OLD TESTAMENT



Jeremiah 50: 1 – 20

Jeremiah 50: 1 Babylon.

Jeremiah also prophesied concerning the fall of Babylon, an event that played an important part in the history of redemption. When prophet spoke these words, GOD's people were in exile in Babylon and in danger of being assimilated by another people and culture. Were that to occur, salvation through Abraham's descendants would be impossible. Babylon's grip on Israel had to be broken and GOD's people freed in order for GOD to work His will and prepare for the coming of the MESSIAH.

NEW TESTAMENT



Acts 8: 26 – 9: 9

One of our greatest jobs in preaching the gospel is to simply pray for open doors. Then, having prayed for open doors, we must keep alert to the opportunities GOD presents.

Philip was effective as an evangelist because he knew how to flow with what the HOLY SPIRIT wanted to do. He was truly led by the SPIRIT, not by his own whims and feelings.

- ❖ “Do you understand what you are reading?”- Philip asked the Ethiopian. It was good for the Ethiopian to read the Bible, but unless understanding was brought to him, there was little benefit from his reading. But GOD had brought someone (Philip) to bring understanding.
- ❖ “It was a good question – inoffensive, yet a subtle but gracious offer to explain the passage if the Ethiopian official was interested in receiving one.” “How can I, unless someone guides me?”- This could be the question of anyone who wants to understand the Bible.
We should never feel bad if we need to be taught before we can understand many things.

It is wonderful when we come to understand the great truths of Bible on our own, but GOD also has a place and a purpose for teachers among the followers of JESUS.

To get more understanding from our Bibles, we must plunge in. Butterflies wander over the flowers in the garden and accomplish nothing, but bees plunge right down into the flower, and carry away essential food. We won't get anything if we just hover over our Bibles; we have to dive right in.

3rd Sunday after Easter

COMMUNITY FORMATION AROUND RESURRECTION EXPERIENCE

Morning Scripture Reading:

Isaiah 25: 1 – 9

Psalms 126

Acts 4: 32 – 37

Luke 24: 13 – 35

Evening Scripture Reading:

Isaiah 65: 17 – 25 /

Acts 2: 43 – 47

Collect:

Resurrected GOD, who communicates to form communities in communion; gives us the attitude of oneness and sharing, implant within us a heart of brotherhood and a sense of sharing. Transform our selfish attitude and enable us to share our tables with the deprived and the basic needs. Help us to be a refuge to the poor and the needy and to be in solidarity to share the good news. Inspire us that, we may be enlightened to recognize YOU in our midst. This we ask in the name of our LORD JESUS, who reigns with YOU and the HOLY SPIRIT, one GOD, forever and ever.

Amen.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 22nd April 2024

Morning

Psalms- 119: 121 – 144

Old Testament- Jeremiah 50: 21 – 32

New Testament- Acts 9: 10 – 22

Evening

Psalms- 119: 145 – 160

Old Testament- Jeremiah 50: 33 – 46

New Testament- Acts 9: 23 – 31

Quiz for 22nd April 2024 - from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 119: 121 – 160

- 1) The psalmist experiences GOD's nearness...reference...?

Jeremiah 50: 21 – 46

- 2) Babylon defied the LORD and lived in pride...reference...?

Acts 9: 10 – 31

- 3) HOLY SPIRIT...reference...?

Verses for 22nd April 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 119: 121 – 160

Psalms 119: 121 – 128

Happy is the man, who, acting upon gospel principles, does justice to all around.

CHRIST our Surety, having paid our debt and ransom, secures all the blessings of salvation to every true believer. The psalmist expects the word of GOD's righteousness, and no other salvation than what is secured by that word, which cannot fall to the ground.

We deserve no favour from GOD; we are most easy when we cast ourselves upon GOD's mercy, and refer ourselves to it. If any man resolve to do GOD's will as his servant, he shall be made to know his testimonies. We must do what we can for the support of religion, and, after all, must beg of GOD to take the work into his own hands. It is hypocrisy to say we love GOD's commandments more than our worldly interests. The way of sin is a false way, being directly contrary to GOD's precepts, which are right: those that love and esteem GOD's law, hate sin, and will not be reconciled to it.

OLD TESTAMENT



Jeremiah 50: 21 – 46

Jeremiah 50: 32 The most proud.

Babylon defied the LORD and lived in pride, for this she would be brought low. Nothing is more odious than the pride of nations and people who live as they please while scorning the law and righteousness standards set forth in GOD's Word. What happened to ancient Babylon, will happen, to all the ungodly, in the last days.

NEW TESTAMENT



Acts 9: 10 – 31

Acts 9: 11 For behold, he prayeth...

After Paul encounters JESUS and accepts HIM as LORD and MESSIAH, he fasts and prays for guidance with an attitude of deep commitment to GOD. A saving encounter with JESUS should always result in a spiritual hunger and longing to know more about JESUS and to pursue HIM in prayer and fasting for more revelation and wholeness.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 23rd April 2024

Morning

Psalms- 120; 121 and 122

Old Testament- Jeremiah 51: 1 – 9

New Testament- Acts 9: 32 – 42

Evening

Psalms- 123; 124; and 125

Old Testament- Jeremiah 51: 10 – 19

New Testament- Acts 10: 1 – 8

Quiz for 23rd April 2024 - from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 120 to 125

- 1) The LORD the protector...Psalm number...?

Jeremiah 51: 1 – 19

- 2) Why does GOD calls on His people to flee from Babylon...?

Acts 9: 32 – 10: 8

- 3) For how many years was Aeneas bedridden with palsy...reference...?

Verses for 23rd April 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 120 to Psalms 125

Psalms 121

The safety of the godly...

We must not rely upon men and means, instruments and second causes. Shall I depend upon the strength of the hills? Upon princes and great men? No; my confidence is in GOD only.

We must lift up our eyes above the hills; we must look to GOD who makes all earthly things to us what they are. We must see all our help in GOD; from HIM we must expect it, in HIS own way and time.

This psalm teaches us to comfort ourselves in the LORD, when difficulties and dangers are greatest. It is almighty wisdom that contrives, and almighty power that works the safety of those that put themselves under GOD's protection. HE is a wakeful, watchful Keeper; HE is never weary; HE does not sleep nor slumber.

Under HIS shade they may sit with delight and assurance. HE is always near His people for their protection and refreshment. The right hand is the working hand; let them but turn to their duty, and they shall find GOD ready to give them success. HE will take care that His people shall not fall. Thou shalt not be hurt, neither by the open assaults, nor by the secret attempts of thine enemies.

The LORD shall prevent the evil thou fearest, and sanctify, remove, or lighten the evil thou feelest. HE will preserve the soul, that it be not defiled by sin, and disturbed by affliction; HE will preserve it from perishing eternally. HE will keep thee in life and death; going out to thy labour in the morning of thy days, and coming home to thy rest when the evening of old age calls thee in. It is a protection for life. The SPIRIT, who is their Preserver and Comforter, shall abide with them for ever. Let us be found in our work, assured that the blessings promised in this psalm are ours.

OLD TESTAMENT



Jeremiah 51: 1 – 19

Jeremiah 51: 6

Flee out of the midst of Babylon.

GOD calls on His people to flee from Babylon before its final destruction. Similarly, the New Testament exhorts believers to come out of the end time Babylon, lest they participate in her sins and receive her judgment.

NEW TESTAMENT

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Acts 9: 32 – 10: 8

Acts 9: 36

Dorcas...full of good works.

As GOD worked through Peter to heal and to raise the dead, HE also worked through Dorcas with her deeds of kindness and love. Acts of love that help those in need are as much a demonstration of CHRIST's compassion and the HOLY SPIRIT's presence as - are miracles, signs and wonders. Paul emphasized this truth in 1 Corinthians 13.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 24th April 2024

Morning

Psalms- 126; 127 and 128

Old Testament- Jeremiah 51: 20 – 32

New Testament- Acts 10: 9 – 23

Evening

Psalms- 129; 130; and 131

Old Testament- Jeremiah 51: 33 – 44

New Testament- Acts 10: 24 – 33

Quiz for 24th April 2024 - from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 126 to 131

- 1) Israel's enemies...Psalm number...?

Jeremiah 51: 20 – 44

- 2) Reference of Ararat...Explain brief history...?

Acts 10: 9 – 33

- 3) Interpret verse 13...?

Verses for 24th April 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 126 to 131

Psalms 127: 1 – 5

Except what the LORD builds ...

Only what is from GOD and has HIS blessing is truly valuable in life, conversely, if GOD is not in our lives, activities, goals and families, then all is in vain and will end in frustration and disappointment. Thus we should seek GOD's blessing and guidance in all things from the very beginning of our lives.

OLD TESTAMENT



Jeremiah 51: 20 – 44

Jeremiah 51: 33

The time of her harvest shall come.

Babylon had sown seeds of cruelty, idolatry and immorality, now she would reap the harvest of GOD's judgement. We must remember that sins are seeds from which a large and terrible harvest will eventually spring. Be not deceived. GOD is not mocked - for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap.

NEW TESTAMENT



Acts 10: 9 – 33

Acts 10: 19

The SPIRIT said unto him...

The HOLY SPIRIT desires the salvation of all people. Since the apostles received the SPIRIT, they too wanted all people to be saved intellectually, however they did not understand that salvation was no longer restricted to Israel, but was now for all nations. It was the HOLY SPIRIT that brought the church to a broader vision. In Acts HE is the power of the mission enterprise, directing the church into new areas of witness.

The outpouring of the SPIRIT and the compulsion to mission always belong together. Even today many believers desire the salvation of their own community, yet they have not understood fully the HOLY SPIRIT's purpose for world missions and the nations.

CSI Almanac – 25th April 2024, Thursday

MARK, EVANGELIST

Old Testament Reading:

Hosea 6: 1 – 6 / Proverbs 15: 28 – 33

Psalms Reading:

Psalms 119: 1 – 8

Epistle Reading:

2 Timothy 4: 1 – 11 / 1 Peter 5: 5 – 14

Gospel Reading:

Luke 12: 4 – 12 / Mark 14: 43 – 52

Collect:

Almighty GOD, who enlightened YOUR Church through the inspired witness of YOUR evangelist Saint Mark: grant that we, being firmly grounded in the truth of the Gospel, may be faithful to its teaching both in word and deed; through JESUS CHRIST YOUR SON our LORD, Who lives and reigns with YOU in the unity of the HOLY SPIRIT, one GOD, now and ever.

Amen.

Verse for thought:

For I desire steadfast love and not sacrifice, the knowledge of GOD rather than burnt offerings.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 26th April 2024

Morning

Psalms- 136

Old Testament- Jeremiah 52: 1 – 11

New Testament- Acts 11: 19 – 30

Evening

Psalms- 137: 1 – 6 and Psalms 138

Old Testament- Jeremiah 52: 12 – 34

New Testament- Acts 12: 1 – 12

Quiz for 26th April 2024 - from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 136; Psalms 137: 1 – 6 and Psalms 138

1) The LORD is faithful...Psalm number...?

Jeremiah 52: 1 – 34

2) Why was King Jehoiakim honoured...?

Acts 11: 19 – 12: 12

3) Who was the first Apostle to be martyred...reference...?

Verses for 26th April 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 136; Psalms 137: 1 – 6 and Psalms 138

Psalms 136

For HIS mercy endureth forever...

This repeated refrain teaches us that GOD's mercy and love are the foundation of all HIS works on our behalf and the fountainhead of all our Thanksgiving. HIS love includes HIS mercy, faithfulness and kindness.

OLD TESTAMENT



Jeremiah 52: 1 – 34

Jeremiah 52: 31 – 34

See this history of king Jehoiachin in 2 Kings 25:27-30.

Those under oppression will find it is not in vain for them to hope and quietly to wait for the salvation of the LORD our times are in GOD's hand, for the hearts of all we have to deal with are so.

May we be enabled, more and more, to rest on the Rock of Ages, and to look forward with holy faith to that hour, when the LORD will bring Zion again, and overthrow all the enemies of the church.

NEW TESTAMENT



Acts 11: 19 – 12: 12

Acts 12: 2

Killed James.

GOD allowed James, the brother of John, to die, yet He sent an angel to rescue Peter. That James should die while Peter lived for further ministry is the mysterious way of GOD with His people. James had the honour of being the first of the apostles to meet a martyr's death. He died as HIS LORD had, for the cause of GOD.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 27th April 2024

Morning

Psalms- 139

Old Testament- Numbers 1: 1 – 16

New Testament- Acts 12: 13 – 25

Evening

Psalms- 140: 1 – 9, 12 & 13 and Psalms 141

Old Testament- Numbers 1: 17 – 31

New Testament- Acts 13: 1 – 12

Verses for 27th April 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 139; Psalms 140: 1 – 9, 12 & 13 and Psalms 141

Psalms 139

Thou hast searched me.

This psalm describes various aspects of GOD's attributes, especially HIS omnipresence and omniscience as these characters relate to HIS care for His people. The GOD of heaven and earth created us and has perfect knowledge of us. HE is always with us and HIS thoughts are always directed toward us in every situation.

OLD TESTAMENT



Numbers 1: 1 – 31

Numbers 1: 1

The LORD spake unto Moses.

What Moses wrote was by inspiration from GOD, a fact repeated over and over. It is emphasized in the first verse, and at the beginning of many of the chapters of this book.

Numbers 1:1

Wilderness of Sinai.

GOD's command to Moses came 10 and 1/2 months after the people arrived at Mount Sinai i.e. 13 months after Exodus. The events recorded in Numbers occurred over a period of approximately 39 years, the total time of Israel's wandering in the wilderness.

NEW TESTAMENT

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Acts 12: 13 – 13: 12

Acts 13: 13

They sent them away.

With this passage begins the great missionary movement unto the uttermost part of the earth .The missionary principles described are a model for all missionary sending churches. Missionary activity is initiated by the HOLY SPIRIT through spiritual leaders who are deeply devoted to the LORD and HIS kingdom seeking HIM with prayer and fasting.

CSI Almanac – 28th April 2024, Sunday

4th Sunday after Easter

BELIEVING IN CHRIST: THE RESURRECTION

Morning Scripture Reading:

2 Kings 4: 27 – 37

Psalms 90

Acts 26: 12 – 23

John 11: 17 – 28

Evening Scripture Reading:

1 Kings 17: 17 – 24/

1 Peter 1: 3 – 12

Collect:

ALMIGHTY GOD, YOU have exalted JESUS CHRIST and made HIM LORD of all. Give us faith and courage to believe and follow the CHRIST who is the resurrection and the source of our eternal life. Open our eyes and help us to overcome our unbelief and unfaithfulness so that we may also witness and proclaim HIS life affirming and redemptive acts through our words and deeds; through JESUS CHRIST our LORD, who lives and reigns with YOU and the HOLY SPIRIT, one GOD, world without end.

Amen.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 29th April 2024

Morning

Psalms- 145

Old Testament- Numbers 1: 32 – 46

New Testament- Acts 13: 13 – 25

Evening

Psalms- 146

Old Testament- Numbers 1: 47 – 54

New Testament- Acts 13: 26 – 37

Quiz for 29th April 2024 - from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 145 and 146

- 1) An exhortation to trust GOD...Psalm number...?

Numbers 1: 32 – 54

- 2) Where was the census taken? How many males above 20 years were counted...?

Acts 13: 13 – 37

- 3) Where did Paul give exhortation...?

Verses for 29th April 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 145 and 146

Psalms 145: 8

The LORD is gracious...

The Lord is gracious. This often repeated refrain expresses GODs delight in showing mercy. When HE sees misery, it moves HIS heart to compassion, HE is slow to become angry at our offenses and quickly shows love and mercy when forgiveness is requested .

OLD TESTAMENT



Numbers 1: 32 – 54

Numbers 1: 46

Six hundred thousand.

The census taken at Mount Sinai totalled 603,550 males above the age of 20 not including the Levites. The nation of Israel, therefore, totalled perhaps at least two million people. For this many people to have been sustained in the wilderness would have required a perpetual miracle, a truth that the Word of GOD clearly stresses.

NEW TESTAMENT



Acts 13: 13 – 37

Acts 13: 31

His witnesses unto the people.

A witness is one who testifies by act or word to the truth. Christian witnesses are those who confirm and testify to the saving work of JESUS CHRIST by word, deed life and if necessary even death.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 30th April 2024

Morning

Psalms- 147

Old Testament- Numbers 2: 1 – 17

New Testament- Acts 13: 38 – 43

Evening

Psalms- 148

Old Testament- Numbers 2: 18 – 34

New Testament- Acts 13: 44 – 52

Quiz for 30th April 2024 - from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 147 and 148

1) Nature's praise of the LORD...Psalm number...?

Numbers 2: 1 – 34

2) Which tribes were positioned in East, South, West, and North? Where was the location of the tabernacle and the camp of the Levites...reference ...?

Acts 13: 38 – 52

3) Fruit of the HOLY SPIRIT...reference...?

Verses for 30th April 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 147 and 148

Psalms 148: 1 – 6

We, in this dark and sinful world, know little of the heavenly world of light. But we know that there is above us a world of blessed angels. They are always praising GOD, therefore the psalmist shows his desire that GOD may be praised in the best manner; also we show that we have communion with spirits above, who are still praising HIM. The heavens, with all contained in them, declare the glory of God.

They call on us, that both by word and deed, we glorify with them the CREATOR and REDEEMER of the universe.

OLD TESTAMENT



Numbers 2: 1 – 34

The thousands of Israel, having been mustered in the former chapter, in this are marshalled, and a regular disposition is made of their camp, by a divine appointment. Here is,

I. A general order concerning it (verses 1, 2).

II. Particular directions for the posting of each of the tribes, in four distinct squadrons, three tribes in each squadron.

1. In the van-guard on the east were posted Judah, Issachar, and Zebulun (verses 3-9).
2. In the right wing, southward, Reuben, Simeon, and Gad (verses 10-16).
3. In the rear, westward, Ephraim, Manasseh, and Benjamin, (verses 18-24).
4. In the left wing, northward, Dan, Asher, and Naphtali (verses 25-31).
5. The tabernacle in the centre (verse 17).

III. The conclusion of this appointment (verses 32, etc.).

NEW TESTAMENT

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Acts 13: 38 – 52

Acts 13: 52

Filled with the HOLY GHOST.

The Greek verb translated filled is in the imperfect tense, expressing continued action in past time. The disciples were being continually filled and empowered day by day. The SPIRIT's fullness is not merely a onetime initial experience, but a life of renewed fillings for GOD - given needs and tasks.

May 2024

CSI Almanac – 1st May 2024, Wednesday

PARTICIPATING IN GOD'S WORK

(May Day)

Old Testament Reading:

Exodus 36: 1 – 13

Psalms Reading:

Psalms 104: 23 – 35

Epistle Reading:

Acts 9: 36 – 43

Gospel Reading:

John 4: 34 – 38

Collect:

Our gracious GOD, YOUR SON and our LORD JESUS descended to this world to restore our broken relationship with YOU. Also HE who experienced sweat and hard labour in sharing the responsibilities as the son of Mary and Joseph. Help us to be faithful in all our responsibilities and duties even in small work which YOU have entrusted to us; through JESUS CHRIST our LORD, Who lives and reigns with YOU and the HOLY SPIRIT, one GOD, world without end.

Amen.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 2nd May 2024

Morning

Psalms- 8 and 9

Old Testament- Numbers 3: 33 – 39

New Testament- Acts 14: 19 – 28

Evening

Psalms- 6 and 7

Old Testament- Numbers 3: 40 – 51

New Testament- Acts 15: 1 – 11

Quiz for 2nd May 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 6 to 9

- 1) Old Testament Prophecy and New Testament fulfilment...?

Numbers 3: 33 – 51

- 2) How many were first born males ...?

Acts 14: 19 – 15: 11

- 3) HOLY SPIRIT...reference...?

Verses for 2nd May 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 6 to 9

Psalms 7: 1

In THEE do I put my trust.

Those who have sincerely committed themselves to GOD may with all confidence take refuge in the LORD and commit their life situations to HIM. In the midst of unjust or troublesome times, we may place ourselves under the protection of GOD and appeal to HIM on the basis of our faithfulness and righteousness.

OLD TESTAMENT



Numbers 3: 33 – 51

Numbers 3: 40 – 51

The number of the first-born, and that of the Levites, came near to each other.

Known unto GOD are all HIS works beforehand; there is an exact proportion between them, and so it will appear, when they are compared together. The small number of first-born, over and above the number of the Levites, were to be redeemed, and the redemption-money given to Aaron. The church is called the church of the first-born, which is redeemed, not as they were, with silver and gold; but, being devoted by sin to the justice of GOD, is ransomed with the precious blood of the SON of GOD. All men are the LORD's by creation, and all true Christians are HIS by redemption. Each should know his own post and duty; nor can any service required by such a Master be rightly accounted mean or hard.

NEW TESTAMENT

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Acts 14: 19 – 15: 11

Acts 15: 8

GOD, which knoweth the hearts.

GOD's knowledge of the hearts of the Gentiles (Cornelius and his household) refers to HIS seeing- saving faith within them. GOD testified to the genuineness of their faith by cleansing their hearts with the inward work of regeneration by the HOLY SPIRIT and by Baptizing them in the SPIRIT immediately afterwards, with the accompanying sign of speaking in tongues.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 3rd May 2024

Morning

Psalms- 10 and 11

Old Testament- Numbers 4: 1 – 15

New Testament- Acts 15: 12 – 21

Evening

Psalms- 12; 13 and 14

Old Testament- Numbers 4: 16 – 28

New Testament- Acts 15: 22 – 41

Quiz for 3rd May 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 10 to 14

1) Salvation reference...?

Numbers 4: 1 – 28

2) Briefly describe the religious duties of Kohathites and Gershonites ...?

Acts 15: 12 – 41

3) Gifts of the HOLY SPIRIT...reference...?

Verses for 3rd May 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 10 to 14

Psalms 12

Help LORD...

This psalm describes time when the ungodly activity of the wicked is keenly felt by those committed to GOD and HIS righteousness in all ages. GOD's people have experienced this, but in the last days of this age these conditions will be especially prevalent. The faithful should know that when they are surrounded by the evils of society and are grieved and oppressed by the wicked and their immorality, they will

be specially protected by the power of GOD. GOD will keep them and preserve them from the evil generation for ever.

OLD TESTAMENT



Numbers 4: 1 – 28

Numbers 4: 20

Lest they die...

The holiness of GOD will either destroy or sanctify. GOD was teaching His people that HIS presence brings blessing if they obeyed and honoured, but judgement if they treated with irreverence or dishonour.

NEW TESTAMENT



Acts 15: 12 – 41

Acts 15: 28

It seemed good to the HOLY GHOST.

The Jerusalem council was directed by the HOLY SPIRIT.

JESUS promised that the SPIRIT would guide His followers into all truth. Humans alone must not make decisions of the church, they must seek the SPIRIT's guidance through prayer, fasting and commitment to GOD's Word until HIS will is clearly discerned. The Church, if it is to be the church of CHRIST, must hear what the SPIRIT says to the churches.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 4th May 2024

Morning

Psalms- 15 and 16

Old Testament- Numbers 4: 29 – 49

New Testament- Acts 16: 1 – 11

Evening

Psalms- 17

Old Testament- Numbers 5: 1 – 10

New Testament- Acts 16: 12 – 18

Verses for 4th May 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 15 to 17

Psalms 16: 5

The LORD is the portion of mine inheritance and of my cup...

The inheritance and cup are the LORD Himself. An important aspect of our inheritance as New Testament believers is the following. If a man will love ME he will keep MY Words and MY FATHER will love him, and WE will come unto him, and make OUR abode with him.

Communion with GOD is the sure source of blessings and happiness.

OLD TESTAMENT



Numbers 4: 29 – 5: 10

Numbers 5: 2

Put out of the camp...

People who had leprosy or discharges, or those who had come into contact with the dead, were ceremonially unclean. Such people were put outside the camp as because GOD would not dwell in the midst of uncleanness.

The New Testament applies the moral principle behind this regulation to church members who flagrantly transgress GOD's truth or righteousness, they must be put out of the congregation of the body if believers expects to receive the blessing and presence of GOD.

NEW TESTAMENT

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Acts 16: 1 – 18

Acts 16: 6

Forbidden of the HOLY GHOST.

Every initiative in evangelism and missionary activity, especially in the missionary journeys recorded in Acts, is the result of the leading of the HOLY SPIRIT. The guidance may have taken the form of a prophetic revelation, inward prompting, external circumstances or visions. Under the impulse of the SPIRIT, believers moved forward to take the gospel to the unsaved. When checked by the SPIRIT from going in one direction, they would go in another, trusting in the HOLY SPIRIT to either approve or disapprove of their travelling plans.

CSI Almanac – 5th May 2024, Sunday

5th Sunday after Easter

CHRIST'S INVITATION TO BE AN EXPRESSION OF MISSION

Morning Scripture Reading:

Ezekiel 34: 25 – 31

Psalms 47

1 Peter 2: 1 – 10

John 20: 19 – 23

Evening Scripture Reading:

Psalms 96

Ephesians 5: 1 – 14

Collect:

GOD of care and compassion, we thank and praise YOU for the energy of HOLY SPIRIT breathed on the church to obey YOUR commission to be in the mission of forgiveness and love. We thank YOU for extending such an invitation through YOUR SON and our SAVIOUR JESUS CHRIST to be an expression of mission in ourselves and work with the Holy Spirit to establish justice and peace in and through the mission of GOD. Build us as living stones of YOUR spiritual houses to be a holy priesthood in offering ourselves as spiritual sacrifices acceptable to YOU in JESUS CHRIST who reigns with YOU and the HOLY SPIRIT, one GOD, forever and ever.

Amen.

CSI Almanac – 6th May 2024, Monday

JOHN, APOSTLE AND EVANGELIST

Old Testament Reading:

Exodus 33: 18 – 23

Psalms Reading:

Psalms 27

Epistle Reading:

1 John 1: 1 – 4

Gospel Reading:

John 21: 20 – 25

Collect:

Almighty GOD, who through John the Apostle affirmed the truth in YOUR SON JESUS CHRIST in the context of false teachings, grant that we too may stand steadfast in this truth in YOUR SON who is the way, the truth, the light and the life; through the same JESUS CHRIST our LORD, who lives and reigns with YOU and the HOLY SPIRIT, one GOD, world without end.

Amen.

1. Exodus 33: 18 – 23 - is a wonderful portion of Scripture which, points us to the gracious and glorious gospel of GOD. We have seen this in many ways, especially in the typological picture of Moses as the mediator of the people knowing GOD begins with a glorious request. Moses wanted to know GOD's glory, and so he asked GOD to show him. "And he said, 'Please, show me Your glory'".

Moses, having interceded on behalf of the nation, was now assured that the LORD's presence would go with them. The LORD had relented of His intention to mothball His tabernacle plans. Things were back on track; the trek toward Canaan could begin. The LORD would go with them and the nations would see that the LORD was indeed among them. But there was one more matter for which Moses prayed.

Moses begged GOD to show him HIS glory. He wanted to know something of GOD's weightiness, of how "heavy" GOD was. Without the knowledge of GOD, life would be a weight of grief. It would be grievous, sore, and so Moses asked for a revelation of GOD's glory. We should realise that, while the burden of obedience to CHRIST is a light one, it is nevertheless a burden. It is light compared to the burden of not knowing CHRIST, but let us never forget that following CHRIST involves a yoke (see Matthew 11:28-30). We should carefully consider and choose our weight.

2. Psalms 27 - The verse which every Christian believer knows, the beauty of this chapter is the verse 4. Where King David after going through lots of humiliation from his brothers, King Saul, his friends, children and up on all the people of his own nation, running around all of them finally his decision was he thought better to stay in the temple than in his palace.

3. 1 John 1: 1 – 4 - John's careful statement, "the Word was with GOD, and the WORD was GOD" simultaneously identifies the WORD as GOD and describes the WORD as "with" and thus in some way separate from GOD. GOD's word means "he is GOD's self-expression, GOD's thought or mind, GOD's interior word spoken aloud, JESUS not only as the representative of GOD, but also as the representation of GOD: the one whose origins lie uniquely in the very being of GOD."

4. John 21: 20 – 25 - Two important things captured my imagination in this last chapter of John:

Peter was forgiven. Peter is the loud-mouthed disciple who boasted that he would never deny JESUS and then denied that he even knew HIM before dawn of the next day. JESUS forgives Peter in this chapter and commissions him to “feed my sheep.” This is a powerful picture of what JESUS’ ministry is all about: second chances and third, and fourth, etc.

As a side note: my traveling companion and I speculated yesterday about Judas, who also betrayed JESUS. If Judas had not taken his own life, would JESUS have also forgiven and restored him? I think yes.

JESUS told Peter to mind his own journey. This is good advice for all of us. Too many times we base our own sense of self-worth and spirituality by comparing ourselves to others. We either look at those whom we consider super-spiritual and tell ourselves that we are scum. Or, we look at those whom we consider to be slackers and may become smug in our superiority.

Both attitudes are dangerous and unproductive. When Peter did this JESUS scolded him and said (my translation), “Peter, you mind your own journey and simply follow me.”

There it is. That is our task. Follow JESUS. HE is the way. If we see HIM, we see the FATHER. The SPIRIT gives us eyes to see and the strength to follow. Our task is not to judge each other, but to follow JESUS side by side and help each other along the journey.

Mrs. Hema Prasad Tatineni

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 7th May 2024

Morning

Psalms- 22

Old Testament- Numbers 6: 1 – 12

New Testament- Acts 17: 1 – 9

Evening

Psalms- 23 and 24

Old Testament- Numbers 6: 13 – 21

New Testament- Acts 17: 10 – 15

Quiz for 7th May 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 22 to 24

- 1) Old Testament prophecy and New Testament fulfilment...?

Numbers 6: 1 – 21

- 2) What was the visible symbol of Nazarite...reference ...?

Acts 17: 1 – 15

- 3) How did the Bereans receive the gospel...reference...?

Verses for 7th May 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 22 to 24

Psalms 24: 4

Clean hands and a pure heart...

David emphasizes that those who want to worship and serve GOD and receive HIS blessing must be pursuing a pure heart and a righteous life. Clean hands are hands free from external acts of sin. A pure heart refers to inward holiness, right motives and goals. Only the pure in the heart will see GOD.

OLD TESTAMENT



Numbers 6: 1 – 21

Numbers 6: 2

A Nazarite...

The word Nazarite to set apart designated one who was set apart and dedicated wholly to the LORD. The dedication could be for a specific period of time or for life. The Nazarites were raised up by GOD HIMSELF in order that through their lifestyle they might demonstrate HIS highest standard of holiness, sanctity and commitment in the presence of the people. Totally voluntary.

NEW TESTAMENT



Acts 17: 1 – 15

Acts 17: 11

Searched the scriptures daily.

The action of those in Berea is a model for all who listen to preachers and teachers expound the Scriptures. No interpretation or doctrine ought to be accepted passively. Rather, it must be examined carefully. The truth of every doctrine should be examined according to the Word of GOD.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 8th May 2024

Morning

Psalms- 25 and 26

Old Testament- Numbers 6: 22 – 27

New Testament- Acts 17: 16 – 23

Evening

Psalms- 27 and 28

Old Testament- Numbers 7: 1 – 11

New Testament- Acts 17: 24 – 34

Quiz for 8th May 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 25 to 28

- 1) Prayer for guidance and protection...Psalm number...?

Numbers 6: 22 – 7: 11

- 2) Aaronic benediction...Fruit of the HOLY SPIRIT ...?

Acts 17: 16 – 34

- 3) Explain briefly verse 23...?

Verses for 8th May 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 25 to 28

Psalms 26: 8

I have loved the habitation of THY house.

The psalmist's happiness does not come from associating with the world but from being in the house and congregation of the LORD, where GOD's presence and power are manifested among His people, where GOD's glory dwells, and where believers walk in GOD's truth.

OLD TESTAMENT



Numbers 6: 22 – 7: 11

Numbers 6: 23

Bless the children of Israel...

Verses 22 to 27 shows GOD's gracious response to His people if they maintained purity in the congregation and expressed the kind of heart devotion seen in Nazarite vow. To bless conveys the idea that GOD's presence, activity and love are brought into a person's life and environment. This blessing was set before GOD's faithful servants under the conditions HE had established.

Numbers 6: 24 – 26

The LORD bless you and keep you

The LORD make HIS face to shine upon you, and be gracious to you.

The LORD lift up HIS countenance upon you, and give you peace.

NEW TESTAMENT



Acts 17: 16 – 34

Acts 17: 30

Commands all ...to repent...

In the past, before full knowledge of GOD came through JESUS CHRIST, GOD overlooked much of human sin and ignorance of Himself. Now that HIS full and perfect revelation has come with CHRIST's appearing all are commanded to repent and believe in JESUS as LORD and SAVIOUR. There are no exceptions, for GOD will not overlook anyone's sins. All must turn from sin to GOD or be condemned. Repentance, in other words, is an essential posture for receiving the gift of salvation.

CSI Almanac – 9th May 2024, Thursday

CHRIST – LORD OF ALL

(Ascension of our LORD)

Old Testament Reading:

Daniel 7: 9 – 14

Psalms Reading:

Psalms 47

Epistle Reading:

Acts 1: 1 – 11

Gospel Reading:

Luke 24: 50 – 53

Collect:

Merciful GOD, YOU sent YOUR SON who became one of us, to suffer, die and rise again from the dead, in order to bring human beings into YOUR fold. Help us to lift up our hearts and attitude high towards JESUS CHRIST who ascended into heavens so that we may strive to lift up the marginalized in our society. Grant us YOUR SPIRIT to worship CHRIST who is our LORD and LORD of all and declare YOUR salvific acts in CHRIST to the ends of the earth, through JESUS CHRIST our LORD, Who lives and reigns with YOU and the HOLY SPIRIT, one GOD, now and ever.

Amen.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 10th May 2024

Morning

Psalms- 33

Old Testament- Numbers 7: 48 – 65

New Testament- Acts 18: 23 – 28

Evening

Psalms- 32

Old Testament- Numbers 7: 66 – 77

New Testament- Acts 19: 1 – 10

Quiz for 10th May 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 32 and 33

1) The LORD provides and delivers...Psalm number...?

Numbers 7: 48 – 77

2) Shekel equivalent in grams...?

Acts 18: 23 – 19: 10

3) HOLY SPIRIT...reference...?

Verses for 10th May 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 32 and 33

Psalms 32: 5

I acknowledge my sin...

Acknowledging and confessing sin with an honest, sincere and repentant heart will always result in GOD's gracious pardon, the removal of guilt and the gift of HIS abiding presence.

OLD TESTAMENT



Numbers 7: 48 – 77

Numbers 7: 51 – 57

The princes and great men were most forward in the service of GOD. Here is an example to those in authority, and of the highest rank; they ought to use their honour and power, their estate and interest, to promote religion and the service of GOD in the places where they live. Though it was a time of joy and rejoicing, yet still, in the midst of their sacrifices, we find a sin-offering. As, in our best services, we are conscious that there is sin, there should be repentance, even in our most joyful services. In all approaches to GOD we must by faith look to CHRIST as the Sin-offering. They brought their offerings each on a day. GOD's work should not be done confusedly, or in a hurry; take time, and we shall have done the sooner, or, at least, we shall have done the better. If services are to be done for twelve days together, we must not call it a task and a burden. All their offerings were the same; all the tribes of Israel had an equal share in the altar, and an equal interest in the sacrifices offered upon it. He who now spake to Moses, as the Shechinah or Divine Majesty, from between the Cherubim, was the ETERNAL WORD, the second Person in the Trinity; for all GOD's communion with man is by HIS SON, by whom HE made the world, and rules the church, who is the same yesterday, to-day, and for ever.

NEW TESTAMENT



Acts 18: 23 – 19: 10

Acts 18: 25

Knowing only the baptism of John.

At this time Apollo's understanding of the gospel was limited. He had accepted John's baptism and believed in JESUS as the crucified and resurrected MESSIAH. What he had not learned was that JESUS HIMSELF was now baptizing all believers in the HOLY SPIRIT. The Ephesian disciples were in much the same situation.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 11th May 2024

Morning

Psalms- 34

Old Testament- Numbers 7: 78 – 89

New Testament- Acts 19: 11 – 20

Evening

Psalms- 35

Old Testament- Numbers 8: 1 – 12

New Testament- Acts 19: 21 – 29

Verses for 11th May 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 34 to 35

Psalms 34: 7

The angel of the LORD encampeth round about.

The angel of the Lord refers to the angelic host of heaven, they are ministering spirits, sent forth to minister for them who shall be heirs of salvation. GOD has appointed His angels to protect and rescue His saints from physical and spiritual harm. This promise of divine intervention is reserved only for those who truly fear GOD.

OLD TESTAMENT



Numbers 7: 78 – 8: 12

Numbers 8: 11

Levites...for an offering.

The same Hebrew word used here is translated wave offering in Leviticus 7:30. The wave offering was the priests' portion of the peace offering. It was waved toward the sanctuary as a sign of dedication to GOD and then waved toward the offerer or priest, indicating that the LORD was putting the offering at his or her disposal. Here the Levites themselves are a wave offering to the LORD. Seeing that the Levites could not be waved literally, the dedication was carried out symbolically.

NEW TESTAMENT

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Acts 19: 11 – 29

Acts 19: 12

Handkerchiefs or aprons.

Paul's ministry at Ephesus was marked by extraordinary miracles of healing and deliverance from demons, accomplished directly or through handkerchiefs and aprons that had been in contact with his body. Diseases disappeared and evil spirits left when the afflicted touched the cloth.

CSI Almanac – 12th May 2024, Sunday

6th Sunday after Easter

WAITING UPON THE HOLY SPIRIT

Morning Scripture Reading:

Isaiah 40: 25 – 31

Psalms 51

Acts 1: 1 – 11

Luke 24: 44 – 49

Evening Scripture Reading:

Psalms 42

John 14: 15 – 21

Collect:

Sovereign GOD, You showered bountiful blessings upon disciples who waited for HOLY SPIRIT. Now we humbly wait upon and ask the blessings of the HOLY SPIRIT which sustains, enriches and strengthens our life in the midst of all our dread and fragile life. May Your ever cleansing power redeem us from the clutches of the evil and unjust world so that we may be enabled through Your SPIRIT to proclaim the gospel to the end of the world; through JESUS CHRIST our LORD, who lives and reigns with YOU and the HOLY SPIRIT, one GOD, world without end.

Amen.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 13th May 2024

Morning

Psalms- 38

Old Testament- Numbers 8: 13 – 26

New Testament- Acts 19: 30 – 41

Evening

Psalms- 39

Old Testament- Numbers 9: 1 – 14

New Testament- Acts 20: 1 – 12

Quiz for 13th May 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 38 and 39

1) In time of trouble...Psalm number...?

Numbers 8: 13 – 9: 14

2) Who were given as substitute to firstborn of Israelites...?

Acts 19: 30 – 20: 12

3) Who fell off the 3rd floor...?

Verses for 13th May 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 38 and 39

Psalms 38: 21

Be not far from me.

One terrible consequence if wilful sin is the loss of GOD's fellowship and the sense of HIS presence. It is a grievous and bitter experience to commit wilful sin after knowing the mercy of GOD and the indwelling of the HOLY SPIRIT.

OLD TESTAMENT



Numbers 8: 13 – 9: 14

Numbers 8: 17a

The first-born...are mine.

All Israelite first-born belonged to the LORD, however GOD allowed the Levites to become substitutes for all the first-born.

NEW TESTAMENT



Acts 19: 30 – 20: 12

Acts 19: 31 – 42

The Jews came forward in this tumult.

Those who are thus careful to distinguish themselves from the servants of CHRIST now, and are afraid of being taken for them, shall have their doom accordingly in the great day.

One, having authority, at length stilled the noise. It is a very good rule at all times, both in private and public affairs, not to be hasty and rash in our motions, but to take time to consider; and always to keep our passions under check. We ought to be quiet, and to do nothing rashly; to do nothing in haste, of which we may repent at leisure. The regular methods of the law ought always to stop popular tumults, and in well-governed nations will do so. Most people stand in awe of men's judgments more than of the judgement of GOD. How well it were if we would thus quiet our disorderly appetites and passions, by considering the account we must shortly give to the Judge of heaven and earth! And see how the overruling providence of GOD keeps the public peace, by an unaccountable power over the spirits of men. Thus the world is kept in some order, and men are held back from devouring each other. We can scarcely look around but we see men act like Demetrius and the workmen. It is as safe to contend with wild beasts as with men enraged by party zeal and disappointed covetousness, who think that all arguments are answered, when they have shown that they grow rich by the practices which are opposed. Whatever side in religious disputes, or whatever name this spirit assumes, it is worldly, and should be discountenanced by all who regard truth and piety. And let us not be dismayed; the LORD on high is mightier than the noise of many waters; he can still the rage of the people.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 14th May 2024

Morning

Psalms- 40

Old Testament- Numbers 9: 15 – 23

New Testament- Acts 20: 13 – 24

Evening

Psalms- 41

Old Testament- Numbers 10: 1 – 10

New Testament- Acts 20: 25 – 38

Quiz for 14th May 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 40 and 41

1) Healing...reference...?

Numbers 9: 15 – 10: 10

2) What was the Divine provision, protection and guidance...?

Acts 20: 13 – 38

3) Witnessing...reference...?

Verses for 14th May 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 40 and 41

Psalms 41: 1

Blessed is he that considereth the poor.

GOD has a special concern for the weak and helpless, and HE blesses those who show loving kindness to the needy. If we have shared GOD's pity for those in need, we can pray with confidence that GOD will deliver us when we are in trouble, protect us from harm, bless our lives, destroy the power of satan and our enemies, and give us HIS presence and healing when we are sick.

OLD TESTAMENT



Numbers 9: 15 – 10: 10

Numbers 9: 15 – 23

Cloud...fire.

The cloud by day and the fire by night served as a sign of divine provision and protection and guidance for Israel in the wilderness. The Bible emphasizes that the people were to move or stay only as the supernatural sign indicated. However, GOD's guidance did not eliminate the need for human wisdom and planning based on principles of HIS Word.

NEW TESTAMENT



Acts 20: 13 – 38

Acts 20: 19

With many tears.

Paul on several occasions mentions his serving the LORD with tears. In this address to the Ephesian elders, he speaks of daily warning them with tears for a period of three years. The tears were not the result of weakness, rather Paul saw the lost condition of the human race, the evil consequences of sin, and the distortion of the gospel and the peril of rejecting the LORD as such grave realities that his preaching was often accompanied by tears.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 15th May 2024

Morning

Psalms- 44

Old Testament- Numbers 10: 11 – 28

New Testament- Acts 21: 1 – 16

Evening

Psalms- 42 and 43

Old Testament- Numbers 10: 29 – 36

New Testament- Acts 21: 17 – 26

Quiz for 15th May 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 42; 43 and 44

1) Plea for judgement...Psalm number...?

Numbers 10: 11 – 36

2) Who was the Gentile invited to join Israelites...?

Acts 21: 1 – 26

3) Gifts of the HOLY SPIRIT...reference...?

Verses for 15th May 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 42; 43 and 44

Psalms 42: 1 – 5

The psalmist looked to the LORD as his chief good, and set his heart upon HIM accordingly; casting anchor thus at first, he rides out the storm. A gracious soul can take little satisfaction in GOD's courts, if it do not meet with GOD HIMSELF there. Living souls never can take up their rest anywhere short of a LIVING GOD. To appear before the LORD is the desire of the upright, as it is the dread of the hypocrite. Nothing is more grievous to a gracious soul, than what is intended to shake its confidence in the LORD. It was not the remembrance of the pleasures of his court

that afflicted David; but the remembrance of the free access he formerly had to GOD's house, and his pleasure in attending there. Those that commune much with their own hearts, will often have to chide them.

When the soul rests on itself, it sinks; if it catches hold on the power and promise of GOD, the head is kept above the billows. And what is our support under present woes but this, that we shall have comfort in HIM. We have great cause to mourn for sin; but being cast down springs from unbelief and a rebellious will; we should therefore strive and pray against it.

OLD TESTAMENT



Numbers 10: 11 – 36

Numbers 10: 29

Come thou with us...

Moses invited his brother in law a non-Israelite, to come with them and share the good things GOD had promised to Israel. The door was always open for Gentiles to join Israel, to make GOD of Israel their GOD, and to share in GOD's promises and blessings. Hobab appeared to have rejected the invitation, later on Rahab, Ruth and many other Gentiles found acceptance and blessing with the LORD and His people.

NEW TESTAMENT



Acts 21: 1 – 26

Acts 21: 13

Then Paul answered...

The will of the majority or even the unanimous wish of genuine caring believers is not necessarily the will of GOD. Paul was not indifferent to the pleas and tears of His friends, still he could not change his resolute purpose to be wing to suffer imprisonment and even to die for the name of the LORD JESUS.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 16th May 2024

Morning

Psalms- 45

Old Testament- Numbers 11: 1 – 10

New Testament- Acts 21: 27 – 31

Evening

Psalms- 46

Old Testament- Numbers 11: 11 – 20

New Testament- Acts 21: 32 – 40

Quiz for 16th May 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 45 and 46

- 1) Old Testament Prophecy and New Testament fulfilment...?

Numbers 11: 1 – 20

- 2) Who influenced Israel to grumble against GOD...reference...?

Acts 21: 27 – 40

- 3) Where was Paul beaten and arrested...?

Verses for 16th May 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 45 and 46

Psalms 46: 1 – 2

Our refuge and strength...

Although we all experience spiritual barrenness at times, this is not the normal, for GOD desires to be near His people with help and comfort. This psalm expresses trust and confidence in GOD during a time of instability and insecurity. The power and ability to face the uncertainties and adversities of life are found in GOD. Refuge pictures a shelter from danger, indicating God is our true security in the storms of life. Strength refers to HIS might when battling our foes.

OLD TESTAMENT



Numbers 11: 1 – 20

Numbers 11: 4

The Mixt multitude.....fell a lusting...

These were the non- Israelites who joined the people in the exodus, they influenced Israel to rebel against GOD and desire the presumed pleasures of Egypt.

NEW TESTAMENT

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Acts 21: 27 – 40

In the temple, where Paul should have been protected as in a place of safety, he was violently set upon. They falsely charged him with ill doctrine and ill practice against the Mosaic ceremonies. It is no new thing for those who mean honestly and act regularly, to have things laid to their charge which they know not and never thought of. It is common for the wise and good to have that charged against them by malicious people, with which they thought to have obliged them. GOD often makes those a protection to his people, who have no affection to them, but only have compassion for sufferers, and regard to the public peace. And here see what false, mistaken notions of good people and good ministers, many run away with. But GOD seasonably interposes for the safety of his servants, from wicked and unreasonable men; and gives them opportunities to speak for themselves, to plead for the Redeemer, and to spread abroad HIS glorious gospel.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 17th May 2024

Morning

Psalms- 47 and 48

Old Testament- Numbers 11: 21 – 35

New Testament- Acts 22: 1 – 6

Evening

Psalms- 49

Old Testament- Numbers 12: 1 – 16

New Testament- Acts 22: 7 – 16

Quiz for 17th May 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 47; 48 and 49

1) Overcome the world and Worldliness...reference...?

Numbers 11: 21 – 12: 16

2) Gifts of the HOLY SPIRIT...reference...?

Acts 22: 1 – 16

3) How many times is Paul's Damascus experience mentioned in the Bible...?

Verses for 17th May 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 47; 48 and 49

Psalms 48: 14

GOD...will be our guide even unto death...

The LORD has committed HIMSELF to be the believers' faithful and constant guide throughout life, in the experience of death and beyond death to the eternal home where we will be with HIM forever.

OLD TESTAMENT



Numbers 11: 21 – 12: 16

Numbers 11: 25

When the Spirit rested upon them, they prophesied...

Scripture teaches that prophecy often accompanies the falling of GOD's SPIRIT upon His people. The account in Acts about the outpouring of the HOLY SPIRIT on the day of Pentecost and afterward indicates that SPIRIT-filled believers prophesied and spoke in other tongues by the impulse of the SPIRIT.

NEW TESTAMENT



Acts 22: 1 – 16

Acts 22: 16

Wash away the sins...

Paul converted and saved on the Damascus road. His baptism was his public testimony of forgiveness, dying to sin and his old self, and public identification with CHRIST as a commitment for life. Baptism represents for each believer a washing away and burial of one's past sinful life.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 18th May 2024

Morning

Psalms- 50

Old Testament- Numbers 13: 1 – 16

New Testament- Acts 22: 17 – 30

Evening

Psalms- 51

Old Testament- Numbers 13: 17 – 24

New Testament- Acts 23: 1 – 11

Verses for 18th May 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 50 and 51

Psalms 50: 15

Call upon me in the day of trouble...

The LORD invites all faithful believers to call continually upon HIM in times of need and trouble. GOD desires to hear our prayers, to help us and to have HIS name exalted as a GOD who rescues His people.

OLD TESTAMENT



Numbers 13: 1 – 24

A memorable and melancholy history is related in this and the following chapter, of the turning back of Israel from the borders of Canaan, and sentencing them to wander and perish in the wilderness, for their unbelief and murmuring.

It appears, Deuteronomy 1:22, that the motion to search out the land came from the people. They had a better opinion of their own policy than of GOD's wisdom.

Thus we ruin ourselves by believing the reports and representations of sense rather than Divine revelation. We walk by sight not by faith.

Moses gave the spies this charge, be of good courage. It was not only a great undertaking they were put upon, which required good management and resolution; but a great trust was reposed in them, which required that they should be faithful. Courage in such circumstances can only spring from strong faith, which Caleb and Joshua alone possessed.

NEW TESTAMENT

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Acts 22: 17 – 23: 11

Acts 23: 11

The LORD stood by him.

Paul is anxious and apprehensive about what will happen to him. It appears that he might be killed in Jerusalem and that his plans to carry the gospel to Rome and further west might never be realised. The LORD JESUS HIMSELF appeared to Paul in the night encouraging his heart and assuring him that he would witness for GOD's cause in Rome. Scripture records that the LORD appeared to Paul three times in order to reassure him.

COME HOLY SPIRIT RENEW US

(PENTECOST)

Morning Scripture Reading:

Ezekiel 37: 1 – 14

Psalms 104: 24 – 35

Acts 2: 1 – 13

John 16: 1 – 11

Evening Scripture Reading:

Joel 2: 28 – 32

Titus 3: 5 – 8

Collect:

Gracious GOD, the giver of the HOLY SPIRIT and the source of our renewal, we thank YOU for revealing to our faith ancestors in the visible sign of the tongues of fire, audible sound of strong wind and the vision of the advent of the life giving SPIRIT on the day of Pentecost. We pray that YOU may continue to recreate us with the power of the HOLY SPIRIT to engage with YOU in prayer of Pentecost, to respond to YOUR call to constantly proclaim YOUR liberating WORD and to fearlessly witness to JESUS CHRIST in love and compassion, through JESUS CHRIST who lives and reigns with YOU and the HOLY SPIRIT, one GOD, world without end.

Amen.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 20th May 2024

Morning

Psalms- 55

Old Testament- Numbers 13: 25 – 33

New Testament- Acts 23: 12 – 19

Evening

Psalms- 56

Old Testament- Numbers 14: 1 – 10

New Testament- Acts 23: 20 – 24

Quiz for 20th May 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 55 and 56

1) A song for the distressed...Psalm number...?

Numbers 13: 25 – 14: 10

2) Who gave a positive report about the Promised Land...?

Acts 23: 12 – 24

3) Who revealed to Paul about the plot...?

Verses for 20th May 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 55 and 56

Psalms 55: 6

O that I had wing like a dove...then would I fly away...

When we are oppressed by evil people or spiritual enemies, or when the troubles of the world bring fear, anguish and overwhelming anxiety, we too often wish to find rest and relief by escaping from our present distress. However, in most cases escape from such situations is not possible.

The real solution is found only in seeking refuge in GOD evening, morning and noon and cast our burdens upon the LORD by looking to HIM to sustain us.

OLD TESTAMENT



Numbers 13: 25 – 14: 10

Numbers 13: 32

An evil report...

The unbelief of the ten spies had two dimensions.

1. GOD's past faithfulness to His people did not bring these ten men to a loyal relationship with HIM, and
2. They did not trust in GOD and HIS promises concerning their future, their lack of faith stood in marked contrast to that of Caleb and Joshua.

NEW TESTAMENT



Acts 23: 12 – 24

False religious principles, adopted by carnal men, urge on to such wickedness, as human nature would hardly be supposed capable of. Yet the LORD readily disappoints the best concerted schemes of iniquity.

Paul knew that the Divine providence acts by reasonable and prudent means; and that, if he neglected to use the means in his power, he could not expect GOD's providence to work on his behalf.

He who will not help himself according to his means and power, has neither reason nor revelation to assure him that he shall receive help from GOD.

Believing in the LORD, we and ours shall be kept from every evil work, and kept to HIS kingdom.

HEAVENLY FATHER, give us by THY HOLY SPIRIT, for CHRIST's sake, this precious faith.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 21st May 2024

Morning

Psalms- 57 and 58

Old Testament- Numbers 14: 11 – 19

New Testament- Acts 23: 25 – 35

Evening

Psalms- 59: 1 – 4 & 9 – 17

Old Testament- Numbers 14: 20 – 35

New Testament- Acts 24: 1 – 9

Quiz for 21st May 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 57; 58 and 59: 1 – 4 & 9 – 17

1) Triumph over enemies...Psalm number...?

Numbers 14: 11 – 35

2) Whom does GOD promise to enter the Promised Land and his seed shall possess it...reference...?

Acts 23: 25 – 24: 9

3) To whom and to where is Paul transferred to...?

Verses for 21st May 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 57; 58 and 59: 1 – 4 & 9 – 17

Psalms 58: 10

The righteous shall rejoice when he seeth the vengeance.

This verse expresses the joy and satisfaction that GOD's people experience when evil is defeated and overthrown. Likewise, New Testament believers must desire and pray for the ultimate removal of all evil and for the establishment of GOD's kingdom in the new heaven and earth.

OLD TESTAMENT



Numbers 14: 11 – 35

Numbers 14: 13

Then the Egyptians shall hear it.

Moses is a classic example of a person so dedicated to the LORD that he is more concerned about GOD's reputation than his own success and honour.

When believers gratefully comprehend all that GOD has done for them through CHRIST, they too will desire above all to exalt the LORD and HIS glory and to keep HIS name from falling into reproach among unbelievers.

NEW TESTAMENT



Acts 23: 25 – 24: 9

Acts 23: 25 – 35

GOD has instruments for every work.

The natural abilities and moral virtues of the heathens often have been employed to protect his persecuted servants. Even the men of the world can discern between the conscientious conduct of upright believers, and the zeal of false professors, though they disregard or understand not their doctrinal principles.

All hearts are in GOD's hand, and those are blessed who put their trust in HIM, and commit their ways unto HIM.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 22nd May 2024

Morning

Psalms- 60 and 61

Old Testament- Numbers 14: 36 – 45

New Testament- Acts 24: 10 – 21

Evening

Psalms- 119: 161 – 176

Old Testament- Numbers 15: 1 – 16

New Testament- Acts 24: 22 – 27

Quiz for 22nd May 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 60; 61 and 119: 161 – 176

- 1) A prayer for understanding...Reference...?

Numbers 14: 36 – 15: 16

- 2) What happened to the Israelites who disobeyed the LORD's command...?

Acts 24: 10 – 27

- 3) "The way" explain briefly...?

Verses for 22nd May 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 60; 61 and 119: 161 – 176

Psalms 60: 1 – 12

O GOD, THOU hast cast us off...THOU hast been displeased...

David confesses that GOD's people suffered a defeat in battle because GOD withdrew HIS divine help and protection when they ceased to please HIM and do HIS will. The remedy for Israel in this tragic situation is to seek GOD earnestly in prayer and renew their fear of HIM.

In the same manner, we who belong to the new covenant may experience spiritual defeat in our churches, families and personal lives because GOD's SPIRIT has been offended by our sin, our conformity to surrounding society, our pride or our forsaking the Biblical principles of truth and righteousness.

OLD TESTAMENT



Numbers 14: 36 – 15: 16

Numbers 14: 43

The LORD will not be with you...

Despite their shallow repentance and momentary expression of trust in the promises of GOD, the Israelites ignored GOD's warning. They made the fatal mistake of believing they could possess the Promised Land without faith, trust, obedience and devoted fellowship with GOD.

NEW TESTAMENT



Acts 24: 10 – 27

Acts 24: 14

The way...

Believers followed JESUS as the way. The New Testament Believers saw salvation in CHRIST not only as an experience to receive but also as a road to walk in faith and fellowship with JESUS.

We must walk that road to the end in order to enter the final salvation of the age to come.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 23rd May 2024

Morning

Psalms- 62 and 63

Old Testament- Numbers 15: 17 – 31

New Testament- Acts 25: 1 – 12

Evening

Psalms- 64 and 65

Old Testament- Numbers 15: 32 – 41

New Testament- Acts 25: 13 – 22

Quiz for 23rd May 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 62 to 65

1) The thirsty soul...Psalm number...?

Numbers 15: 17 – 41

2) Law was not the same for Israelites and strangers born in the land. (True or False)...?

Acts 25: 1 – 22

3) To whom did Paul appeal to for judgement...?

Verses for 23rd May 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 62 to 65

Psalms 63: 1 – 11

Early will I seek thee...

Every believer should pray as David did in this psalm. It describes a man's deep longing in his heart for GOD one that can only be satisfied by an intimate relationship with HIM.

OLD TESTAMENT



Numbers 15: 17 – 41

Numbers 15: 31

Despised the Word of the LORD...

GOD distinguished between unintentional sins and intentional sins. Deliberate and defiant sin separated a person from the people of GOD and the redemption provided for them.

NEW TESTAMENT



Acts 25: 1 – 22

Acts 25: 8

Neither against the law...

Paul knows of no offence that he has committed against the Jews or the Law of Moses. Paul indeed kept the moral law of the Old Testament. To him, the law is holy, good and spiritual, yet Paul did not keep the law as a set of codes or standards, by which to make him righteous expressing GOD's character and requirement for a righteous life. A righteous life requires the work of the HOLY SPIRIT, only after we are regenerated through the grace of CHRIST can we successfully obey GOD's ethical and moral law and JESUS application of it internally to thoughts and attitudes.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 24th May 2024

Morning

Psalms- 66

Old Testament- Numbers 16: 1 – 15

New Testament- Acts 25: 23 – 27

Evening

Psalms- 67

Old Testament- Numbers 16: 16 – 27

New Testament- Acts 26: 1 – 11

Quiz for 24th May 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 66 and 67

1) Witnessing psalm...Psalm number...?

Numbers 16: 1 – 27

2) Who rebelled against Moses...?

Acts 25: 23 – 26: 11

3) Name of the king who tried Paul...?

Verses for 24th May 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 66 and 67

Psalms 66: 5

Come and see the works of GOD.

A community of believers must have the works of the HOLY SPIRIT so manifested in their midst that they can glorify GOD and say to others, Come and see the works of GOD. Nothing short of the full demonstration of GOD's power among HIS people will convince the lost of the truth of the gospel of Christ. We must also witness to others

on a personal level, giving testimony to GOD's saving grace and goodness in our lives.

OLD TESTAMENT



Numbers 16: 1 – 27

Numbers 16: 10

Seek ye the priesthood also?

Koran and his cohorts thought they could choose for themselves who would lead the people. But GOD made it plain that HE was in charge.

Under the new covenant GOD still decides the type of people who are to serve as overseers of HIS church. HE has set certain holy standards for those who desire to serve.

When church members set aside GOD's standards for overseers and seek to choose leadership while disregarding HIS Word, they are reflecting the rebellious attitude of Korah and the others who stood with him. Leadership must be based on GOD's revealed will for HIS church.

NEW TESTAMENT

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Acts 25: 23 – 26: 11

Acts 26: 1 – 11

Christianity teaches us to give a reason of the hope that is in us, and also to give honour to whom honour is due, without flattery or fear of man. Agrippa was well versed in the Scriptures of the Old Testament, therefore could the better judge as to the controversy about JESUS being the MESSIAH. Surely ministers may expect, when they preach the faith of CHRIST, to be heard patiently.

Paul professes that he still kept to all the good in which he was first educated and trained up. Paul's religion was. He was a moralist, a man of virtue, and had not

learned the arts of the crafty, covetous Pharisees; he was not chargeable with any open vice and profaneness. He was sound in the faith. He always had a holy regard for the ancient promise made of GOD unto the fathers, and built his hope upon it. The apostle knew very well that all this would not justify him before GOD, yet he knew it was for his reputation among the Jews, and an argument that he was not such a man as they represented him to be. Though he counted this but loss, that he might win CHRIST, yet he mentioned it when it might serve to honour CHRIST.

Paul's religion is; he has not such zeal for the ceremonial law as he had in his youth; the sacrifices and offerings appointed by that, are done away by the great Sacrifice which they typified. Of the ceremonial cleansings he makes no conscience, and thinks the Levitical priesthood is done away in the priesthood of CHRIST; but, as to the main principles of his religion, he is as zealous as ever.

CHRIST and heaven, are the two great doctrines of the gospel; that GOD has given to us eternal life, and this life is in HIS SON. These are the matter of the promise made unto the fathers. The temple service, or continual course of religious duties, day and night, was kept up as the profession of faith in the promise of eternal life, and in expectation of it. The prospect of eternal life should engage us to be diligent and steadfast in all religious exercises.

Yet the Sadducees hated Paul for preaching the resurrection; and the other Jews joined them, because he testified that JESUS was risen, and was the promised REDEEMER of Israel. Many things are thought to be beyond belief, only because the infinite nature and perfections of HIM that has revealed, performed, or promised them, are overlooked.

Paul acknowledged, that while he continued a Pharisee, he was a bitter enemy to Christianity. This was his character and manner of life in the beginning of his time; and there was everything to hinder his being a Christian.

Those who have been most strict in their conduct before conversion, will afterwards see abundant reason for humbling themselves, even on account of things which they then thought ought to have been done.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 25th May 2024

Morning

Psalms- 68: 1 – 20 & 24 – 35

Old Testament- Numbers 16: 28 – 40

New Testament- Acts 26: 12 – 18

Evening

Psalms- 69: 1 – 21 & 39 – 36

Old Testament- Numbers 16: 41 – 50

New Testament- Acts 26: 19 – 32

Verses for 25th May 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 68: 1 – 20 & 24 – 35 and 69: 1 – 21 & 39 – 36

Psalms 69: 9

The zeal of thine house hath eaten up.

The psalmist bears rejection, shame and alienation because of his righteous zeal for GOD's house and kingdom. He has spoken against sin and has pleaded for revival, cleansing and reformation among GOD's people, for this he has suffered at the hands of those who were comfortable with the spiritual status quo.

OLD TESTAMENT



Numbers 16: 28 – 50

Numbers 16: 41 – 50

Ye have killed the people of the LORD.

When GOD's judgment fell on Korah and his allies, the Israelites complained against Moses as if he had brought the judgment. The people had been so deceived that

they thought the rebels were the most spiritual men among them. GOD's people need discernment to make sure that they do not follow leaders who are not from GOD.

NEW TESTAMENT

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Acts 26: 12 – 32

Acts 26: 20

Do the works meet for repentance...

Paul did not preach, as some do, that salvation required only trusting in CHRIST and HIS atoning death. The New Testament apostles declare that no individuals will be saved in CHRIST unless they repent and turn to GOD, and do the works which meet for repentance.

CSI Almanac – 26th May 2024, Sunday

1st Sunday after Pentecost

WE WORSHIP THE TRIUNE GOD

(Trinity Sunday)

Morning Scripture Reading:

Genesis 1: 1 – 28

Psalms 2

2 Corinthians 13: 11 – 14

John 1: 1 – 18

Evening Scripture Reading:

Genesis 18: 1 – 15 /

1 John 1: 1 – 10

Collect:

O blessed TRINITY, in whom we know the Maker of all things, seen and unseen, the SAVIOUR of all both near and far: by YOUR SPIRIT enable us to worship and sing to YOUR divine Majesty, that with all the company of heaven, we may magnify YOUR glorious name singing: Holy, holy, holy, LORD GOD of hosts, heaven and earth are full of YOUR glory. Glory be to YOU, O LORD Most High; through JESUS CHRIST our LORD, who lives and reigns with YOU and the HOLY SPIRIT, one GOD, now an ever.

Amen.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 27th May 2024

Morning

Psalms- 72

Old Testament- Numbers 17: 1 – 13

New Testament- Acts 27: 1 – 8

Evening

Psalms- 73

Old Testament- Numbers 18: 1 – 7

New Testament- Acts 27: 9 – 20

Quiz for 27th May 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 72 and 73

1) A prayer for the king...Psalm number...?

Numbers 17: 1 – 18: 7

2) What were the priests and Levites responsibility...reference...?

Acts 27: 1 – 20

3) What was Paul's advice to the centurion...?

Verses for 27th May 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 72 and 73

Psalms 73: 23 – 28

Nevertheless I am continually with thee.

The psalmist discovers the attitude that leads to the triumph of faith. In this life with all of its problems, our greatest good is intimate communion with GOD. Let the wicked prosper, our hope, treasure and life is GOD HIMSELF always with us, guiding us by HIS Word and SPIRIT, upholding us by His power, and afterward receiving us

into the glories of heaven. Like the apostle Paul, our motto as we face life's anxieties should be, For to me to live is CHRIST, and to die is gain.

OLD TESTAMENT



Numbers 17: 1 – 18: 7

Numbers 18: 1
Bear the iniquity.

The priests and Levites were held responsible for any offenses or desecration against the tabernacle of the LORD. They had to take great care to serve GOD and do what the LORD required.

NEW TESTAMENT

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Acts 27: 1 – 20

Acts 27: 7 – 12

Acts 27: 7 – 9

The ship could not sail directly to Italy.

The strong west wind was against it. So, it travelled very slowly along the coast and it was difficult to sail. At last, they reached a harbour and they stayed there. They waited for the wind to change. But it was now late in the year. People did not sail during the winter because it was too dangerous. Luke records that 'it was now after the time called Yom Kippur' (verse 9). Yom Kippur was a special day when *Jews asked GOD to forgive their *sins. Paul was travelling in *AD 59. In *AD 59, Yom Kippur was on 5th October, so there was not much time left to sail.

Acts 27: 10 – 12

The men on the ship had to make a quick decision.

They had to decide whether to sail or not. Fair Havens was a bad place to stay during the winter. Winds blew into the harbour from the east and north-east. That made it difficult and dangerous for the ships there. Also, it was not near a big town.

But Paul had travelled often by sea and he had a lot of experience. He advised the men to stay at Fair Havens. He said that it was too dangerous to sail.

Captain Julius did not follow Paul's advice. Julius agreed with the ship's captain and with the owner. Probably, the owner wanted to deliver the grain on time. So, they decided to continue their voyage. They wanted to sail to Phoenix, which was a safer harbour. There was more shelter there from the bad weather.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 28th May 2024

Morning

Psalms- 74

Old Testament- Numbers 18: 8 – 19

New Testament- Acts 27: 21 – 26

Evening

Psalms- 75

Old Testament- Numbers 18: 20 – 32

New Testament- Acts 27: 27 – 36

Quiz for 28th May 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 74 and 75

1) A plea for relief...Psalm number...?

Numbers 18: 8 – 32

2) Explain covenant of salt...?

Acts 27: 21 – 36

3) Faith that moves mountains...reference...?

Verses for 28th May 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 74 and 75

Psalms 74: 18 – 23

The psalmist begs that GOD would appear for the church against their enemies.

The folly of such as revile His gospel and His servants will be plain to all. Let us call upon our GOD to enlighten the dark nations of the earth; and to rescue His people, that the poor and needy may praise HIS name. Blessed SAVIOUR, THOU art the same yesterday, to-day, and for ever. Make thy people more than conquerors. Be THOU,

LORD, all in all to them in every situation and circumstances; for then Thy poor and needy people will praise THY name.

OLD TESTAMENT



Numbers 18: 8 – 32

Numbers 18: 20

I am ... THINE inheritance.

The priests and Levites were to have no earthly inheritance, for GOD HIMSELF was their portion and inheritance. In principle, this promise extends to all believers in CHRIST. Our inheritance is not on this earth, for we are but strangers and pilgrims. We must seek heavenly things, for GOD dwells in heaven. Our witness is this - The LORD is my portion, saith my soul, therefore will hope in HIM.

NEW TESTAMENT



Acts 27: 21 – 36

Acts 27: 24

Fear not, Paul...

An angelic visitor came to Paul in the night and reassured him that he would arrive at Rome to stand trial. This gave Paul great confidence in the midst of great danger at sea. Every faithful son or daughter of GOD may pray. "O LORD, I am THINE, I serve THEE, be my PROTECTOR."

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 29th May 2024

Morning

Psalms- 76

Old Testament- Numbers 19: 1 – 10

New Testament- Acts 27: 37 – 44

Evening

Psalms- 77

Old Testament- Numbers 19: 11 – 22

New Testament- Acts 28: 1 – 10

Quiz for 29th May 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 76 and 77

1) The victorious power of GOD...Psalm number...?

Numbers 19: 1 – 22

2) What was the purpose of red heifer...sacrifice...?

Acts 27: 37 – 28: 10

3) Who was healed by Paul's prayers...reference...?

Verses for 29th May 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 76 and 77

Psalms 76: 10

The wrath of man shall praise THEE.

GOD's wrath expressed in judgment against oppressors of His people brings HIM praise from those who have been delivered. The wrath of the wicked can provide the occasion for GOD to rescue His own and to accomplish great things on their behalf example Pharaoh's wrath against Israel became GOD's opportunity to demonstrate HIS miraculous power in delivering them from Egypt.

OLD TESTAMENT



Numbers 19: 1 – 22

Numbers 19: 2

Red heifer...

The sacrifice of the red heifer provided for the cleansing of anyone who was ritually unclean or defiled and therefore unable to draw near to GOD in worship. A red heifer without defect was killed and burnt outside the camp. The ashes were kept, mixed with water and applied to those who were defiled. This purification rite cleansed that person, allowing him or her to approach GOD once again.

The book of Hebrews contrasts the cleansing effect of CHRIST's blood to that of the ashes of the red heifer.

NEW TESTAMENT



Acts 27: 37 – 28: 10

Acts 27: 30 – 38

GOD, who appointed the end, that they should be saved.

Appointed the means that they should be saved by the help of these shipmen. Duty is ours, events are GOD's; we do not trust GOD, but tempt HIM, when we say we put ourselves under HIS protection, if we do not use proper means, such as are within our power, for our safety. But how selfish are men in general, often even ready to seek their own safety by the destruction of others!

Happy those who have such a one as Paul in their company, who not only had intercourse with Heaven, but was of an enlivening spirit to those about HIM. The sorrow of the world works death, while joy in GOD is life and peace in the greatest distresses and dangers. The comfort of GOD's promises can only be ours by believing dependence on HIM, to fulfil HIS Word to us; and the salvation HE reveals must be waited for in use of the means HE appoints. If GOD has chosen us to salvation, HE has also appointed that we shall obtain it by repentance, faith, prayer, and persevering obedience; it is fatal presumption to expect it in any other way. It is an

encouragement to people to commit themselves to CHRIST as their SAVIOUR, when those who invite them, clearly show that they do so themselves.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 30th May 2024

Morning

Psalms- 78: 1 – 16

Old Testament- Numbers 20: 1 – 13

New Testament- Acts 28: 11 – 22

Evening

Psalms- 78: 17 – 39

Old Testament- Numbers 20: 14 – 21

New Testament- Acts 28: 23 – 31

Quiz for 30th May 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 78: 1 – 39

- 1) Walking in obedience and righteousness...reference...?

Numbers 20: 1 – 21

- 2) Why was Moses and Aaron forbidden to lead GOD's people into Canaan...?

Acts 28: 11 – 31

- 3) How many years did Paul stay in Rome...reference...?

Verses for 30th May 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 78: 1 – 39

Psalms 78: 5

They should make them known to their children...

Teaching our children the godly principles and precepts of GOD's Word is not optional, it is a commandment. GOD has given to His people what HE commands and gives us grace to teach and fulfil those commandments.

OLD TESTAMENT



Numbers 20: 1 – 21

Numbers 20: 12

Ye shall not bring this congregation into the land.

Moses was forbidden to lead GOD's people into Canaan because he had not carefully followed the LORD's command. Moses was the spiritual leader of GOD's people, the one through whom GOD gave the law. His responsibility was to obey the Word of the law. His responsibility to obey the Word of the LORD was greater because of his greater position and influence. Moses sin was twofold first, he spoke rashly by smiting the rock twice in anger rather than speaking to it as GOD had instructed.

NEW TESTAMENT



Acts 28: 11 – 31

Acts 28: 16

We came to Rome.

It had been Paul's desire to preach the gospel in Rome and also it was the will of GOD that he do so. Yet Paul arrived in Rome in chains and only after setbacks, storms, shipwreck, and many trials. Though Paul remained faithful, GOD did not make his way easy and trouble free.

Likewise, we may be in GOD's will and entirely faithful to HIM, nevertheless, HE may direct us in unpleasant paths involving troubles .Yet we can know that all things work together for good to them that love GOD.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 31st May 2024

Morning

Psalms- 78: 40 – 55

Old Testament- Numbers 20: 22 – 29

New Testament- 1 Peter 1: 1 – 6

Evening

Psalms- 78: 56 – 72

Old Testament- Numbers 21: 1 – 9

New Testament- 1 Peter 1: 7 – 12

Quiz for 31st May 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 78: 40 – 72

1) How did the Israelites provoke GOD to anger...Reference...?

Numbers 20: 22 – 21: 9

2) Who succeeded Aaron...reference...?

1 Peter 1: 1 – 12

3) Briefly explain verse 7...?

Verses for 31st May 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 78: 40 – 72

Psalms 78: 56 – 72

After the Israelites were settled in Canaan, the children were like their fathers.

GOD gave them HIS testimonies, but they turned back. Presumptuous sins render even Israelites hateful to GOD's holiness, and exposed to HIS justice. Those whom the LORD forsakes become an easy prey to the destroyer. And sooner or later, GOD will disgrace his enemies. HE set a good government over His people; a monarch after HIS own heart. With good reason does the psalmist make this finishing,

crowning instance of GOD's favour to Israel; for David was a type of CHRIST, the great and good Shepherd, who was humbled first, and then exalted; and of whom it was foretold, that he should be filled with the Spirit of wisdom and understanding. On the uprightness of his heart, and the skilfulness of his hands, all his subjects may rely; and of the increase of his government and peace there shall be no end. Every trial of human nature hitherto, confirms the testimony of Scripture, that the heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked, and nothing but being created a new by the HOLY GHOST can cure the ungodliness of any.

OLD TESTAMENT



Numbers 20: 22 – 21: 9

Numbers 21: 9
Serpent of brass.

The life giving power of the brass serpent anticipates the sacrificial death of JESUS CHRIST, who was lifted up on the cross in order to bring to all who look to HIM. About this event JESUS HIMSELF said. As Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the SON OF MAN must be lifted up, that whosoever believeth in HIM should not perish, but have everlasting life.

NEW TESTAMENT



1 Peter 1: 1 – 12

1 Peter 1: 2
The foreknowledge of GOD.

We are elected to be GOD's people according to GOD's own comprehensive knowledge of HIS plan of redemption in CHRIST for the Church, even before creation, history had begun.

June 2024

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 1st June 2024

Morning

Psalms- 79: 1 – 5, & 8 – 13

Old Testament- Numbers 21: 10 – 20

New Testament- 1 Peter 1: 13 – 21

Evening

Psalms- 80

Old Testament- Numbers 21: 21 – 26

New Testament- 1 Peter 1: 22 – 25

Verses for 1st June 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 79: 1 – 5, & 8 – 13 and Psalms 80

Psalms 79

Those who persist in ignorance of GOD, and neglect of prayer, are the ungodly. How unrighteous- ever men were, the LORD was righteous in permitting them to do what they did.

Deliverances from trouble are mercies indeed, when grounded upon the pardon of sin; we should therefore be more earnest in prayer for the removal of our sins than for the removal of afflictions. They had no hopes but from GOD's mercies, HIS tender mercies. They plead no merit, they pretend to none, but, Help us for the glory of THY name; pardon us for THY name's sake.

The Christian forgets not that he is often bound in the chain of his sins. The world to him is a prison; sentence of death is passed upon him, and he knows not how soon it may be executed. How fervently should he at all times pray, O let the sighing of a prisoner come before thee, according to the greatness of THY power preserve thou those that are appointed to die! How glorious will the day be, when, triumphant over sin and sorrow, the church beholds the adversary disarmed for ever! While that church shall, from age to age, sing the praises of her great SHEPHERD and BISHOP, her KING and her GOD.

OLD TESTAMENT



Numbers 21: 10 – 26

Numbers 21: 23

And Sihon would not suffer Israel to pass through his border, because he could not trust them, and confide in the promises they made, and thought it not safe to let such a body of people into any part of his dominions as in Judges 11:20 and another reason being because his heart was hardened by the LORD, that he might be delivered into the hands of Israel, as was determined in Deuteronomy 2:30

NEW TESTAMENT



1 Peter 1: 13 – 25

1 Peter 1: 16

Be ye Holy...

GOD is holy, and what is true of GOD must be true of His people. Holiness carries the thought of being separated from the ungodly ways of the world and set apart for love, for service and for worship of GOD.

Holiness is the goal and purpose of our election in CHRIST, it means trying have the characteristics of GOD, being dedicated to HIM and living to please HIM.

WISDOM FROM ABOVE

(Students Sunday)

Morning Scripture Reading:

1 Kings 3: 16 – 28

Psalms 119: 33 – 40

James 1: 1 – 8

Luke 10: 21 – 24

Evening Scripture Reading:

Proverbs 23: 13 – 26 /

Philippians 4: 4 – 9

Collect:

O GOD, YOU are the source, the guide and the goal of all-human knowing and search for wisdom. We praise YOU for the mind YOU have given to us and the whole enterprise of discovering and reflection, which every generation inherits from the past. Enable us to seek the wisdom that is from above so that we may lead a victorious life in this world by overcoming the evils and trials of this world. We believe that YOU are the true wisdom and knowing YOU and the faith in YOU, is the ultimate goal of wisdom. We beseech YOU to help us to ask and desire for the wisdom that is from above so that we may discern what is truth, lead a victorious life so that we might be transformed to know YOU in a better way. We ask this, through YOUR SON, OUR LORD and SAVIOUR JESUS CHRIST who reigns with YOU and the HOLY SPIRIT, one GOD, now an ever.

Amen.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 3rd June 2024

Morning

Psalms- 83 and 84

Old Testament- Numbers 21: 27 – 35

New Testament- 1 Peter 2: 1 – 5

Evening

Psalms- 85

Old Testament- Numbers 22: 1 – 12

New Testament- 1 Peter 2: 6 – 10

Quiz for 3rd June 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 83; 84 and 85

1) Prayer for mercy to Israel...Psalm number...?

Numbers 21: 27 – 22: 12

2) Whom did Balak approach to defeat Israelites...reference...?

1 Peter 2: 1 – 10

3) Praise...reference...?

Verses for 3rd June 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 83; 84 and 85

Psalms 84: 4

Blessed are they that dwell in THY house.

Those who go to the house of the LORD seeking HIS presence will receive HIS blessing. This blessing includes the nearness of GOD, renewed spiritual strength, answered prayer and grace, glory and goodness.

OLD TESTAMENT



Numbers 21: 27 – 22: 12

Numbers 22: 5

Balaam...

Balaam was not an Israelite but an internationally known priest diviner. Balak believed that this man could place curses upon others by influencing the will of the gods and spirits through his secret knowledge of sorcery, incantations and mysterious manipulations.

NEW TESTAMENT

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1 Peter 2: 1 – 10

1 Peter 2: 2

Desire the sincere milk of the Word.

New believers should long for the pure nourishment of GOD's Word. A sure sign of spiritual health is a deep desire to feed on the living and abiding Word of GOD, with spiritual thirst and hunger for HIS Word.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 4th June 2024

Morning

Psalms- 86

Old Testament- Numbers 22: 13 – 27

New Testament- 1 Peter 2: 11 – 17

Evening

Psalms- 87 and 88

Old Testament- Numbers 22: 28 – 41

New Testament- 1 Peter 2: 18 – 25

Quiz for 4th June 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 86; 87 and 88

1) Prayer for deliverance...Psalm number...?

Numbers 22: 13 – 41

2) Why was GOD angry with Balaam...?

1 Peter 2: 11 – 25

3) Healing...reference...?

Verses for 4th June 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 86; 87 and 88

Psalms 87: 1 – 3

CHRIST HIMSELF is the Foundation of the church, which GOD has laid.

Holiness is the strength and firmness of the church. Let us not be ashamed of the church of CHRIST in its meanest condition, nor of those that belong to it, since such glorious things are spoken of it.

Other foundation can no man lay than that is laid. The only foundation laid is JESUS CHRIST.

The glorious things spoken of Zion by the Spirit, were all typical of CHRIST, and his work and offices; of the gospel church, its privileges and members; of heaven, its glory and perfect happiness.

OLD TESTAMENT



Numbers 22: 13 – 41

Numbers 22: 22

GOD's anger was kindled...

GOD permitted Balaam to go but was angry with him because Balaam was still considering Balak's offer. Balaam's spiritual blindness was revealed through the incident of the donkey.

NEW TESTAMENT

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1 Peter 2: 11 – 25

1 Peter 2: 21

CHRIST also suffered...follow HIS steps.

The highest glory and privilege of any believer is to suffer for CHRIST and the gospel. Suffering for CHRIST is called suffering according to the will of GOD. Spiritual maturity is experienced.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 5th June 2024

Morning

Psalms- 89: 1 – 18

Old Testament- Numbers 23: 1 – 10

New Testament- 1 Peter 3: 1 – 7

Evening

Psalms- 89: 19 – 52

Old Testament- Numbers 23: 11 – 16

New Testament- 1 Peter 3: 8 – 12

Quiz for 5th June 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 89

- 1) Title of the psalm...?

Numbers 23: 1 – 16

- 2) What was Balaam's reply to Balak's request to curse the Israelites...reference...?

1 Peter 3: 1 – 12

- 3) Explain briefly verse 7...?

Verses for 5th June 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 89

Psalms 89: 29 – 37

I have exalted one chosen out of the people.

The psalmist reminds GOD of His election of David's line to rule over Israel and of His promise that David's dynasty would endure forever in spite of the unfaithfulness of Israel.

OLD TESTAMENT



Numbers 23: 1 – 16

Numbers 23: 1 – 10

With the camps of Israel full in view, Balaam ordered seven altars to be built, and a bullock and a ram to be offered on each. Oh the sottishness of superstition, to imagine that GOD will be at man's back! The curse is turned into a blessing, by the overruling power of GOD, in love to Israel. GOD designed to serve His own glory by Balaam, and therefore met him. If GOD put a word into the mouth of Balaam, who would have defied GOD and Israel, surely He will not be wanting to those who desire to glorify GOD, and to edify His people; it shall be given what they should speak. HE who opened the mouth of the ass, caused the mouth of this wicked man to speak words as contrary to the desire of his heart, as those of the ass were to the powers of the brute. The miracle was as great in the one case as in the other. Balaam pronounces Israel safe. He owns he could do no more than GOD suffered him to do. He pronounces them happy in their distinction from the rest of the nations. Happy in their numbers, which made them both honourable and formidable. Happy in their last end.

Death is the end of all men; even the righteous must die, and it is good for us to think of this with regard to ourselves, as Balaam does here, speaking of his own death. He pronounces the righteous truly blessed, not only while they live, but when they die; which makes their death even more desirable than life itself. But there are many who desire to die the death of the righteous, but do not endeavour to live the life of the righteous; gladly would they have an end like theirs, but not a way like theirs. They would be saints in heaven, but not saints on earth. This saying of Balaam's is only a wish, not a prayer; it is a vain wish, being only a wish for the end, without any care for the means. Many seek to quiet their consciences with the promise of future amendment, or take up with some false hope, while they neglect the only way of salvation, by which a sinner can be righteous before GOD.

NEW TESTAMENT

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1 Peter 3: 1 – 12

1 Peter 3: 10

Love life and see good days.

Peter quotes Psalm 34: 12 to 16 to emphasize that those who turn away from evil in both word and deed and pursue peace will experience lives full of GOD's blessing and favour. GOD's close presence with His help and grace is GOD's answer to their prayers.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 6th June 2024

Morning

Psalms- 90

Old Testament- Numbers 23: 17 – 30

New Testament- 1 Peter 3: 13 – 18

Evening

Psalms- 91

Old Testament- Numbers 24: 1 – 9

New Testament- 1 Peter 3: 19 – 22

Quiz for 6th June 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 90 and 91

1) Victory over satan and demons...Psalm number...?

Numbers 23: 17 – 24: 9

2) Unicorn reference and meaning...?

1 Peter 3: 13 – 22

3) Witnessing...reference...?

Verses for 6th June 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 90 and 91

Psalms 91: 1 – 16

Under the shadow of the ALMIGHTY.

This psalm expresses the security of those who trust fully in GOD it assures us that GOD will be our refuge and that we may seek HIS protection in times of Spiritual and physical danger.

OLD TESTAMENT



Numbers 23: 17 – 24: 9

Numbers 24: 2

SPIRIT of GOD came upon him...

The SPIRIT coming upon Balaam here is not synonymous with the filling with the Spirit recorded in Acts. The SPIRIT came upon him for the purpose of revelation, not for endorsement as a prophet. GOD does occasionally use individuals who are not in the right relationship with HIM to accomplish HIS purpose.

NEW TESTAMENT



1 Peter 3: 13 – 22

1 Peter 3: 21

Baptism doth saves us.

Water baptism saves us in the sense that it is an obedient expression of our repentance, our faith in CHRIST and our commitment to come out of the world. It is our confession and pledge that we belong to CHRIST and have died and risen with Him.

Note the comparison with the flood just as Noah's obedience to GOD's instructions regarding the flood was a testimony to his faith that preceded the flood, similarly going through the waters of baptism testifies our faith of salvation through CHRIST before we were baptized.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 7th June 2024

Morning

Psalms- 92 and 93

Old Testament- Numbers 24: 10 – 25

New Testament- 1 Peter 4: 1 – 6

Evening

Psalms- 94

Old Testament- Numbers 25: 1 – 10

New Testament- 1 Peter 4: 7 – 11

Quiz for 7th June 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 92; 93 and 94

1) Praise for GOD's goodness...Psalm number...?

Numbers 24: 10 – 25: 10

2) Old Testament Prophecy and New Testament fulfilment...?

1 Peter 4: 1 – 11

3) Gifts of the HOLY SPIRIT...reference...?

Verses for 7th June 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 92; 93 and 94

Psalms 92: 1

It is good thing to give thanks unto the LORD and to sing praises.

Praise and thanksgiving to GOD are basic elements in the believers' life. We must thank the Lord Morning and evening for salvation through HIS SON, JESUS, for HIS loving kindness and grace, and for His faithful guidance and care. We should express our gratitude for the Word of GOD and for His spiritual gifts. New Testament believers must give thanks in the name of the LORD JESUS CHRIST.

OLD TESTAMENT



Numbers 24: 10 – 25: 10

Numbers 24: 17

There shall come a star...

Many commentators see verse 15 – 19 as referring to the coming of CHRIST and HIS universal reign over all the nations.

NEW TESTAMENT

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1 Peter 4: 1

1 Peter 4: 1

He that hath suffered.

Those who willingly suffer for the cause of CHRIST find it easier to resist sin and to follow GOD's will. They have united themselves with CHRIST and shared HIS cross. As a result the pull of sin is made insignificant and the will of GOD will paramount.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 8th June 2024

Morning

Psalms- 95

Old Testament- Numbers 25: 11 – 18

New Testament- 1 Peter 4: 12 – 19

Evening

Psalms- 96

Old Testament- Numbers 26: 1 – 18

New Testament- 1 Peter 5: 1 – 5

Verses for 8th June 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 95 and 96

Psalms 95: 1 – 11

O come, let us sing unto the LORD.

This psalm call us to make sure that our worship and praise are accompanied by hearts that are obedient to the LORD, it sets forth Israel's sin and rebellion in the wilderness as an example of those who err in what they desire, do not know GOD's righteous ways , and therefore fail to receive what GOD has promised.

OLD TESTAMENT



Numbers 25: 11 – 26: 18

Numbers 25: 11

Zealous for my sake...

Phinehas reacted to the moral degeneration and idolatry among GOD's people in holy anger. His exceptional zeal for GOD's honour was evident in his love of righteousness and his hatred of sin, as GOD HIMSELF shows, His zeal typifies the zeal

of CHRIST for GOD's holiness. The LORD gave Phinehas the promise of an everlasting priesthood. To be sincerely zealous for the LORD's sake is always rewarded with great blessings from GOD.

NEW TESTAMENT

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1 Peter 4: 12 – 5: 5

1 Peter 5: 2

Feed the flock of GOD.

Elders have the responsibility of caring for believers, disciplining them, feeding them with the Word and guarding over their souls.

CREATION PROCLAIMS GLORY OF GOD

(Environment Sunday)

Morning Scripture Reading:

Proverbs 8: 22 – 31

Psalms 19

Revelation 21: 1 – 8

Luke 8: 22 – 25

Evening Scripture Reading:

Isaiah 40: 21 – 31 /

Galatians 1: 9 – 20

Collect:

GOD, our creator, we thank YOU for the awesome and innumerable gifts of creation. We thank YOU and magnify YOUR holy name along with the creation that glorifies YOU. YOU have called us to be faithful stewards of YOUR creation. But we have failed in our responsibility towards YOU and the creation. Purge us from all evils and enable us to be good and faithful creation. Make us sensible to live in tune with the nature; enable us to experience the grandeur of YOUR creation, in JESUS name who lives and reigns with YOU and the HOLY SPIRIT, one GOD now and forever.

Amen.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 10th June 2024

Morning

Psalms- 100 and 101

Old Testament- Numbers 26: 19 – 34

New Testament- 1 Peter 5: 6 – 14

Evening

Psalms- 102

Old Testament- Numbers 26: 35 – 51

New Testament- 2 Peter 1: 1 – 4

Quiz for 10th June 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 100; 101 and 102

1) Author of psalm 101...?

Numbers 26: 19 – 51

2) What are the names of the 4 daughters...?

1 Peter 5: 6 – 2 Peter 1: 4

3) Walking in righteousness and obedience...reference...?

Verses for 10th June 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 100; 101 and 102

Psalms 101: 2

I will walk within my house with a perfect heart.

Faithful believers will make it a priority to please GOD in their own homes. Family relationships are where true godliness must first be manifested and developed. The very purpose and direction of our hearts must be to seek GOD in prayer, to study HIS Word to have fame devotions, to show love and care to the members of our family, to walk blameless and to have eyes that refuse to look at evil.

OLD TESTAMENT



Numbers 26: 19 – 51

Numbers 26: 26

Envious spirits do not love their successors; but Moses was not one of these.

We should concern ourselves, both in our prayers and in our endeavours, for the rising generation that religion may be maintained and advanced, when we are in our graves. GOD appoints a successor, even Joshua; who had signalized himself by his courage in fighting Amalek, his humility in ministering to Moses, and his faith and sincerity in witnessing against the report of the evil spies. This man GOD appoints to succeed Moses; a man in whom is the Spirit, the Spirit of grace. He is a good man, fearing GOD and hating covetousness, and acting from principle. He has the spirit of government; he is fit to do the work and discharge the trusts of his place. He has a spirit of conduct and courage; he had also the Spirit of prophecy. That man is not fully qualified for any service in the church of CHRIST, who is destitute of the graces and gifts of the HOLY SPIRIT, whatever human abilities he may possess. And in Joshua's succession we are reminded "that the law was given by Moses," who by reason of our transgression could not bring us to heaven; but "grace and truth came by JESUS CHRIST," for the salvation of every believer.

NEW TESTAMENT

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1 Peter 5: 6 – 2 Peter 1: 4

2 Peter 1: 3

All things that pertain unto life and godliness.

The love of our Heavenly FATHER, salvation through JESUS CHRIST, CHRIST's intercession for us in heaven, the indwelling of and baptism in the HOLY SPIRIT, the communion of the saints and GOD's inspired Word are sufficient to meet all that believers' need for life and godliness.

CSI Almanac – 11th June 2024, Tuesday

BARNABAS, APOSTLE

Old Testament Reading:

Job 29: 7 – 16

Psalms Reading:

Psalms 34

Epistle Reading:

Acts 11: 19 – 26; and 13: 1 – 3

Gospel Reading:

Matthew 5: 13 – 16

Collect:

Almighty GOD, help us to follow the example of YOUR servant Barnabas. Help us to console and comfort the sad, the lonely and the broken- hearted; and to use all that we have in YOUR service and in the service of our fellow human beings remembering always that in giving we receive abundantly; and strengthen us to spread the Gospel of new life and to stand by all who make a new beginning in life; through JESUS CHRIST our LORD, who lives and reigns with YOU together with the HOLY SPIRIT, one GOD, world without end.

Amen.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 12th June 2024

Morning

Psalms- 104: 24 – 35

Old Testament- Numbers 27: 12 – 23

New Testament- 2 Peter 1: 16 – 21

Evening

Psalms- 105: 1 – 22

Old Testament- Numbers 28: 1 – 15

New Testament- 2 Peter 2: 1 – 3

Quiz for 12th June 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 104: 24 – 35 and 105: 1 – 22

1) The LORD remembers his covenant...Psalm number...?

Numbers 27: 12 – 28: 15

2) HOLY SPIRIT...reference...?

2 Peter 1: 16 – 2: 3

3) Briefly explain verse 19...?

Verses for 12th June 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 104: 24 – 35 and 105: 1 – 22

Psalms 105: 15

Touch not mine anointed.

In this context, the anointed ones are Abraham, Isaac, Jacob and Joseph, we may not conclude from this verse, however, that we should give heed to every person who claims to be anointed.

OLD TESTAMENT



Numbers 27: 12 – 28: 15

Numbers 27: 21

Judgment of Urim, the Urim and the Thummim...

Scripture does not explain what is meant by the Urim and the Thummim. The literal meaning may be lights and perfections or curses and perfections. They were probably used for casting lots to receive yes or no in order to determine God's will in particular cases.

NEW TESTAMENT

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2 Peter 1: 16 – 2: 3

2 Peter 1: 20

No prophecy of the scriptures came about by the writer's own ideas or reasoning, but came from the HOLY SPIRIT.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 13th June 2024

Morning

Psalms- 105: 23 – 45

Old Testament- Numbers 28: 16 – 31

New Testament- 2 Peter 2: 4 – 10

Evening

Psalms- 106: 1 – 18 & 42 – 48

Old Testament- Numbers 29: 1 – 16

New Testament- 2 Peter 2: 11 – 17

Quiz for 13th June 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 105: 23 – 45 and 106: 1 – 18 & 42 – 48

1) Explain briefly 106: 15...?

Numbers 28: 16 – 29: 16

2) When is no servile work done...?

2 Peter 2: 4 – 17

3) Whom does GOD deliver...out of temptations? Reference...?

Verses for 13th June 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 105: 23 – 45 and 106: 1 – 18 & 42 – 48

Psalms 106: 15

But sent leanness unto their soul...

We must beware of desiring and pursuing what is not in the will of GOD. When we insist on satisfying our selfish desires, GOD sometimes lets us have our own way, but with it comes spiritual leanness or physical calamity. GOD may allow us to pursue things contrary to HIS revealed will, such as an unholy vocational ambition, an

unholy live affair, worldly pleasures, covetous desires or ungodly fellowship with unbelievers, but in the end those things have destructive consequences.

OLD TESTAMENT



Numbers 28: 16 – 29: 16

Numbers 28: 16 – 31

By the sacrifices enjoined in this chapter, we are reminded of the continued power of the sacrifice of CHRIST, and of our continual need to depend thereon.

No hurrying employments, or perilous situations, or prosperous circumstances, should cause slackness in our religious exercises; but should rather stir us up to greater diligence in seeking help from, or giving thanks to the LORD. And all is to be accompanied with repentance, faith in the LORD JESUS, and love to HIM, and to produce true holiness in our conduct towards all men; otherwise GOD will abhor our most solemn services and abundant devotions. And CHRIST is able to supply the wants of every day, every week, every month, every year, every ordinance, and every case.

NEW TESTAMENT



2 Peter 2: 4 – 17

2 Peter 2: 8

Vexed his righteous soul...

An essential characteristics of truly righteous people is that they love righteousness and hate wickedness. Their souls are distressed and tormented by the sin, immorality and ungodliness in the world.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 14th June 2024

Morning

Psalms- 106: 19 – 48

Old Testament- Numbers 29: 17 – 28

New Testament- 2 Peter 2: 18 – 22

Evening

Psalms- 107: 1 – 22

Old Testament- Numbers 29: 29 – 40

New Testament- 2 Peter 3: 1 – 7

Quiz for 14th June 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 106: 19 – 48 and 107: 1 – 22

1) The LORD's goodness to men...Psalm number..? Reference...?

Numbers 29: 17 – 40

2) Feast of _____ offerings. (Fill in the blank)

2 Peter 2: 18 – 3: 7

3) Who promises liberty...reference...?

Verses for 14th June 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 106: 19 – 48 and 107: 1 – 22

Psalms 107

The psalmist, having in the two foregoing psalms celebrated the wisdom, power, and goodness of GOD, in his dealings with his church in particular, here observes some of the instances of his providential care of the children of men in general, especially in their distresses; for he is not only King of saints, but King of nations, not only the GOD of Israel, but the GOD of the whole earth, and a common Father to all mankind. Though this may especially refer to Israelites in their personal capacity, yet there were those who pertained not to the commonwealth of Israel and yet were

worshippers of the true GOD; and even those who worshipped images had some knowledge of a supreme "Numen," to whom, when they were in earnest, they looked above all their false gods.

And of these, when they prayed in their distresses, GOD took a particular care,

- I. The psalmist specifies some of the most common calamities of human life, and shows how GOD succours those that labour under them, in answer to their prayers.
 - 1) Banishment and dispersion (verses 2--9).
 - 2) Captivity and imprisonment (verses 10--16).
 - 3) Sickness and distemper of body (verses 17--22).
 - 4) Danger and distress at sea (verses 23--32).

These are put for all similar perils, in which those that cry unto GOD have ever found HIM a very present help.

- II. He specifies the varieties and vicissitudes of events concerning nations and families, in all which GOD's hand is to be eyed by his own people, with joyful acknowledgments of HIS goodness (verses 33--43).

When we are in any of these or the like distresses it will be comfortable to sing this psalm, with application; but, if we be not, others are, and have been, of whose deliverances it becomes us to give GOD the glory, for we are members one of another.

OLD TESTAMENT



Numbers 29: 17 – 40

Soon after the Day of Atonement, the day in which men were to afflict their souls, followed the feast of Tabernacles, in which they were to rejoice before the LORD. Their days of rejoicing were to be days of sacrifices. A disposition to be cheerful does us good, when it encourages our hearts in the duties of GOD's service. All the days of dwelling in booths they must offer sacrifices; while we are here in a tabernacle state, it is our interest, as well as our duty, constantly to keep up communion with GOD. The sacrifices for each of the seven days are appointed. Every day there must be a sin-offering, as in the other feasts. Our burnt-offerings of praise cannot be accepted of GOD, unless we have an interest in the great sacrifice which CHRIST offered, when HE made himself a Sin-offering for us. And no

extraordinary services should put aside stated devotions. Everything here reminds us of our sinfulness. The life that we live in the flesh must be by the faith of the SON of GOD; until we go to be with HIM, to behold His glory, and praise His mercy, who hath loved us and washed us from our sins in HIS own blood. To whom be honour and glory for ever. Amen.

NEW TESTAMENT

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2 Peter 2: 18 – 3: 7

2 Peter 3: 7

Reserved unto fire.

Because sin has contaminated the heavens and earth. GOD has determined to destroy them by fire. This day will come as surely as the flood did in Noah's time. GOD's intervention to purify the earth by fire signifies that HE will not allow sin to go unpublished forever.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 15th June 2024

Morning

Psalms- 107: 23 – 43

Old Testament- Numbers 30: 1 – 16

New Testament- 2 Peter 3: 8 – 13

Evening

Psalms- 108

Old Testament- Numbers 31: 1 – 13

New Testament- 2 Peter 3: 14 – 18

Verses for 15th June 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 107: 23 – 43 and 108

Psalms 108

We may usefully select passages from different psalms, as here, Psalm 57, to help our devotions, and enliven our gratitude. When the heart is firm in faith and love, the tongue, being employed in grateful praises, is our glory. Every gift of the LORD honours and profits the possessor, as it is employed in GOD's service and to HIS glory. Believers may pray with assured faith and hope, for all the blessings of salvation; which are secured to them by the faithful promise and covenant of GOD. Then let them expect from HIM help in every trouble, and victory in every conflict. Whatever we do, whatever we gain, GOD must have all the glory. LORD, visit all our souls with this salvation, with this favour which thou bearest to thy chosen people.

OLD TESTAMENT



Numbers 30: 1 – 31: 13

Numbers 30: 2
Vow is a vow...

This chapter makes it clear that GOD required His people to keep their promises to HIM and to others. Through these laws HE impressed on them the serious nature of any vows and pledges made, and HE emphasized that insincerity, lying and hypocrisy had no place among GOD's people. However, special provisions were made concerning rash vows of youth and vows that affected the relationship between husband and wife or father and daughter.

NEW TESTAMENT

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2 Peter 3: 8 – 18

2 Peter 3: 9

Not willing that any should perish.

The delay of CHRIST's return is related to the preaching of the gospel of the kingdom to the whole world. GOD wants everyone to hear the gospel and does not desire anyone to perish eternally. This truth does not mean that all will be saved, all those who reject GOD's grace and salvation will sadly be lost eternally.

CSI Almanac – 16th June 2024, Sunday

WORSHIP THE LORD IN TRUTH AND SPIRIT

Morning Scripture Reading:

Isaiah 6: 1 – 8

Psalms 139

2 Thessalonians 2: 13 – 17

John 4: 15 – 26

Evening Scripture Reading:

Exodus 32: 7 – 14 /

1 John 5: 6 – 12

Collect:

Almighty and ever-living GOD, YOU have given us grace, by our confession of faith, to acknowledge and worship the eternal Trinity in the majesty of unity. Keep us steadfast in this faith and worship and bring us at last to see YOU in YOUR eternal glory, through JESUS CHRIST our LORD who lives and reigns with YOU and the HOLY SPIRIT, one GOD, now and ever.

Amen.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 17th June 2024

Morning

Psalms- 111 and 112

Old Testament- Numbers 31: 14 – 24

New Testament- Ephesians 1: 1– 7

Evening

Psalms- 113 and 114

Old Testament- Numbers 31: 25 – 54

New Testament- Ephesians 1: 8 – 14

Quiz for 17th June 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 111 to 114

1) The GOD of the Exodus...Psalm number...?

Numbers 31: 14 – 54

2) As per the LORD's instructions, how many parts was the prey divided...Reference...?

Ephesians 1: 1 – 14

3) Spiritual blessings in CHRIST...reference...?

Verses for 17th June 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 111 to 114

Psalms 112: 1

Delighteth greatly in his commandments.

What matters most in the life of a GOD fearing person is that GOD's will be done on earth. Such people love GOD's laws because HIS commandments represent the righteousness the world scorns.

OLD TESTAMENT



Numbers 31: 14 – 54

Numbers 31: 48 – 54

The success of the Israelites had been very remarkable, so small a company overcoming such multitudes, but it was still more wonderful that not one was slain or missing. They presented the gold they found among the spoils, as an offering to the LORD. Thus they confessed, that instead of claiming a reward for their service, they needed forgiveness of much that had been amiss, and desired to be thankful for the preservation of their lives, which might justly have been taken away.

NEW TESTAMENT



Ephesians 1: 1 – 14

Ephesians 1: 13

Sealed ...HOLY SPIRIT...

As a seal, the HOLY SPIRIT is given to believers as GOD's mark of ownership. By bestowing the SPIRIT, GOD marks us as HIS own.

When the HOLY SPIRIT regenerates and renews us, delivers us from the power of sin gives us consciousness of God as our Father and fills us with power to witness for HIM.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 18th June 2024

Morning

Psalms- 116 and 117

Old Testament- Numbers 32: 1 – 15

New Testament- Ephesians 1: 15 – 23

Evening

Psalms- 115

Old Testament- Numbers 32: 16 – 27

New Testament- Ephesians 2: 1 – 10

Quiz for 18th June 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 115; 116 and 117

- 1) Praise of GOD's steadfast love...Psalm number...?

Numbers 32: 1 – 27

- 2) What was the reply of Reuben and Gad's children to Moses condition regarding occupying land of their choice? Reference...?

Ephesians 1: 15 – 2: 10

- 3) Walking in obedience and righteousness? Reference...?

Verses for 18th June 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 115; 116 and 117

Psalms 116: 15

Precious... is the death of his saints...

The LORD carefully watches over the lives of His faithful people. He exercises control over the circumstances of their deaths. When they are dying, HE is there with them. Their deaths, which are of great value to HIM are the occasion when they are

delivered from all evil, are taken from this life to blessed victory and are brought into heaven to see JESUS face to face.

OLD TESTAMENT



Numbers 32: 1 – 27

Numbers 32: 20

If ye will go armed...

Moses would allow the tribes of Reuben and Gad to settle on the east side of Jordan only if they promised to help the other tribes in their conquest of Canaan. It would be considered a great sin if they sought their own selfish interest when others gave themselves to do battle for the LORD.

NEW TESTAMENT

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Ephesians 1: 15 – 2: 10

Ephesians 1: 19

HIS power...

In order for us as believers to advance in grace, achieve victory over Satan and sin, witness effectively for CHRIST and gain final salvation, GOD'S SPIRIT and power must be present within us.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 19th June 2024

Morning

Psalms- 118

Old Testament- Numbers 32: 28 – 42

New Testament- Ephesians 2: 11– 16

Evening

Psalms- 119: 1– 24

Old Testament- Numbers 33: 1 – 17

New Testament- Ephesians 2: 17 – 22

Quiz for 19th June 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 118 and 119: 1– 24

- 1) Old Testament Prophecy and New Testament fulfilment...?

Numbers 32: 28 – 33: 17

- 2) Tribes of Reuben and Gad acquired which part of land...?

Ephesians 2: 11 – 22

- 3) We are built upon...? Reference...?

Verses for 19th June 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 118 and 119: 1– 24

Psalms 118

HIS mercy endureth for ever.

This psalm praises the LORD for HIS everlasting love for His people. It may have been the last words sung by JESUS and HIS disciples before HE went to the Garden of Gethsemane, where HE was arrested and led to HIS death. It will also be sung before the return of CHRIST at the end of the age.

When reading this psalm, meditate on what might have been in CHRIST's mind when HE sang it for the last time.

OLD TESTAMENT



Numbers 32: 28 – 33: 17

Numbers 32: 28 – 42

Concerning the settlement of these tribes, observe, that they built the cities, i.e. repaired them. They changed the names of them; probably they were idolatrous, therefore they should be forgotten.

A spirit of selfishness, of seeking our own, not the things of CHRIST, when each one ought to assist others, is as dangerous as it is common. It is impossible to be sincere in the faith, sensible of the goodness of GOD, constrained by the love of CHRIST, sanctified by the power of the HOLY GHOST, and yet be indifferent to the progress of religion, and the spiritual success of others, through love of ease, or fear of conflict.

Let then your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your FATHER who is in heaven.

NEW TESTAMENT



Ephesians 2: 11 – 22

Ephesians 2: 20

Foundation...apostles...

The church can only be a true church if it is founded on the CHRIST inspired infallible revelation to the first apostles.

The New Testament apostles were the original messengers, witnesses and authorised representatives of the crucified and the risen LORD.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 20th June 2024

Morning

Psalms- 119: 25 – 48

Old Testament- Numbers 33: 18 – 36

New Testament- Ephesians 3: 1 – 7

Evening

Psalms- 119: 49 – 72

Old Testament- Numbers 33: 37 – 49

New Testament- Ephesians 3: 8 – 13

Quiz for 20th June 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 119: 25 – 72

1) Living the LORD's way...? Reference...?

Numbers 33: 18 – 49

2) Who wrote the details of journeys through the wilderness...? Reference...?

Ephesians 3: 1 – 13

3) Explain briefly verse 3...?

Verses for 20th June 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 119: 25 – 72

Psalms 119: 27

Make me to understand the way of THY precepts.

GOD's Word can be understood fully with HIS help. Thus we should continually pray to GOD, through HIS HOLY SPIRIT, to draw near to us and for GOD to increase our understanding and to teach us HIS truth.

OLD TESTAMENT



Numbers 33: 18 – 49

This is a brief review of the travels of the children of Israel through the wilderness. It is a memorable history. In their travels towards Canaan they were continually on the remove.

Such is our state in this world; we have here no continuing city, and all our removes in this world are but from one part a desert to another.

They were led to and fro, forward and backward, yet were all the while under the direction of the pillar of cloud and fire. GOD led them about, yet led them the right way. The way GOD takes in bringing His people to HIMSELF is always the best way, though it does not always seem to us the nearest way.

Thus we ought to keep in mind the providences of GOD concerning us and families, us and our land, and the many instances of that Divine care which has led us, and fed us, and kept us all our days hitherto.

Few periods of our lives can be thought upon, without reminding us of the LORD's goodness, and our own ingratitude and disobedience: HIS kindness leaves us without excuse for our sins. We could not wish to travel over again the stages we have passed, unless we could hope, by the grace of GOD, to shun the sins we then committed, and to embrace such opportunities of doing good as we have let slip. Soon will our wanderings end, and our eternal state be fixed beyond recall; how important then is the present moment!

Happy are those whom the LORD now guides with HIS counsel, and will at length receive to HIS glory. To this happiness the gospel calls us. Behold now is the accepted time, now is the day of salvation. Let sinners seize the opportunity, and flee for refuge to the hope set before them. Let us redeem our time, to glorify GOD and serve our generation; and HE will carry us safely through all, to HIS eternal kingdom.

NEW TESTAMENT

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Ephesians 3: 1 – 13

Ephesians 3: 7

Grace of GOD.

The grace of GOD, given to each believer to accomplish the will of GOD is an energising strength that flows from the risen CHRIST and operates through the HOLY SPIRIT indwelling the believer.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 21st June 2024

Morning

Psalms- 119: 73 – 96

Old Testament- Numbers 33: 50 – 56

New Testament- Ephesians 3: 14 – 21

Evening

Psalms- 119: 97 – 120

Old Testament- Numbers 34: 1 – 15

New Testament- Ephesians 4: 1 – 10

Quiz for 21st June 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 119: 73 – 120

1) GOD's unchangeable law...? Reference...?

Numbers 33: 50 – 34: 15

2) Why was it necessary to drive out the inhabitants...?

Ephesians 3: 14 – 4: 10

3) Fruit of the HOLY SPIRIT...reference...?

Verses for 21st June 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 119: 73 – 120

Psalms 119: 105

THY Word is...a light unto my path.

GOD's Word contains the spiritual principles that will help us avoid many sorrows, pitfalls and tragedies brought on by wrong decisions and choices, consequently, we must treasure its wisdom and steadfastly hold on to its precepts in all life's situations.

OLD TESTAMENT



Numbers 33: 50 – 34: 15

Numbers 33: 55

If ye will not drive out the inhabitants.

If the Israelites failed to drive out completely the wicked Canaanites and destroy their idolatrous worship centres, then GOD would cause those Canaanites to give them trouble, and HE HIMSELF would Judge them.

Likewise, if the church of JESUS CHRIST tolerates sin in its midst, then trouble, destruction and death will come on the church and on the souls of her members. GOD will allow His people to be trampled by the evil world that they have failed to resist.

NEW TESTAMENT



Ephesians 3: 14 – 4: 10

Ephesians 3: 16 – 19

Strengthened ...inner man.

To have the inner man strengthened by the SPIRIT is to have our spirits energized with His life and to bring our souls more and more under His influence and direction so that the SPIRIT can manifest HIS power through us in greater measure.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 22nd June 2024

Morning

Psalms- 119: 121 – 144

Old Testament- Numbers 34: 16 – 29

New Testament- Ephesians 4: 11– 16

Evening

Psalms- 119: 145 – 160

Old Testament- Numbers 35: 1 – 15

New Testament- Ephesians 4: 17 – 24

Verses for 22nd June 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 119: 121 – 160

Psalms 119: 151

Thou are near, O LORD.

The psalmist experiences GOD's nearness in times of trouble because he loves the LORD and is devoted to meditating on HIS Word. The LORD is near to all who love HIM and HIS Word.

If you have trouble in your life, take your Bible and let GOD's SPIRIT and Word revive your relationship with HIM.

OLD TESTAMENT



Numbers 34: 16 – 35: 15

Numbers 35: 11

Cities of refuge.

Cities of refuge were established to provide protection for someone who killed a person accidentally. Those accused of murder could flee to one of the cities and find refuge until a fair trial, could be arranged.

NEW TESTAMENT

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Ephesians 4: 11 – 24

Ephesians 4: 15

Truth in love.

Maintaining the unity in the faith must be based on an active love that seeks to resolve problems and reconcile differences by mutual loyalty and obedience to CHRIST and HIS Word. This means that holding and speaking New Testament truth in love have priority loyalty to Christian Institutions, tradition, individual people of the visible church.

COST OF DISCIPLESHIP

Morning Scripture Reading:

Daniel 6: 11 – 23

Psalms 34

2 Corinthians 6: 1 – 10

Mark 10: 35 – 45

Evening Scripture Reading:

Jeremiah 38: 1 – 9 /

Hebrews 11: 23 – 40

Collect:

GOD the great Guru, who exemplified the cost of being a true disciple in JESUS; teach us to be true Disciples of CHRIST in our everyday life; mould us to be obedient to YOUR words; build within us a servant heart and challenge us every day to take up our cross to follow YOUR footsteps. So that we may be delivered from all pride and fears, humbled enough to drink the cup of suffering with YOU and be servants of your people around us, even in the midst of trials and tribulations. This we ask in the name of our LORD and SAVIOUR JESUS CHRIST, who lives and reigns with YOU in the unity of the HOLY SPIRIT, one GOD, world without end.

Amen.

CSI Almanac – 24th June 2024, Monday

JOHN THE BAPTIST

(St. John the Baptist Day)

Old Testament Reading:

Malachi 3: 1 – 5

Epistle Reading:

Revelation 3: 14 – 22

Gospel Reading:

Luke 1: 68 – 79 / John 3: 22 – 36

Collect:

O GOD our LORD, YOU sent John the Baptist to prepare the way for the coming of YOUR SON, Grant us the wisdom to see YOUR purpose and openness to hear YOUR will. Teach us to repent according to his teaching, and follow his example by constantly speaking the truth, boldly rebuking the vice and patiently suffering for truth's sake, and thereby prepare the way for CHRIST who is coming in power and glory to establish his kingdom of peace and justice, through the same JESUS CHRIST our LORD, who lives and reigns with YOU and the HOLY SPIRIT, one GOD, now and forever.

Amen.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 25th June 2024

Morning

Psalms- 132; 133 and 134

Old Testament- Judges 1: 1 – 15

New Testament- Ephesians 5: 11– 21

Evening

Psalms- 135

Old Testament- Judges 1: 16 – 36

New Testament- Ephesians 5: 22 – 33

Quiz for 25th June 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 132 to 135

- 1) Blessing for brotherly unity...Reference...?

Judges 1: 1 – 36

- 2) How was the king disabled, to prevent from fighting...?

Ephesians 5: 11 – 33

- 3) Reference of HOLY SPIRIT & Praise...?

Verses for 25th June 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 132 to 135

Psalms 133: 1 – 3

Brethren to dwell together in unity.

This psalm expresses the same spiritual truth as John 17, where JESUS prayed that His followers would be established in love, holiness and unity. HE knew that the HOLY SPIRIT could not operate among them if there were divisions based on sin and selfish ambitions. But fervent love for GOD and for one another along with

sanctification in the truth of GOD's Word, will bring GOD's nearness to and HIS anointing on His people.

OLD TESTAMENT



Judges 1: 1 – 36

Judges 1: 28

Did not utterly drive them out.

Joshua had destroyed many of the Canaanites, yet after his death a considerable number remained within the land, GOD had commanded Israel to drive out the Canaanites completely, excusing themselves of their corrupt and sensual form of religion. Israel's ultimate failure to do this caused them to compromise with the Canaanites and brought ruin and defeat to the people of GOD.

NEW TESTAMENT



Ephesians 5: 11 – 33

Ephesians 5: 18

Filled with the SPIRIT.

Be filled carries the meaning in Greek of being filled repeatedly. GOD's children must experience constant renewal by repeatedly being filled with the HOLY SPIRIT. Christians are to be baptised in the HOLY SPIRIT after conversion.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 26th June 2024

Morning

Psalms- 136

Old Testament- Judges 2: 1 – 10

New Testament- Ephesians 6: 1 – 9

Evening

Psalms- 137: 1 – 6 and 138

Old Testament- Judges 2: 11 – 23

New Testament- Ephesians 6: 10 – 17

Quiz for 26th June 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 136; 137: 1 – 6 and 138

- 1) Mention any one reference from Bible of GOD's Mercy...?

Judges 2: 1 – 23

- 2) Reason for backsliding...?

Ephesians 6: 1 – 17

- 3) Victory over satan and demons...reference...?

Verses for 26th June 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 136; 137: 1 – 6 and 138

Psalms 136

For HIS mercy endures for ever.

This teaches us that GOD's mercy and love are the foundation of all HIS works on our behalf and the fountain head of all our Thanksgiving. HIS love includes HIS mercy, faithfulness and kindness.

OLD TESTAMENT



Judges 2: 1 – 23

Judges 2: 16

The LORD raised up Judges...

The Judges served as military and tribal leaders in a time when Israel was undergoing spiritual, social and moral decline. GOD raised them up to deliver His people from their enemies after they repented and returned to GOD. The Judges possessed outstanding qualities of leadership and accomplished great feats through the power of the HOLY SPIRIT.

NEW TESTAMENT



Ephesians 6: 1 – 17

Ephesians 6: 1

Children obey.

Normally children of believers remain under parental guidance until they become part of another family unit through marriage. Small children must be taught to obey and honour their parents by being brought up in the training and instructions of the LORD.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 27th June 2024

Morning

Psalms- 139

Old Testament- Judges 3: 1 – 11

New Testament- Ephesians 6: 18 – 24

Evening

Psalms- 140: 1 – 8, 12 & 13 and Psalms 141

Old Testament- Judges 3: 12 – 30

New Testament- 1 Timothy 1: 1 – 7

Quiz for 27th June 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 139; Psalms 140: 1 – 8, 12 & 13 and Psalms 141

- 1) Let my prayer be set forth before thee as incense, and the lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice...Reference...?

Judges 3: 1 – 30

- 2) HOLY SPIRIT...Reference...?

Ephesians 6: 18 – 24 and 1 Timothy 1: 1 – 7

- 3) Witnessing...reference...?

Verses for 27th June 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 139; Psalms 140: 1 – 8, 12 & 13 and Psalms 141

Psalms 139: 17

How precious also are THY thoughts unto me.

We can be comforted knowing that GOD is continually aware of our needs, troubles and suffering, and that HE plans for our care, forgiveness, salvation and sanctification. HIS thoughts for us are unfathomable and immeasurable.

As apostle Paul writes Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which GOD hath prepared for them that love HIM.

OLD TESTAMENT



Judges 3: 1 – 30

Judges 3: 10

SPIRIT of the LORD came upon him.

The judges of Israel were supernaturally empowered by GOD's SPIRIT, they were charismatic leaders. Through this spiritual enabling, they received the power and wisdom needed to perform extraordinary achievements for GOD and Israel.

NEW TESTAMENT

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Ephesians 6: 18 – 24 and 1 Timothy 1: 1 – 7

Ephesians 6: 17 & 18

The Sword of the SPIRIT.

The Sword of the SPIRIT is our offensive weapon in spiritual warfare. Satan will make every effort to undermine or destroy our confidence in that Sword, which is the WORD OF GOD. The church must defend the inspired Scriptures against allegations that Scripture is not GOD's Word in everything it teaches.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 28th June 2024

Morning

Psalms- 142 and 143

Old Testament- Judges 4: 1 – 16

New Testament- 1 Timothy 1: 8 – 14

Evening

Psalms- 144

Old Testament- Judges 4: 17 – 24

New Testament- 1 Timothy 1: 15 – 20

Quiz for 28th June 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 142; 143 and 144

1) Teacheth my hands to war...Reference...?

Judges 4: 1 – 24

2) Gifts of the HOLY SPIRIT...reference...?

1 Timothy 1: 8 – 20

3) Salvation...reference...?

Verses for 28th June 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 142; 143 and 144

Psalms 144: 1

Teacheth my hands to war.

The psalmist was called upon to wage war for the nation of Israel. We can apply this message to believers in CHRIST whom GOD calls to wage spiritual battle against Satan, the world and the flesh. We must advance GOD's kingdom by proclaiming the gospel in the power of the HOLY SPIRIT, by bringing down Satan's strongholds and

by leading people to salvation in CHRIST. Warriors who depend on GOD's strength and training will be victorious.

OLD TESTAMENT



Judges 4: 1 – 24

Judges 4: 4 Deborah...

Deborah was a prophetess, she had prophetic gifts, which enabled her to hear messages from GOD and to communicate HIS will to the people. Deborah's close relationship with GOD gave her great influence among her people.

NEW TESTAMENT



1 Timothy 1: 8 – 20

1 Timothy 1: 18 According to the prophecies.

Evidently prophecies had been made regarding Timothy's life and ministry in the church. Paul exhorts Timothy to remain faithful to that revealed will for his life. As a spiritual leader of the church in Ephesus he must remain loyal to the true apostolic faith and fight against the false doctrines creeping into the church.

PETER, APOSTLE AND MARTYR

Morning Scripture Reading:

Jeremiah 16: 16 – 21

Psalms 18: 30 – 36

Acts 4: 32 – 37

Mark 8: 1 – 10

Evening Scripture Reading:

Isaiah 56: 6 – 12 /

1 Peter 4: 7 – 11

Collect:

Gracious GOD, by whose inspiration Your apostle Peter acknowledged JESUS as the CHRIST and SON of GOD; grant that Your Church, firmly founded on this faith, may with one heart and mind witness to its LORD and SAVIOUR JESUS CHRIST, who lives and reigns with YOU and the HOLY SPIRIT, one GOD, now and forever.

Amen.

PEOPLE OF GOD: SALT AND LIGHT

Morning Scripture Reading:

Isaiah 49: 1 – 7

Psalms 27

Ephesians 5: 1 – 5

Matthew 5: 13 – 16

Evening Scripture Reading:

Leviticus 2: 11 – 16 /

Romans 13: 11 – 14

Collect:

GOD of light, source of creative power who commanded the powers of darkness to be shattered and to fill the earth with light the source of life and sustenance. It is through JESUS CHRIST YOUR SON and our SAVIOUR YOU enlightened the darken world with his life and ministry, more so through HIS resurrection, the ultimate and hopeful sign of victory over forces of darkness. So we pray that transform us as YOUR people to be like salt and light of the world, continuing YOUR ministry of transforming the world into meaningful and purposeful one in order that YOUR name be glorified through JESUS CHRIST our LORD, who lives and reigns with YOU and the HOLY SPIRIT, one GOD, now and forever more.

Amen.

(OR)

PAUL AND THE TWELVE APOSTLES

Scripture Reading:

Jeremiah 23: 1 – 4

Psalms 2

Galatians 2: 1 – 10

Matthew 20: 25 – 28

Collect:

O GOD, YOU have built YOUR church upon the foundation of the apostles and the prophets, JESUS CHRIST HIMSELF being the head corner-stone: grant us so to be joined together in the unity of the SPIRIT by their doctrine, that we with all the saints may be a holy temple acceptable to YOU; through JESUS CHRIST our LORD, who lives and reigns with YOU and the HOLY SPIRIT, one GOD, now and ever.

Amen.

July 2024

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 1st July 2024

Morning

Psalms- 1; 2; 5

Old Testament- Judges 6: 1 – 10

New Testament- 1 Timothy 3: 1 – 7

Evening

Psalms- 3; 4

Old Testament- Judges 6: 11 – 24

New Testament- 1 Timothy 3: 8 – 13

Quiz for 1st July 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 1 – 5

1) Fruit of the HOLY SPIRIT...Reference...?

Judges 6: 1 – 24

2) What did Gideon ask the LORD...Reference...?

1 Timothy 3: 1 – 13

3) Holding the mystery of the faith in pure conscience...Reference...?

Verses for 1st July 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 1 – 5

Psalms 1: 2

His delight is in the Law.

Those who are blessed by GOD not only turn from evil, but also build their lives around the instruction of the LORD. They genuinely take pleasure in GOD and His beauty, and pattern their lives according to HIS Word. What motivates their actions is love for GOD and HIS Word. As they draw life from GOD, they live fruit bearing lives.

OLD TESTAMENT



Judges 6: 1 – 24

Judges 6: 16
I will be with thee.

All those who, like Gideon earnestly seek to serve GOD can depend on the active presence of GOD with them. This promise is made to all New Testament believers by JESUS CHRIST HIMSELF.

NEW TESTAMENT



1 Timothy 3: 1 – 13

1 Timothy 3: 4
Ruleth well his own house.

A key qualification for the candidate desiring the office of overseer is faithfulness in marriage and family relationships.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 2nd July 2024

Morning

Psalms- 8; 9

Old Testament- Judges 6: 25 – 40

New Testament- 1 Timothy 3: 14 – 16

Evening

Psalms- 6; 7

Old Testament- Judges 7: 1 – 14

New Testament- 1 Timothy 4: 1 – 5

Quiz for 2nd July 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 6 – 9

1) Healing...Reference...?

Judges 6: 25 – 7: 14

2) Victory over satan and demons...Reference...?

1 Timothy 3: 14 – 4: 5

3) Deacons conduct...Reference...?

Verses for 2nd July 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 6 – 9

Psalms 7: 10

Which save the upright in heart.

The HOLY SPIRIT teaches that the righteous can expect GOD to deliver and help them in times of affliction. We may appeal to GOD on the basis of a clear conscience and our sincere endeavour to maintain uprightness of heart.

OLD TESTAMENT



Judges 6: 25 – 7: 14

Judges 6: 34

SPIRIT of the LORD came upon Gideon.

The verb came upon literally means to put on, clothe.

GOD's SPIRIT filled Gideon, so that Gideon wore the clothes and the SPIRIT within him moved him so as to equip him to serve GOD's people.

The experience of having the SPIRIT come upon and live in a person is promised to all who believe in JESUS CHRIST.

NEW TESTAMENT



1 Timothy 3: 14 – 4: 5

1 Timothy 3: 15

Church ...pillar and ground of the truth.

The church must be the foundation of the truth of the Gospel. It upholds and preserves the truth revealed by CHRIST and the apostles by recovering and obeying it, hiding it in heart, proclaiming it as and demonstrating its power in the HOLY SPIRIT.

CSI Almanac – 3rd July 2024, Wednesday

THOMAS, APOSTLE OF INDIA

Old Testament Reading:

Isaiah 52: 7 – 15

Psalms Reading:

Psalms 29

Epistle Reading:

2Timothy 3: 10 – 17

Gospel Reading:

John 20: 24 – 29

Collect:

Almighty and eternal GOD, who, for the firmer foundation of our faith, allowed Your holy apostle Thomas to doubt the resurrection of Your SON till word and sight convinced him: grant to us, who have not seen, that we also may believe, through JESUS CHRIST our LORD, who lives and reigns with YOU and the HOLY SPIRIT, one GOD, world without end.

Amen.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 4th July 2024

Morning

Psalms- 15; 16

Old Testament- Judges 8: 18 – 35

New Testament- 1 Timothy 5: 1 – 8

Evening

Psalms- 17

Old Testament- Judges 9: 1 – 15

New Testament- 1 Timothy 5: 9 – 16

Quiz for 4th July 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 15 – 17

1) Whose sorrows will multiply...Reference...?

Judges 8: 18 – 9: 15

2) Who was Jerubbaal...?

1 Timothy 5: 1 – 16

3) Advice for...?

Verses for 4th July 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 15 – 17

Psalms 16: 2

My goodness extendeth not to thee.

Apart from GOD, the psalmist sees no meaning in life and no personal happiness. Nothing in his life is good if the LORD's presence and blessing are absent. Paul expressed this same truth when he said- **For me to live is CHRIST.**

OLD TESTAMENT



Judges 8: 18 – 9: 15

Judges 9: 4 & 5

Abimelech ...slew his brethren. Threescore and ten persons.

The great tragedy of Gideon's family was result of Gideon's polygamy. His concubine in Shechem gave birth to Abimelech, who later killed 70 of his brothers. Gideon had leadership ability on the battlefield, but not in his home. GOD on the other hand, places great importance on the family. Under the new covenant, HE commands that no one be appointed as an overseer of GOD's people who cannot manage himself or his household well.

NEW TESTAMENT



1 Timothy 5: 1 – 16

1 Timothy 5: 5

She ...in...Prayers night and day.

Widows who have given themselves to the supreme work of prayer should receive recognition and help from the church. One is reminded of Anna, who departed not from the temple, but served GOD with fasting and prayers night and day. Early church called such a widow the intercessor of the church the keeper of the door and the altar of GOD.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 5th July 2024

Morning

Psalms- 18: 1 – 24

Old Testament- Judges 9: 16 – 35

New Testament- 1 Timothy 5: 17 – 25

Evening

Psalms- 18: 25 – 50

Old Testament- Judges 9: 36 – 57

New Testament- 1 Timothy 6: 1 – 2

Quiz for 5th July 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 18

1) Overcoming the world and worldliness...Reference...?

Judges 9: 16 – 57

2) How did Abimelech die...Reference...?

1 Timothy 5: 17 – 6: 2

3) Who are worthy of double honour...Reference...?

Verses for 5th July 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 18

Psalms 18: 29 – 50

When we praise for one mercy, we must observe the many more, with which we have been compassed all our days.

Many things had contributed to David's advancement, and he owns the hand of GOD in them all, to teach us to do likewise.

In verse 32, and the following verses, are the gifts of GOD to the spiritual warrior, whereby he is prepared for the contest, after the example of his victorious Leader.

Learn that we must seek release being made through CHRIST, otherwise shall be rejected like David, we behold out of trouble through CHRIST.

The prayer put up without reconciliation through JESUS our Redeemer, conflicting with enemies, compassed with sorrows and with floods of ungodly men, enduring not only the pains of death, but the wrath of GOD for us; yet calling upon the FATHER with strong cries and tears; rescued from the grave; proceeding to reconcile, or to put under HIS feet all other enemies, till death, the last enemy, shall be destroyed.

We should love the LORD, who is our Strength and our Salvation; we should call on HIM in every trouble, and praise HIM for every deliverance; we should aim to walk with HIM in all righteousness and true holiness, keeping from sin. If we belong to HIM, HE conquers and reigns for us, and we shall conquer and reign through HIM, and partake of the mercy of our anointed King, which is promised to all HIS seed for evermore. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT



Judges 9: 16 – 57

Judges 9: 23

GOD sent an evil spirit.

GOD used demonic spirits to punish Abimelech and the men of Shechem for the murder of Gideon's sons'. The evil spirit caused strife and mistrust.

NEW TESTAMENT



1 Timothy 5: 17 – 6: 2

1 Timothy 5: 22

Lay hands suddenly on no one.

No one is to be ordained hastily. That is proper evaluation should be made and Scriptural guidance obeyed and followed to meet GOD's standard. Must have history of faithfulness.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 6th July 2024

Morning

Psalms- 19; 20

Old Testament- Judges 10: 1 – 18

New Testament- 1 Timothy 6: 3 – 10

Evening

Psalms- 21

Old Testament- Judges 11: 1 – 11

New Testament- 1 Timothy 6: 11 – 16

Verses for 6th July 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 19 – 21

Psalms 19: 12

Cleanse thou me from secret faults.

Sincere believers endeavour to love and serve GOD with all their hearts. Because they are still imperfect in this life, however they may fall short of GOD's will without knowing it thus need to seek GOD's forgiveness for their errors and hidden faults. On the other hand, presumptuous or wilful sins are the great transgression that involves GOD and HIS WORD and the loss of a place in HIS kingdom.

OLD TESTAMENT



Judges 10: 1 – 11: 11

Judges 10: 16

HIS soul was grieved for the misery of Israel.

Although the Israelites justly deserved the affliction and suffering they were undergoing. GOD was still deeply moved by their misery their plight grieved HIS heart. GOD's tender mercies are available to all who have sinned and who truly repent and seek GOD's forgiveness, and restore a place of fellowship and blessings.

NEW TESTAMENT

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1 Timothy 6: 3 – 16

1 Timothy 6: 8

Let us be herewith content.

Believers should be content with the basics of food, clothing and shelter. If special financial needs arise, we must look to GOD to provide, while we continue to work, help those in need and serve GOD with generous giving. Believers are not to be driven by a desire to get rich, as the love of money is a root of all evil.

STEWARDSHIP: TRANSPARENCY AND ACCOUNTABILITY

(Stewardship Sunday)

Morning Scripture Reading:

Exodus 36: 2 – 7

Psalms 116: 12 – 19

Philippians 4: 10 – 20

Luke 19: 11 – 27

Evening Scripture Reading:

2 Kings 12: 1 – 6 /

Acts 5: 1 – 11

Collect:

GOD the source of all resources, we realize that YOU have bestowed upon us every visible and invisible resource expecting it to be made use for the extension of YOUR kingdom. Help us to be grateful to YOU for the confidence and the trust YOU have conferred on us in doing so. Grant us the strength to fulfil the duty of stewardship in utilizing the resource of that YOU have entrusted upon us to care for others that this trust may bear fruits. We pray that we will be blessed with multiples of resources. This we ask in the name of our LORD and SAVIOUR JESUS CHRIST who lives and reigns with YOU and the HOLY SPIRIT, one GOD, now an ever.

Amen.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 8th July 2024

Morning

Psalms- 25; 26

Old Testament- Judges 11: 12 – 28

New Testament- 1 Timothy 6: 17 – 21

Evening

Psalms- 27; 28

Old Testament- Judges 11: 29 – 40

New Testament- 2 Timothy 1: 1 – 5

Quiz for 8th July 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 25 – 28

1) Salvation reference...Reference...?

Judges 11: 12 – 40

2) HOLY SPIRIT...Reference...?

1 Timothy 6: 17 – 21 and 2 Timothy 1: 1 – 5

3) Paul attributes Timothy's steadfast faith inherited from...?

Verses for 8th July 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 25 – 28

Psalms 26: 8

I have loved the habitation of THY house.

The psalmist's happiness does not come from associating with the world but from being in the house and congregation of the LORD where GOD's presence and power are manifested among His people where GOD's glory dwells.

OLD TESTAMENT



Judges 11: 12 – 40

Judges 11: 29 – 40

Several important lessons are to be learned from Jephthah's vow.

1. There may be remainders of distrust and doubting, even in the hearts of true and great believers.
2. Our vows to GOD should not be as a purchase of the favour we desire, but to express gratitude to HIM.
3. We need to be very well-advised in making vows, lest we entangle ourselves.
4. What we have solemnly vowed to GOD, we must perform, if it be possible and lawful, though it be difficult and grievous to us.
5. It well becomes children, obediently and cheerfully to submit to their parents in the LORD.

It is hard to say what Jephthah did in performance of his vow; but it is thought that he did not offer his daughter as a burnt-offering. Such a sacrifice would have been an abomination to the LORD; it is supposed she was obliged to remain unmarried, and apart from her family. Concerning this and some other such passages in the sacred history, about which learned men are divided and in doubt, we need not perplex ourselves; what is necessary to our salvation, thanks be to GOD, is plain enough. If the reader recollects the promise of CHRIST concerning the teaching of the HOLY SPIRIT, and places HIMSELF under this HEAVENLY TEACHER, the HOLY GHOST will guide to all truth in every passage, so far as it is needful to be understood.

NEW TESTAMENT

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1 Timothy 6: 17 – 21 and 2 Timothy 1: 1 – 5

2 Timothy 1: 4

Greatly desiring to see thee.

For the second time, Paul is now a prisoner in Rome. This time Paul is anticipating execution. He has been forsaken by many of his friends and is longing to see Timothy once more. He begs his co-worker to remain faithful to the truth of the gospel and to hurry to come to him during his last days on earth.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 9th July 2024

Morning

Psalms- 29; 30

Old Testament- Judges 12: 1 – 16

New Testament- 2 Timothy 1: 6 – 11

Evening

Psalms- 31

Old Testament- Judges 13: 1 – 14

New Testament- 2 Timothy 1: 12 – 18

Quiz for 9th July 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 29 – 31

- 1) Old Testament Prophecy and New Testament fulfilment...?

Judges 12: 1 – 13: 14

- 2) Shall be a Nazarite...meaning...?

2 Timothy 1: 6 – 18

- 3) Witnessing...Reference...?

Verses for 9th July 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 29 – 31

Psalms 30: 6

In my prosperity... I shall never be moved.

Secure in his prosperity, the psalmist assumed that his wealth and success made him so strong that nothing could destroy his happiness. GOD then withdrew HIS protective hand and brought serious trouble and helplessness into his life, causing him to experience the need for GOD's continual care and presence. All believers

who feel secure in themselves, who rely on temporal things, and who give GOD and HIS kingdom anything but first place are warned by the words of this psalm.

OLD TESTAMENT



Judges 12: 1 – 13: 14

Judges 13: 1
The Philistines.

A great movement of Philistines migrated to the south coast of Canaan about 1200 B.C. They became the Principal enemy of the Hebrews during the years 1200 to 1000 B.C. Because of their ability to make iron weapons, they possessed a military advantage over Israel.

NEW TESTAMENT

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2 Timothy 1: 6 – 18

2 Timothy 1: 6
Stir up the.....of GOD.

The gift given to Timothy is compared to a fire that he must fan into a flame. The gift was probably a special anointing and power from the HOLY SPIRIT to fulfil his ministry. Note that the gifts and power bestowed on us by the SPIRIT do not automatically remain strong and vital. They must be fuelled by the grace of GOD through our prayer, faith, obedience and diligence.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 10th July 2024

Morning

Psalms- 33

Old Testament- Judges 13: 15 – 25

New Testament- 2 Timothy 2: 1 – 7

Evening

Psalms- 32

Old Testament- Judges 14: 1 – 9

New Testament- 2 Timothy 2: 8 – 13

Quiz for 10th July 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 32 & 33

1) A prayer during distress...psalm number...?

Judges 13: 15 – 14: 9

2) How did Samson kill the lion ...Reference...?

2 Timothy 2: 1 – 13

3) Endure hardship as a ...?

Verses for 10th July 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 32 & 33

Psalms 32: 2

Imputeth not iniquity.

GOD treats sincerely repentant sinners as righteous, not because righteousness is something they earn through works, but rather receive as a gift when they confess their sins and believe in the LORD.

OLD TESTAMENT



Judges 13: 15 – 14: 9

Judges 14: 6
SPIRIT of the LORD.

Samson's great physical strength was not his own but was resulted from the SPIRIT coming upon him.

Under the new covenant the HOLY SPIRIT also comes upon believers, though not to make us physically strong rather, the HOLY SPIRIT empowers us to live and witness for CHRIST.

NEW TESTAMENT



2 Timothy 2: 1 – 13

2 Timothy 2: 13
He abideth faithful.

CHRIST JESUS will most certainly carry out both HIS promises to us and HIS warnings. Divine faithfulness is a comfort for those who remain loyal and a solemn warning for those who depart from the faith.

GOD is faithful to HIS Word.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 11th July 2024

Morning

Psalms- 34

Old Testament- Judges 14: 10 – 20

New Testament- 2 Timothy 2: 14 – 21

Evening

Psalms- 35

Old Testament- Judges 15: 1 – 20

New Testament- 2 Timothy 2: 22 – 26

Quiz for 11th July 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 34 and 35

- 1) Familiar Hymn based on one of the Psalms...?

Judges 14: 10 – 15: 20

- 2) How many years did Samson judge Israel...Reference...?

2 Timothy 2: 14 – 26

- 3) How must the servant of GOD conduct themselves...Reference...?

Verses for 11th July 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 34 and 35

Psalms 34: 7

The angel of the LORD encampeth round about.

The angel of the LORD refers to the angelic host of heaven, they are ministering spirits, sent forth to minister for them who shall be heirs of salvation. GOD has appointed His angels to protect and rescue His saints from physical and spiritual harm. This promise of divine intervention is reserved for those who truly fear GOD.

OLD TESTAMENT



Judges 14: 10 – 15: 20

Judges 15: 7

Yet will I be avenged of you.

Samson's fight with the Philistines was primarily motivated by personal anger and revenge rather than by concern for GOD's deliverance of the Hebrew people. This selfishness and lack of commitment to GOD eventually led to his ruin.

NEW TESTAMENT



2 Timothy 2: 14 – 26

2 Timothy 2: 19

Foundations of GOD standeth sure.

Despite the fact that many may stray from the truth and false teachers may make inroads into the church, the purpose of GOD for His faithful followers cannot be thwarted. The foundation of GOD the true church cannot be destroyed. GOD knows those who remain true to HIS original gospel, and those who compromise its truths. Those who truly belong to GOD turn away from wickedness and false teaching.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 12th July 2024

Morning

Psalms- 36 and 37: 1 – 11

Old Testament- Judges 16: 1 – 14

New Testament- 2 Timothy 3: 1 – 9

Evening

Psalms- 37: 12 – 40

Old Testament- Judges 16: 15 – 22

New Testament- 2 Timothy 3: 10 – 17

Quiz for 12th July 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 36 and 37

1) Overcoming the world and worldliness...Reference...?

Judges 16: 1 – 22

2) Who beguiled Samson, leading to loosing his strength...?

2 Timothy 3: 1 – 17

3) Salvation...Reference...?

Verses for 12th July 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 36 and 37

Psalms 37: 6

He shall bring forth thy righteousness as the light.

The righteous who are oppressed by sin in the world are promised answers to their prayers, vindication of their righteous standards, a heavenly inheritance, the LORD's sustaining help, the LORD's guidance, protection and salvation.

OLD TESTAMENT



Judges 16: 1 – 22

Judges 16: 20

The LORD had departed from him.

Samson is an example to those believers who think that GOD will remain with them even while they continue in sinful and immoral conduct. The LORD departed from this judge because of his continued disobedience.

This passage strongly warns us that it is possible for the LORD to depart from a persistently sinful person without him or her realising it.

NEW TESTAMENT



2 Timothy 3: 1 – 17

2 Timothy 3: 16 – 17

All scripture is given by inspiration of GOD.

The psalmist states that GOD exalts two things above all else. HIS name and HIS Word.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 13th July 2024

Morning

Psalms- 38

Old Testament- Judges 16: 23 – 31

New Testament- 2 Timothy 4: 1 – 8

Evening

Psalms- 39

Old Testament- Judges 17: 1 – 13

New Testament- 2 Timothy 4: 9 – 16

Verses for 13th July 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 38 and 39

Psalms 38: 21

Be not far from me.

One terrible consequence of wilful sin is the loss of GOD's fellowship and the sense of HIS presence. It is a grievous and bitter experience to commit wilful sin after knowing the mercy of GOD and the indwelling of the HOLY SPIRIT.

OLD TESTAMENT



Judges 16: 23 – 17: 13

Judges 16: 28

Samson called unto the LORD.

Samson, now with a repentant spirit and a renewed faith in GOD called upon the LORD, and his prayer was answered. This final heroic demonstration of Samson's faith resulted in his inclusion among heroes of faith.

NEW TESTAMENT

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2 Timothy 4: 1 – 16

2 Timothy 4: 8

Them...that love his appearing.

New Testament believers had an intense longing for the LORD's return to take them from earth to be with His forever. A distinctive mark of GOD's people is that they long for JESUS, do not feel at home in this world and are looking forward to being with HIM in their heavenly home.

THEOLOGICAL EDUCATION: KNOWING AND DOING FAITH

(Theological Education Sunday)

Morning Scripture Reading:

Exodus 3: 1 – 12

Psalms 111

2 Timothy 2: 1 – 13

John 12: 20 – 26

Evening Scripture Reading:

Exodus 23: 23 – 33 /

Acts 8: 26 – 40

Collect:

Almighty GOD, in JESUS YOU have called common people to be your servants to love life eternal and overcome zeal for worldly life; as a wheat grain falls into the earth and dies and bears much fruit. **Grant us wisdom and knowledge to read, mediate and interpret Your Holy Word.** Continue to grant YOUR guidance and inspiration that **many young people may be trained theologically;** fill with YOUR SPIRIT that both students and theological teachers **may exercise their faith to establish justice, righteousness and peace** through JESUS CHRIST, who lives and reigns with YOU in unity with the HOLY SPIRIT, one GOD, now and forever.

Amen.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 15th July 2024

Morning

Psalms- 44

Old Testament- Judges 18: 1 – 15

New Testament- 2 Timothy 4: 17 – 22

Evening

Psalms- 42 and 43

Old Testament- Judges 18: 16 – 31

New Testament- Titus 1: 1 – 4

Quiz for 15th July 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 42; 43 and 44

1) A plea for judgement...Psalms number...?

Judges 18: 1 – 31

2) Folly of Danites and Micah...?

2 Timothy 4: 17 – 22 and Titus 1: 1 – 4

3) In hope of...? Reference...?

Verses for 15th July 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 42; 43 and 44

Psalms 43

David endeavours to still his spirit, with hope and confidence in GOD.

As to the quarrel GOD had with David for sin, he prays, Enter not into judgment with me, if Thou doest so I shall be condemned; but as to the quarrel his enemies had with him, he prays, LORD, judge me, and in THY providence appear on my behalf. If we cannot comfort ourselves in GOD, we may stay ourselves upon HIM, and may have spiritual supports, when we want spiritual delights. HE never cast off any that

trusted in HIM, whatever fears they may have had of their own state. We need desire no more to make us happy, than the good that flow from GOD's favour, and is included in HIS promise. Those whom GOD leads, HE leads to His holy hill; those, therefore, who pretend to be led by the SPIRIT, and yet turn their backs upon ordinance, deceive themselves. We are still to pray for the Spirit of light and truth, who supplies the want of CHRIST's bodily presence, to guide us in the way to heaven. Whatever we rejoice or triumph in, the LORD must be the joy of it. David applies to GOD as his never-failing hope. Let us pray earnestly, that the LORD would send forth the truth of HIS Word, and the light of HIS SPIRIT, to guide us into the way of holiness, peace, and salvation.

The desire of the Christian, like that of the prophet in distress, is to be saved from sin as well as sorrow; to be taught in the way of righteousness by the light of heavenly wisdom, shining in JESUS CHRIST and to be led by this light and truth to the New Jerusalem.

OLD TESTAMENT



Judges 18: 1 – 31

Judges 18: 20

The priest's heart was glad...

The prominence given to the priest emphasises that not only the people but also the sacred ministry had become corrupt. This priest was willing to serve as priest of other gods solely for money and position.

NEW TESTAMENT

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2 Timothy 4: 17 – 22 and Titus 1: 1 – 4

2 Timothy 4: 17

The LORD stood with me...In stressful and lonely times.

Paul experienced the LORD's special nearness as HE stood by him and strengthened him. Likewise CHRIST JESUS intercedes for us and stands with us in our stressful and lonely times. JESUS thereby enables us to be victor's not victims.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 16th July 2024

Morning

Psalms- 45

Old Testament- Judges 19: 1 – 15

New Testament- Titus 1: 5 – 9

Evening

Psalms- 46

Old Testament- Judges 19: 16 – 30

New Testament- Titus 1: 10 – 16

Quiz for 16th July 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 45 and 46

- 1) Old Testament Prophecy and New Testament fulfilment...?

Judges 19: 1 – 30

- 2) Present name of Gibeah...?

Titus 1: 5 – 16

- 3) Who is to be rebuked sharply...Reference...?

Verses for 16th July 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 45 and 46

Psalms 45: 6 – 7

THY throne O GOD, is for ever and ever.

These two verses find their ultimate fulfilment in JESUS CHRIST. The author of Hebrews applies these verses to the exaltation, prominence, authority and character of CHRIST. CHRIST dominion will be for ever and ever.

OLD TESTAMENT



Judges 19: 1 – 30

Judges 19: 1

Concubine.

In the Bible a concubine was a woman lawfully united in marriage to a man, but in a position inferior to that of a regular wife. Nowhere does the Old Testament sanction this polygamous practice.

NEW TESTAMENT



Titus 1: 5 – 16

Titus 1: 15

All things are pure.

At issue here was adherence to Jewish food laws. Some teachers were obsessed with the distinction between pure and impure food. They ignored TRUE moral character, inward purity and outward righteousness.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 17th July 2024

Morning

Psalms- 47 and 48

Old Testament- Judges 20: 1 – 25

New Testament- Titus 2: 2 – 6

Evening

Psalms- 49

Old Testament- Judges 20: 26 – 48

New Testament- Titus 2: 7 – 15

Quiz for 17th July 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 47 to 49

- 1) Overcoming the World and worldliness...Reference...?

Judges 20: 1 – 48

- 2) Who enquired before the ark to go to battle against Benjamin? What was the reply...? Reference?

Titus 2: 2 – 15

- 3) Second coming...Reference...?

Verses for 17th July 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 47 to 49

Psalms 48: 14

GOD...will be our guide even unto death.

The LORD has committed HIMSELF to be the believers' faithful and constant guide throughout life, in the experience of death and beyond death to the eternal home where we will be with HIM forever.

OLD TESTAMENT



Judges 20: 1 – 48

Judges 20: 1

All the children of Israel went out.

Because the tribes of Israel had failed to enforce GOD's law or promote righteousness, the result was the horrible sin and refusal of the Benamites to punish the evil doers. Israel as a whole departed from sincere obedience to GOD's Word, and the Benjamites entered into complete apostasy. Civil war broke out, many thousands were killed and the tribe of Benjamin was almost annihilated.

NEW TESTAMENT



Titus 2: 2 – 15

Titus 2: 11

The grace of GOD.

Saving grace has appeared to all people everywhere, not just to select few, instructs believers to reject ungodly passions, pleasures and values of the present age and regard them as abominable. Commands and empowers believers to live righteously and godly while waiting expectantly for the Blessed hope and appearing of CHRIST JESUS.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 18th July 2024

Morning

Psalms- 50

Old Testament- Judges 21: 1 – 14

New Testament- Titus 3: 1 – 11

Evening

Psalms- 51

Old Testament- Judges 21: 15 – 25

New Testament- Titus 3: 12 – 15

Quiz for 18th July 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 50 and 51

1) HOLY SPIRIT...reference...?

Judges 21: 1 – 25

2) Explain 21: 25 briefly...?

Titus 3: 1 – 15

3) Salvation...Reference...?

Verses for 18th July 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 50 and 51

Psalms 50: 15

Call upon me in the day of trouble.

The LORD invites all faithful believers to call continually upon HIM in times of need and trouble. GOD desires to hear our prayers, to help us and to have HIS name exalted as a GOD who rescues His people.

OLD TESTAMENT



Judges 21: 1 – 25

Judges 21: 10

Smite the inhabitants...with the edge of the sword.

Most of the Israelites in Jabesh- Gilead were killed because they refused to join with Israel in the war against the Benjamites. Their sin was seen in not standing with GOD and His people against the heinous sin committed by some of their brethren.

NEW TESTAMENT



Titus 3: 1 – 15

Titus 3: 5

Washing and regeneration.

This refers to the new birth of believers, symbolically pictured in Christian baptism. Renewing of the HOLY GHOST points to the constant imparting of His life to believers as they surrender their lives to GOD through JESUS CHRIST.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 19th July 2024

Morning

Psalms- 52 and 53

Old Testament- 1 Chronicles 1: 1 – 23

New Testament- John 1: 1 – 13

Evening

Psalms- 54

Old Testament- 1 Chronicles 1: 24 – 34

New Testament- John 1: 14 – 18

Quiz for 19th July 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 52; 53 and 54

1) Prayer of the Christian church...reference...?

1 Chronicles 1: 1 – 34

2) Who are the Patriarchs...?

John 1: 1 – 18

3) Witnessing ...Reference...?

Verses for 19th July 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 52; 53 and 54

Psalms 54: 4

GOD is my helper.

This psalm is an appropriate prayer for the believer facing dangers or imminent disaster. The psalmist calls for help, expecting that GOD will respond in HIS saving, delivering and healing power. Today the LORD sends the HOLY SPIRIT to be our helper on earth and the sustainer of our souls.

OLD TESTAMENT



1 Chronicles 1: 1 – 34

1 Chronicles 1: 1 – 4

Adam, Seth and Enosh

These names are taken from Genesis chapter 5 and show that the Chronicles believed the first chapters of Genesis to be reliable history and not legend.

NEW TESTAMENT



John 1: 1 – 18

John 1: 5

Light shineth in darkness.

The light of CHRIST shines in an evil and sinful world controlled by Satan. The majority of the world has not accepted HIS life or light, but the darkness has not comprehended it.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 20th July 2024

Morning

Psalms- 55

Old Testament- 1 Chronicles 1: 35 – 54

New Testament- John 1: 19 – 28

Evening

Psalms- 56

Old Testament- 1 Chronicles 2: 1 – 17

New Testament- John 1: 29 – 34

Verses for 20th July 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 55 and 56

Psalms 56: 4

I will praise his word.

In times of fear and trouble, we should praise GOD for HIS righteous commandments, HIS promises and every sentence HE pronounces in all of Scripture. As we place our trust in GOD and HIS written Word, trust replaces fear and GOD becomes our helper and deliverer. Remember the truth - GOD is for me.

OLD TESTAMENT



1 Chronicles 1: 35 – 2: 17

1 Chronicles 2: 1

The sons of Israel.

Through the sons of Israel came the chosen people, through whom GOD had determined to bless all families of the earth. The genealogy of Judah is placed first

among the tribes, because the main stream of redemption history flowed through it, and particularly through David and his descendants, to the MESSIAH.

NEW TESTAMENT

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John 1: 19 – 34

John 1: 29

Lamb of GOD.

JESUS is the Lamb provided by GOD to be sacrificed in the place of sinners. By HIS death, JESUS provided for the removal of the guilt and power of sin and opened the way to GOD for all in the world.

ORDAINED MINISTRY: MARKED BY THE WOUNDS OF CHRIST

Morning Scripture Reading:

1 Samuel 22: 12 – 23

Psalms 56

Galatians 6: 11 – 18

John 21: 15 – 19

Evening Scripture Reading:

Leviticus 10: 16 – 20 /

2 Timothy 2: 1 – 13

Collect:

GOD our rock and refuge, we thank YOU for the gift of the Church. We praise you for the diverse ministries carried out through the Body of CHRIST, by the empowerment of GOD the HOLY SPIRIT. We pray that the ordained servants of yours be faithful and truthful to their commitment in their service, to the congregation. Let these your servants be watchful to live as CHRIST lived so that they can be a Good Shepherd to their flock in guiding and guarding in all their endeavours. Let their ministry bring Glory to YOUR holy name, through JESUS CHRIST our LORD.

Amen.

CSI Almanac – 22nd July 2024, Monday

MARY MAGDALENE

Old Testament Reading:

Zephaniah 3: 14 – 20

Psalms Reading:

Psalms 116: 1 – 16

Epistle Reading:

2 John 1: 1 – 13

Gospel Reading:

John 20: 11 – 18

Collect:

Almighty GOD, whose blessed SON restored Mary Magdalene to health of body and mind, and made her the first witness of HIS resurrection; mercifully forgive our sins and renew us by YOUR grace, that we may evermore serve YOU with true devotion; through the risen LORD JESUS CHRIST our LORD, who lives and reigns with YOU and the HOLY SPIRIT, one GOD, now and ever.

Amen.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 24th July 2024

Morning

Psalms- 66

Old Testament- 1 Chronicles 4: 1 – 10

New Testament- John 3: 1 – 8

Evening

Psalms- 67

Old Testament- 1 Chronicles 4: 11 – 23

New Testament- John 3: 9 – 21

Quiz for 24th July 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 66 and 67

1) Witnessing psalm...?

1 Chronicles 4: 1 – 23

2) Who prayed to GOD, mention the supplications... and result...?

John 3: 1 – 21

3) GOD's gift to humanity...Reference...?

Verses for 24th July 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 66 and 67

Psalms 66: 18

If I regard iniquity in my heart.

Those who take pleasure in unrighteousness have no hope of answered prayer when they call on GOD. GOD wants us separated from sin, only then will HE respond to us as a Father to a son.

OLD TESTAMENT



1 Chronicles 4: 1 – 23

1 Chronicles 4: 10

Jabez called on the GOD of Israel.

The righteous example of Jabez stresses the truth that GOD blesses those who faithfully call upon HIM. Note that Jabez was more honourable than his brethren. Jabez's life and prayer demonstrate how GOD delights to bless those who call upon HIM in faith and earnestly seek HIS favour. Jabez's four part prayer is a model for all believers. He earnestly desired GOD's favour and blessing. He Petitioned GOD to enlarge his territory. He asked that GOD's hand would be with him in all spheres of His life and He asked GOD to keep him from evil or harm so that he would not be a cause of pain to GOD, himself or others. GOD heard Jabez's prayer and granted him that which he requested. We can be assured this is the prayer that GOD delights to answer.

NEW TESTAMENT



John 3: 1 – 21

John 3: 16

GOD so loved the world.

This verse reveals the heart and purpose of GOD. GOD's love is wide enough to embrace all persons.

GOD gave HIS SON as an offering for sin on the cross. The atonement proceeds from the loving heart of GOD. It was not something forced on HIM.

To believe includes three main elements

- a) A sure conviction that JESUS CHRIST is GOD's SON and the only SAVIOUR for lost humanity.
- b) A fully assured trust in CHRIST that HE is both able and willing to bring you to final salvation and to fellowship with GOD in heaven.
- c) A self-surrendering fellowship with and obedience to CHRIST.

JAMES, APOSTLE AND MARTYR

Old Testament Reading:

Jeremiah 26: 10 – 15

Psalms Reading:

Psalms 16

Epistle Reading:

Acts 11: 27 – 12: 3

Gospel Reading:

Mark 10: 35 – 45

Collect:

Merciful GOD, we pray that, as YOUR holy apostle James left his father and all that he had and obeyed the call of YOUR SON JESUS CHRIST, so we may forsake every selfish desire and be ready at all times to accomplish the work that You would have us do; through JESUS CHRIST our LORD, who lives and reigns with YOU and the HOLY SPIRIT, one GOD, now and ever.

Amen.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 26th July 2024

Morning

Psalms- 70 and 71: 1 – 16

Old Testament- 1 Chronicles 5: 11 – 26

New Testament- John 4: 1 – 10

Evening

Psalms- 71: 17 – 24

Old Testament- 1 Chronicles 6: 1 – 15

New Testament- John 4: 11 – 21

Quiz for 26th July 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 70 and 71

1) A prayer of an aged man...?

1 Chronicles 5: 11 – 6: 15

2) Who transgressed against the GOD of their fathers...?

John 4: 1 – 21

3) Witnessing ...Reference...?

Verses for 26th July 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 70 and 71

Psalms 71

I put my trust.

This psalm contains a prayer by an older person who faces troubles and needs GOD's help to rescue him from his enemies and affliction. He has walked in GOD's ways since childhood and experienced exceptional troubles in life, yet he has maintained his faith and confidence in GOD. He is determined to live the rest of his life with the confidence that GOD will manifest HIS power and goodness in his life.

OLD TESTAMENT



1 Chronicles 5: 11 – 6: 15

1 Chronicles 6: 1

The sons of Levi.

Chapter 6 gives the descendants of Levi, the line of high priests, down to the captivity, and lists the Levitical cities. GOD had chosen the sons of Levi for spiritual service in the tabernacle and in the temple. This chapter points to the importance of true worship according to the instruction of GOD.

NEW TESTAMENT



John 4: 1 – 21

John 4: 7

Woman of Samaria.

JESUS conversation with the Samaritan woman reveals HIS commitment to HIS HEAVENLY FATHER's purpose and HIS own inner desire to bring this person to eternal life. JESUS consuming passion was to save the lost, a goal infinitely more important to HIM than food and drink. We must follow JESUS example. All around us people are ready to hear GOD's Word, we must find ways to speak to them about their spiritual need and about JESUS who can meet that need.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 27th July 2024

Morning

Psalms- 72

Old Testament- 1 Chronicles 6: 16 – 47

New Testament- John 4: 22 – 30

Evening

Psalms- 73

Old Testament- 1 Chronicles 6: 48 – 63

New Testament- John 4: 31 – 42

Verses for 27th July 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 72 and 73

Psalms 72: 18 – 20

We are taught to bless GOD in CHRIST, for all HE has done for us by HIM.

David is earnest in prayer for the fulfilment of this prophecy and promise. It is sad to think how empty the earth is of the glory of GOD, how little service and honour he has from a world to which he is so bountiful. May we, like David, submit to CHRIST's authority, and partake of HIS righteousness and peace. May we bless HIM for the wonders of redeeming love. May we spend our days, and end our lives, praying for the spread of HIS gospel.

OLD TESTAMENT



1 Chronicles 6: 16 – 63

1 Chronicles 6: 32

Ministered...with singing...

Worshiping GOD in song is a form of ministry to him and something with which He is well pleased. Music is one way to express our love and affection, adoration, faith hope, praise and joy to GOD.

NEW TESTAMENT

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John 4: 22 – 42

John 4: 36

Fruit unto life eternal.

Those who bring others to saving faith in JESUS CHRIST, they are doing something of eternal consequences. They will one day rejoice in heaven over those who were saved because of their prayers and their witness. At the same time they must understand that their work is often a reaping to the labours of others. All the fruitful ministry we have for GOD is in large part the result of the sacrificial labour of CHRIST and others.

HONOUR MARRIAGE

Morning Scripture Reading:

Malachi 2: 13 – 16

Psalms 45

1 Corinthians 13: 1 – 14: 1

Mark 10: 2 – 9

Evening Scripture Reading:

Song of Songs 4: 9 – 16 /

Hebrews 13: 1 – 6

Collect:

O GOD our HEAVENLY FATHER, YOU have instituted marriage and blessed the earth with families to fulfil YOUR purpose. May all husband and wife glorify YOUR name as they reflect the sacrificial love of JESUS CHRIST, and honour YOU as they live in joyful humility. Teach them the fear of the LORD that they may always drink from their own cisterns and so preserve the sanctity of marriage; fill their cup of life with agape love that they may always rejoice in the blessedness of marriage, through JESUS CHRIST our LORD, who lives and reigns with YOU in the unity of the HOLY SPIRIT, one GOD, now and ever.

Amen.

MARTHA, MARY AND LAZARUS OF BETHANY: COMPANIONS OF OUR LORD

Scripture Readings:

Luke 10: 38 – 42

John 11: 1 – 27

Collect:

O GOD, who gave us the gift of home and family, come and stay with us as you did through YOUR SON in Bethany with Martha, Mary and Lazarus. Help us experience YOUR abiding presence, loving kindness and the power of YOUR resurrection. By YOUR grace make us constant in devotion, loyal in love, lovely in life, firm in resolution, and courageous in action even in the midst of sorrows and adversities; through the same JESUS CHRIST our LORD, who lives and reigns with YOU in the unity of the HOLY SPIRIT, one GOD, now and forever.

Amen.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 29th July 2024

Morning

Psalms- 76

Old Testament- 1 Chronicles 6: 64 – 81

New Testament- John 4: 43 – 54

Evening

Psalms- 77

Old Testament- 1 Chronicles 7: 1 – 19

New Testament- John 5: 1 – 9

Quiz for 29th July 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 76 and 77

1) Briefly explain Psalm 76 verse 10...?

1 Chronicles 6: 64 – 7: 19

2) Who gave land to the Levites...?

John 4: 43 – 5: 9

3) Healing ...Reference...?

Verses for 29th July 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 76 and 77

Psalms 76: 7 – 12

GOD's people are the meek of the earth, the quiet in the land that suffer wrong, but do none. The righteous GOD seems to keep silence long, yet, sooner or later he will make judgment to be heard. We live in an angry, provoking world; we often feel much, and are apt to fear more, from the wrath of man. What will not turn to HIS praise, shall not be suffered to break out. HE can set bounds to the wrath of man, as HE does to the raging sea; hitherto it shall come, and no further. Let all submit to GOD, our prayers and praises, and especially our hearts, are the presents we should

bring to the LORD. HIS name is glorious, and HE is the proper object of our fear. HE shall cut off the spirit of princes; HE shall slip it off easily, as we slip off a flower from the stalk, or a bunch of grapes from the vine; so the word signifies. HE can dispirit the most daring: since there is no contending with GOD, it is our wisdom, as it is our duty, to submit to HIM. Let us seek HIS favour as our portion, and commit all our concerns to HIM.

OLD TESTAMENT



1 Chronicles 6: 64 – 7: 19

We have here an account of the Levites' cities. They are here called their castles (1 Chronicles 6: 54), not only because walled and fortified, and well-guarded by the country (for it is the interest of every nation to protect its ministers), but because they and their possessions were, in a particular manner, the care of the divine providence: as GOD was their portion, so GOD was their protection; and a cottage will be a castle to those that abide under the shadow of the Almighty.

This account is much the same with that which we had, Joshua 21. We need not be critical in comparing them (what good will it do us?) nor will it do any hurt to the credit of the holy scripture if the names of some of the places be not spelt just the same here as they were there. We know it is common for cities to have several names. Sarum and Salisbury, Salop and Shrewsbury, are more unlike than Hilen (1 Chronicles 6: 58) and Holon (Joshua 21:15), Ashan (1 Chronicles 6: 59) and Ain (Joshua 21:16), Alemeth (1 Chronicles 6: 60) and Almon (Joshua 21:18); and time changes names.

We are only to observe that in this appointment of cities for the Levites, GOD took care,

1. For the accomplishment of dying Jacob's prediction concerning this tribe, that it should be scattered in Israel, Genesis 49:7.
2. For the diffusing of the knowledge of himself and his law to all parts of the land of Israel. Every tribe had Levites' cities in it; and so every room was furnished with a candle, so that none could be ignorant of his duty but it was either his own fault or the Levites'.
3. For a comfortable maintenance for those that ministered in holy things. Besides their tithes and offerings, they had glebe-lands and cities of their own to dwell in.

Some of the most considerable cities of Israel fell to the Levites' lot. Every tribe had benefit by the Levites, and therefore every tribe must contribute to their support. Let him that is taught in the word communicate to him that teacheth, and do it cheerfully.

NEW TESTAMENT

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John 4: 43 – 5: 9

John 4: 48

Signs and Wonders.

Signs and wonders are an authentic and important part of proclaiming the kingdom of GOD. However, our faith must not be centered on them but on JESUS CHRIST, to whom they bear witness. We must believe in JESUS CHRIST because of who HE is, GOD'S SON, our LORD and SAVIOUR. JESUS must be worshipped and esteemed because of HIS love, mercy and righteous character, not just for what HE can do for us in a physical or material way. Signs, wonders and miracles must lead to a deep attachment to the LORD and to a greater faith in HIM.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 30th July 2024

Morning

Psalms- 78: 1 – 16

Old Testament- 1 Chronicles 7: 20 – 40

New Testament- John 5: 10 – 18

Evening

Psalms- 78: 17 – 39

Old Testament- 1 Chronicles 8: 1 – 28

New Testament- John 5: 19 – 29

Quiz for 30th July 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 78: 1 – 39

1) Old Testament and New Testament Fulfilment...?

1 Chronicles 7: 20 – 8: 28

2) Family of Asher how many mighty men of war were there...?

John 5: 10 – 29

3) Who will have everlasting life...Reference...?

Verses for 30th July 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 78: 1 – 39

Psalms 78: 5

They should make them known to their children.

Teaching our children the godly principles and precepts of GOD's Word is not optional. It is a commandment, He has given to His people. What GOD commands, HE gives grace to fulfil.

OLD TESTAMENT



1 Chronicles 7: 20 – 8: 28

1 Chronicles 8 Genealogies.

Here is a larger list of Benjamin's tribe. We may suppose that many things in these genealogies, which to us seem difficult, abrupt, and perplexed, were plain and easy at that time, and fully answered the intention for which they were published. Many great and mighty nations then were in being upon earth, and many illustrious men, whose names are now wholly forgotten; while the names of multitudes of the Israel of God are here kept in everlasting remembrance. The memory of the just is blessed.

NEW TESTAMENT



John 5: 10 – 29

John 5: 24 Not come into condemnation.

Condemnation is used in the sense of condemnation to eternal death. Believers will not be condemned with the world. This does not refer to their future accountability and judgement concerning their faithfulness to GOD's grace given to them while on earth.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 31st July 2024

Morning

Psalms- 78: 40 – 55

Old Testament- 1 Chronicles 8: 29 – 40

New Testament- John 5: 30 – 40

Evening

Psalms- 78: 56 – 72

Old Testament- 1 Chronicles 9: 1 – 16

New Testament- John 5: 41 – 47

Quiz for 31st July 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 78: 40 – 72

1) Which tribe and whom did GOD choose to lead Israel...reference...?

1 Chronicles 8: 29 – 9: 16

2) Exiled due to transgressions...reference...?

John 5: 30 – 47

3) Who wrote about JESUS in Old Testament ...Reference...?

Verses for 31st July 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 78: 40 – 72

Psalms 78: 40 – 55

Let not those that receive mercy from GOD, be thereby made bold to sin, for the mercies they receive will hasten its punishment; yet let not those who are under Divine rebukes for sin, be discouraged from repentance. The HOLY ONE of Israel will do what is most for HIS own glory, and what is most for their good. Their forgetting former favours, led them to limit GOD for the future. GOD made His own people to go forth like sheep; and guided them in the wilderness, as a shepherd His flock, with

all care and tenderness. Thus the true Joshua, even JESUS, brings HIS church out of the wilderness; but no earthly Canaan, no worldly advantages, should make us forget that the church is in the wilderness while in this world, and that there remaineth a far more glorious rest for the people of GOD.

OLD TESTAMENT



1 Chronicles 8: 29 – 9: 16

1 Chronicles 9: 1

All Israel.

Chapter 9 is concerned with the community of GOD's people after their return from exile in Babylon, emphasizing their continuity with Israel before the exile. This first verse gives the reason for their captivity while rest of the chapter deals with the priests, Levites and the Nethinims (temple servants) whom GOD appointed to restore the true order of worship that had been lost during the captivity.

NEW TESTAMENT



John 5: 30 – 47

John 5: 47

If ye believe not his writings.

This passage is important in establishing JESUS view of the Old Testament. HE indeed believed that Moses wrote the Pentateuch. The lesson the Jews needed, and one we need today.

August 2024

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 1st August 2024

Morning

Psalms- 79: 1 – 5 & 8 – 13

Old Testament- 1 Chronicles 9: 17 – 34

New Testament- John 6: 1 – 14

Evening

Psalms- 80

Old Testament- 1 Chronicles 9: 35 – 44

New Testament- John 6: 15 – 21

Quiz for 1st August 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 79: 1 – 5 & 8 – 13 and Psalm 80

1) A call to GOD for help...Psalm number...?

1 Chronicles 9: 17 – 44

2) Who were responsible for the treasure chambers...reference...?

John 6: 1 – 21

3) How many miracles are recorded in this portion...?

Verses for 1st August 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 79: 1 – 5 & 8 – 13 and Psalm 80

Psalms 79: 1 – 5

GOD is complained to: whither should children go but to a Father able and willing to help them? See what a change sin made in the holy city, when the heathen were suffered to pour in upon them. GOD's own people defiled it by their sins, therefore he suffered their enemies to defile it by their insolence. They desired that GOD would be reconciled. Those who desire GOD's favour as better than life, cannot but dread his wrath as worse than death. In every affliction we should first beseech the

LORD to cleanse away the guilt of our sins; then HE will visit us with HIS tender mercies.

OLD TESTAMENT



1 Chronicles 9: 17 – 44

1 Chronicles 9: 16 – 27

This chapter expresses that one end of recording all these genealogies was, to direct the Jews, when they returned out of captivity, with whom to unite, and where to reside. Here is an account of the good state into which the affairs of religion were put, on the return from Babylon. Everyone knew his charge. Work is likely to be done well when everyone knows the duty of his place, and makes a business of it. GOD is the GOD of order. Thus was the temple a figure of the heavenly one, where they rest not day nor night from praising GOD, Revelation 4:8. Blessed be HIS name, believers there shall, not in turn, but all together, without interruption, praise HIM night and day: may the LORD make each of us fit for the inheritance of the saints in light.

NEW TESTAMENT

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John 6: 1 – 21

John 6: 2

Miracles are works of supernatural origin and power. They function as a sign of mark of divine authority. The central and greatest miracle of the New Testament is the resurrection.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 2nd August 2024

Morning

Psalms- 81

Old Testament- 1 Chronicles 10: 1 – 14

New Testament- John 6: 22 – 27

Evening

Psalms- 82

Old Testament- 1 Chronicles 11: 1 – 9

New Testament- John 6: 28 – 40

Quiz for 2nd August 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 81 & 82

1) Unjust judgements rebuked...?

1 Chronicles 10: 1 – 11: 9

2) Who defeated Saul...?

John 6: 22 – 40

3) What is the first “I am” recorded in this portion ...Reference...?

Verses for 2nd August 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 81 & 82

Psalms 81: 1 – 7

All the worship we can render to the LORD is beneath HIS excellences, and our obligations to HIM, especially in our redemption from sin and wrath. What GOD had done on Israel's behalf, was kept in remembrance by public solemnities. To make a deliverance appear more gracious, more glorious, it is good to observe all that makes the trouble we are delivered from appear more grievous. We ought never to forget the base and ruinous drudgery to which Satan, our oppressor, brought us. But

when, in distress of conscience, we are led to cry for deliverance, the LORD answers our prayers, and sets us at liberty. Convictions of sin, and trials by affliction, prove HIS regard to HIS people. If the Jews, on their solemn feast-days, were thus to call to mind their redemption out of Egypt, much more ought we, on the Christian Sabbath, to call to mind a more glorious redemption, wrought out for us by our LORD JESUS CHRIST, from worse bondage.

OLD TESTAMENT



1 Chronicles 10: 1 – 11: 9

1 Chronicles 10: 1

The Philistines fought against Israel.

With chapter 10 the writer begins a historical summary of Israel's past, starting with the monarchical Era. In this chapter he states the reason for the rejection of Saul and the transfer of the kingdom to David.

NEW TESTAMENT



John 6: 22 – 40

John 6: 35

I am the bread of life.

I am the bread of life is the first of the seven "I am" statements recorded in John's Gospel, each one emphasizing an important aspect of the personal ministry of JESUS. This statement tells us that CHRIST is the sustenance that nourishes spiritual life. The other I am statements are the light of the world, the door, the good shepherd, the resurrection and the life, the way, the truth, and the life, and the true wine.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 3rd August 2024

Morning

Psalms- 83 and 84

Old Testament- 1 Chronicles 11: 10 – 21

New Testament- John 6: 41 – 51

Evening

Psalms- 85

Old Testament- 1 Chronicles 11: 22 – 47

New Testament- John 6: 52 – 59

Verses for 3rd August 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 83; 84 and 85

Psalms 85: 1 – 7

The sense of present afflictions should not do away the remembrance of former mercies. The favour of GOD is the fountain of happiness to nations, as well as to particular persons. When GOD forgives sin, HE covers it; and when HE covers the sin of His people, see what the pardon of sin is. In compassion to us, when CHRIST our Intercessor has stood before thee, thou hast turned away thine anger. When we are reconciled to GOD, then, and not till then, we may expect the comfort of HIS being reconciled to us. HE shows mercy to those to whom HE grants salvation; for salvation is of mere mercy. The LORD's people may expect sharp and tedious afflictions when they commit sin; but when they return to HIM with humble prayer, HE will make them again to rejoice in HIM.

OLD TESTAMENT



1 Chronicles 11: 10 – 47

1 Chronicles 11

An account is given of David's worthies, the great men who served him. Yet David reckoned his success, not as from the mighty men that were with him, but from the mighty GOD, whose presence is all in all. In strengthening him, they strengthened themselves and their own interest, for his advancement was theirs.

We shall gain by what we do in our places for the support of the kingdom of the SON OF DAVID; and those that are faithful to HIM, shall find their names registered much more to their honour, than these are in the records of fame.

NEW TESTAMENT

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John 6: 41 – 59

John 6: 44

The FATHERdraw him.

The FATHER draws people to JESUS through the HOLY SPIRIT.

GOD's work of drawing covers all people, as JESUS says I ...will draw all men. But this drawing is not irresistible, for it can be rejected.

MISSION: SHARING GOD'S PAIN

(Mission Sunday)

Morning Scripture Reading:

Isaiah 6: 1 – 8

Psalms 40: 1 – 13

Acts 9: 10 – 18

Luke 10: 1 – 11

Evening Scripture Reading:

Hosea 11: 1 – 12 /

2 Corinthians 11: 16 – 31

Collect:

Empowering GOD, we thank YOU for calling us to be co-journers with JESUS CHRIST, who laid HIS life for the sake of carrying on YOUR mission of establishing YOUR kingdom on earth. Equip us we pray that we may be strengthened in sharing YOUR plan for YOUR creation with a commitment even to offer our lives for this mission like YOUR disciples and apostles. Help us to face the challenges in this mission; the pain and sufferings with a hope to make the kingdom of GOD JESUS CHRIST our LORD who lives and reigns with YOU and the HOLY SPIRIT, one GOD, now and forever more.

Amen.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 5th August 2024

Morning

Psalms- 89: 1 – 18

Old Testament- 1 Chronicles 12: 1 – 22

New Testament- John 6: 60 – 71

Evening

Psalms- 89: 19 – 52

Old Testament- 1 Chronicles 12: 23 – 40

New Testament- John 7: 1 – 13

Quiz for 5th August 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 89

1) Title of the psalm...?

1 Chronicles 12: 1 – 40

2) HOLY SPIRIT...reference..?

John 6: 60 – 7: 13

3) Why does the world hate JESUS...Reference...?

Verses for 5th August 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 89: 1 – 52

Psalms 89: 30

If his children forsake my law.

GOD's promises verses 30--37 did not ensure the reign of David's descendants as king forever, nor do they address the issue of the personal Salvation of these kings. Rather, the promises were given to David to assure him that the unfaithfulness of Israel and her kings would not interfere with GOD's purpose to establish one of his descendants I.e. JESUS upon an everlasting throne.

OLD TESTAMENT



1 Chronicles 12: 1 – 40

1 Chronicles 12: 18

The SPIRIT came upon Amasai.

Under the old covenant the HOLY SPIRIT equipped certain persons with power and ability to do tasks to which GOD had called them. In Amasai's case it was the gift of prophetic inspiration. Under the new covenant, JESUS promised that all His followers would receive power, after that the HOLY GHOST is come upon them.

NEW TESTAMENT



John 6: 60 – 7: 13

John 7: 7

The world...hateth .

JESUS was hated by the world because HE proclaimed that what all people separated from GOD do is evil. Throughout HIS ministry JESUS faithfully denounced injustice cruelty and immorality. This unfailing, for the right testimony to human sinfulness contradicts those ministers who self-righteously claim to reach a positive gospel I.e.one stripped of the prophetic demand for repentance and righteousness.

CSI Almanac – 6th August 2024, Tuesday

THE TRANSFIGURATION OF CHRIST

Epistle Reading:

2 Peter 1: 16 – 19

Gospel Reading:

Luke 9: 28 – 36

Collect:

O GOD of infinite majesty, who on the mountain – top revealed to chosen witnesses the glory of YOUR incarnate SON, grant to us Your children such a vision of HIS love that we may daily grow in HIS likeness, until we see HIM as HE is; through JESUS CHRIST, who lives and reigns with YOU and the HOLY SPIRIT, one GOD, now and forever more.

Amen.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 7th August 2024

Morning

Psalms- 92 & 93

Old Testament- 1 Chronicles 15: 1 – 15

New Testament- John 7: 37 – 52

Evening

Psalms- 94

Old Testament- 1 Chronicles 15: 16 – 29

New Testament- John 8: 1 – 11

Quiz for 7th August 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 92; 93 and 94

1) Praise for the LORD's goodness...Psalm number...?

1 Chronicles 15: 1 – 29

2) Who are supposed to carry the Ark of GOD...reference..?

John 7: 37 – 8: 11

3) HOLY SPIRIT...Reference...?

Verses for 7th August 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 92; 93 and 94

Psalms 92: 1

It is a good thing to give thanks unto the LORD, and to sing praises. Praise and thanksgiving to GOD are the basic elements in the believer's life. We must thank the LORD morning and evening for salvation through HIS SON, JESUS, for HIS loving kindness and grace, and for HIS faithful guidance and care. We should express our gratitude for the Word of GOD and for HIS spiritual gifts. New Testament believers must give thanks in the name of the LORD JESUS CHRIST.

OLD TESTAMENT



1 Chronicles 15: 1 – 29

1 Chronicles 15: 12

Sanctify yourselves.

To do the work of the LORD, believers must sanctify or consecrate themselves, i.e. separate themselves from all that offends GOD and present themselves to HIM as instruments of righteousness.

NEW TESTAMENT



John 7: 37 – 8: 11

John 7: 38

As the scripture hath said.

JESUS referred to the "scripture" because it was the very Word of HIS FATHER and therefore the supreme authority for HIS life and teaching. Scripture is also for Christians, for GOD alone has the right to determine our standards of conduct. HE has chosen to exercise this authority by making HIS truth known in Scripture. The Bible, as GOD's revelation, carries the same authority as if GOD Himself were speaking to us directly.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 8th August 2024

Morning

Psalms- 95

Old Testament- 1 Chronicles 16: 1 – 15

New Testament- John 8: 12 – 20

Evening

Psalms- 96

Old Testament- 1 Chronicles 16: 16 – 27

New Testament- John 8: 21 – 29

Quiz for 8th August 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 95 & 96

1) Witnessing psalm...?

1 Chronicles 16: 1 – 27

2) David's psalm of gratitude...Psalms reference..?

John 8: 12 – 29

3) Testimony of how many men is true...reference...?

Verses for 8th August 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 95 & 96

Psalms 96: 2 & 3

Declare HIS glory among the heathen.

Those of us who have received GOD's Salvation and experienced HIS wonderful deeds must be eager to tell others that HE can deliver and save them. The command to declare HIS glory among the nations looks forward to the Great Commission that JESUS gave to go into all the world and preach the gospel to all nations.

OLD TESTAMENT



1 Chronicles 16: 1 – 27

1 Chronicles 16: 10

Let the heart of them rejoice that seek the LORD.

Our happiness and security and our freedom from anxiety are dependent on our gratitude to GOD and our perseverance in seeking HIS face daily. Those who continually call out to the LORD with thanksgiving can have confidence that HE will walk by their side and be a present help throughout all of life.

NEW TESTAMENT



John 8: 12 – 29

John 8: 12

The light of the world.

JESUS is the true light. HE removes darkness and deception by illuminating the right way to GOD and salvation to all those who still walk in darkness of sin, the world, and the satan. Those who still walk in darkness do not follow HIM. HE that followeth JESUS is a present participle picturing a continuing action, whoever keeps on following JESUS is recognized as the one persevering discipleship.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 9th August 2024

Morning

Psalms- 97

Old Testament- 1 Chronicles 16: 28 – 43

New Testament- John 8: 30 – 47

Evening

Psalms- 98 and 99

Old Testament- 1 Chronicles 17: 1 – 15

New Testament- John 8: 48 – 59

Quiz for 9th August 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 97; 98 and 99

1) Second coming... reference...?

1 Chronicles 16: 28 – 17: 15

2) Explain briefly verse 29..?

John 8: 30 – 59

3) Walking in obedience and righteousness...reference...?

Verses for 9th August 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 97; 98 and 99

Psalms 98: 9

HE cometh to judge the earth.

This verse will find its ultimate fulfilment in our LORD's return to judge the world, eliminate sin and sorrow, and renew the heavens and the earth. Nature itself will rejoice as it participates in the final redemption when CHRIST rules the earth in righteousness and justice.

OLD TESTAMENT



1 Chronicles 16: 28 – 17: 15

1 Chronicles 16: 29

Worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness.

Genuine worship must be done in holiness. GOD accepts spiritual and jubilant worship only as long as it is accompanied by an inward disposition of reverence and purity, an earnest desire to be near HIM, and the fervent commitment to resist all that offends HIS holy nature.

NEW TESTAMENT



John 8: 30 – 59

John 8: 31

If you continue in my Word.

JESUS never encouraged HIS disciples to place confidence in past faith or past experience. It is only if ye continue in my word that confidence of salvation is warranted. Genuine Disciples of CHRIST continue to obey the words of CHRIST.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 10th August 2024

Morning

Psalms- 100 and 101

Old Testament- 1 Chronicles 17: 16 – 27

New Testament- John 9: 1 – 12

Evening

Psalms- 102

Old Testament- 1 Chronicles 18: 1 – 17

New Testament- John 9: 13 – 23

Verses for 10th August 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 100; 101 and 102

Psalms 101: 1 – 8

Mercy and judgement.

This psalm pictures the kind of heart that the king of Israel must have if he desires to rule according to the will of GOD. The attitudes expressed in this psalm also apply to those who rule in the church.

OLD TESTAMENT



1 Chronicles 17: 16 – 18: 17

1 Chronicles 18: 6

The LORD preserved David wither so ever he went.

GOD desires to help, protect and give victory to His faithful people. As we search for strength from the LORD and seek HIS face continually, a channel of blessing is opened to our lives whereby GOD helps us in trouble gives us freedom from Satan's power and leads us by HIS SPIRIT.

NEW TESTAMENT

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John 9: 1 – 23

John 9: 3

Works of GOD ...be made manifest.

JESUS corrects the disciples' erroneous belief that every serious affliction is the result of some sin. At times sickness does result from serious sin but not always. Sometimes suffering is permitted because of divine purpose to display GOD's mercy, love and power. Often in the world the innocent suffer when the wicked do not.

BAPTISM: DYING AND RISING UP WITH CHRIST

Morning Scripture Reading:

Genesis 7: 11 – 24

Psalms 29

Romans 6: 1 – 14

John 12: 20 – 26

Evening Scripture Reading:

Exodus 2: 1 – 10 /

1 Peter 3: 19 – 22

Collect:

Gracious GOD, we acknowledge Your grace and compassion upon us. We thank You for the sacrament of Baptism which unites us in CHRIST bringing life from death to sin and raises us up for newness of life. Enlighten us to grow up in this understanding so that we can witness Your grace that enables us to partake in CHRIST for new possibilities of relationship and reconciliation; through JESUS CHRIST our LORD, who lives and reigns with You and the HOLY SPIRIT, one GOD, now an ever.

Amen.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 12th August 2024

Morning

Psalms- 104: 24 – 35

Old Testament- 1 Chronicles 19: 1 – 19

New Testament- John 9: 24 – 41

Evening

Psalms- 105: 1 – 22

Old Testament- 1 Chronicles 20: 1 – 8

New Testament- John 10: 1 – 10

Quiz for 12th August 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 104: 24 – 35 and Psalms 105: 1 – 22

1) God the creator of the earth...Psalm number...?

1 Chronicles 19: 1 – 20: 8

2) Why did David send messengers to Hanun son of Nahash...reference..?

John 9:24 – 10:10

3) What was the healed man's reply, when JESUS revealed HIMSELF...reference...?

Verses for 12th August 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 104: 24 – 35 and Psalms 105: 1 – 22

Psalms 104: 31 – 35

Man's glory is fading; GOD's glory is everlasting: creatures change, but with the Creator there is no variableness. And if mediation on the glories of creation be so sweet to the soul, what greater glory appears to the enlightened mind, when contemplating the great work of redemption! There alone can a sinner perceive ground of confidence and joy in GOD. While HE with pleasure upholds all, governs

all, and rejoices in all HIS works, let our souls, touched by HIS grace, meditate on and praise HIM.

OLD TESTAMENT



1 Chronicles 19: 1 – 20: 8

1 Chronicles 20: 3

Cut them with saws.

The Hebrew word for cut can mean to rule or put to subjection. This word may indicate that David subjected the Amorites to hard tasks and labour involving saws harrows and axes.

NEW TESTAMENT



John 9:24 – 10:10

John 9:34

They cast him out.

One of the best things that happened to the man born blind was excommunication from his former religion. If he had been allowed to stay in the synagogue, he would have been in danger of drifting back to the traditional ways of Judaism and becoming alienated from CHRIST and the gospel.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 13th August 2024

Morning

Psalms- 105: 23 – 45

Old Testament- 1 Chronicles 21: 1 – 14

New Testament- John 10: 11 – 21

Evening

Psalms- 106: 1 – 18 & 42 – 48

Old Testament- 1 Chronicles 21: 15 – 30

New Testament- John 10: 22 – 30

Quiz for 13th August 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 105: 23 – 45 and Psalms 106: 1 – 18 & 42 – 48

1) GOD's mercy to Israel... Psalm number...?

1 Chronicles 21: 1 – 30

2) Who provoked David to number...? Reference..?

John 10: 11 – 30

3) Who shall never perish...reference...?

Verses for 13th August 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 105: 23 – 45 and Psalms 106: 1 – 18 & 42 – 48

Psalms 105: 24 – 45

As the believer commonly thrives best in his soul when under the cross; so the church also flourishes most in true holiness, and increases in number, while under persecution. Yet instruments shall be raised up for their deliverance, and plagues may be expected by persecutors. And see the special care GOD took of his people in the wilderness. All the benefits bestowed on Israel as a nation, were shadows of spiritual blessings with which we are blessed in CHRIST JESUS. Having redeemed us with HIS blood, restored our souls to holiness, and set us at liberty from Satan's

bondage, HE guides and guards us all the way. HE satisfies our souls with the bread of heaven, and the water of life from the Rock of salvation, and will bring us safely to heaven. HE redeems his servants from all iniquity, and purifies them unto HIMSELF, to be a peculiar people, zealous of good works.

OLD TESTAMENT



1 Chronicles 21: 1 – 30

1 Chronicles 21: 7

GOD...smote Israel.

It is likely that the people of Israel were in sympathy with David's sinful desire to number the people. Joab himself knew that numbering the people was a great sin that would bring guilt upon all Israel. Presumably therefore, a majority of people favouring the numbering of Israel through their Spirit of national pride. They participated in David's sin and became subject to judgement.

NEW TESTAMENT



John 10: 11 – 30

John 10: 28

They will never perish.

Here is a precious promise given to all who are CHRIST's sheep. They will never be banished from GOD's love or presence, nor will any power or circumstances on earth take them from the shepherd. There is indeed safety and security for even the weakest sheep who follow and listen to the good shepherd.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 14th August 2024

Morning

Psalms- 106: 19 – 48

Old Testament- 1 Chronicles 22: 1 – 19

New Testament- John 10: 31 – 42

Evening

Psalms- 107: 1 – 22

Old Testament- 1 Chronicles 23: 1 – 19

New Testament- John 11: 1 – 16

Quiz for 14th August 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 106: 19 – 107: 22

1) The LORD's goodness to men...?

1 Chronicles 22: 1 – 23: 19

2) David reiterates GOD's command his son to build the temple...reference..?

John 10: 31 – 11: 16

3) Truth about verse 4...Explain briefly...?

Verses for 14th August 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 106: 19 – 48 and Psalms 107: 1 – 22

Psalms 107: 6

They cried unto the LORD.

Four times the psalmist uses this phrase, and four times it is stated that GOD delivered them out of their distresses. GOD frequently brings His children to a place where their own self sufficiency fails and where no human being can help, in order that they might cry out to HIM in humble and childlike faith.

OLD TESTAMENT



1 Chronicles 22: 1 – 23: 19

1 Chronicles 22: 11

Now, my son.

Although David was not allowed to build the temple, he faithfully dedicated himself to preparing for the temple but also for its construction. His concern was not only for the temple but also for his son Solomon, who would oversee the project. Above all, he instructed his son to be careful to observe GOD's word and seek the LORD with all his heart and soul.

NEW TESTAMENT



John 10: 31 – 11: 16

John 11: 4

Sickness.....for the glory of GOD.

Sickness among GOD's people will never result in death as the final outcome. Death ultimately will be destroyed by the resurrection. The final truth is that those who believe in CHRIST shall never die.

CSI Almanac – 15th August 2024, Thursday

Communal Harmony

(Independence Day)

Old Testament Reading:

Genesis 11: 1 – 9

Psalms Reading:

Psalms 66

Epistle Reading:

2Timothy 2: 14 – 26

Gospel Reading:

Matthew 5: 38 – 48

Collect:

Dear GOD our father and mother, we thank YOU and praise YOU for the gift of life. We believe and affirm that YOU are the source and author of life. YOU created us and the universe in order and harmony. Today we have lost our peace by creating walls between ourselves. We pray that YOU would break the barriers of division. Let the harmony and peace prevail among us. Enable us to understand that we are all created in the image of GOD and we all belong to one family of GOD, through JESUS CHRIST our LORD, who lives and reigns with YOU in the unity of the HOLY SPIRIT, one GOD, now and ever.

Amen.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 16th August 2024

Morning

Psalms- 109: 1 – 5 & 21 – 31

Old Testament- 1 Chronicles 24: 20 – 31

New Testament- John 11: 45 – 53

Evening

Psalms- 110

Old Testament- 1 Chronicles 25: 1 – 7

New Testament- John 11: 54 – 57

Quiz for 16th August 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 109: 1 – 5 & 21 – 31 and 110

1) Old Testament prophecy and New Testament fulfilment...?

1 Chronicles 24: 20 – 25: 7

2) Briefly explain verse 1..?

John 11: 45 – 57

3) What did Caiaphas prophecy...reference...?

Verses for 16th August 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 109: 1 – 5 & 21 – 31 and 110

Psalms 110: 1 – 7

The LORD said unto my LORD.

This psalm speaks of the LORDSHIP of the MESSIAH, HIS priesthood, HIS destruction of the wicked and HIS reign on earth. It clearly prophesies about JESUS CHRIST.

JESUS applied verse 1 to HIMSELF in making HIS claim to deity, and the apostle Peter quoted verse 1 to emphasize CHRIST'S LORDSHIP.

OLD TESTAMENT



1 Chronicles 24: 20 – 25: 7

1 Chronicles 25: 1

Prophecy with, by harps.

The usual meaning of - to prophesy is to use ones voice for GOD's service and to HIS glory under divine impulse. Here it is used to signify singing and playing music to praise GOD, most likely under the direct influence of the HOLY SPIRIT. Under the new covenant, prophesying came to be predominant manifestation of the HOLY SPIRIT among those who believe in CHRIST and who are filled with the SPIRIT.

NEW TESTAMENT



John 11: 45 – 57

John 11: 54 – 57

Before our gospel Passover we must renew our repentance.

Thus by a voluntary purification, and by religious exercises, many, more devout than their neighbours, spent some time before the Passover at Jerusalem. When we expect to meet GOD, we must solemnly prepare. No devices of man can alter the purposes of GOD: and while hypocrites amuse themselves with forms and disputes, and worldly men pursue their own plans, JESUS still orders all things for HIS own glory and the salvation of His people.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 17th August 2024

Morning

Psalms- 111 and 112

Old Testament- 1 Chronicles 25: 8 – 31

New Testament- John 12: 1 – 11

Evening

Psalms- 113 and 114

Old Testament- 1 Chronicles 26: 1 – 19

New Testament- John 12: 12 – 19

Verses for 17th August 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 111 – 114

Psalms 111 – 114

Passover Psalm

Jews used these Psalms at the yearly Passover celebration. The first two were sung before the meal and the remaining four after the meal. Thus these were probably the last songs Jesus sang before His death. Since these psalms begin in Hebrew with the word Hallelujah, Jews came to call them The Hallel (Praise)

OLD TESTAMENT



1 Chronicles 25: 8 – 26: 19

1 Chronicles 25

The singers and musicians.

David put those in order who were appointed to be singers and musicians in the temple.

To prophesy, in this place, means praising GOD with great earnestness and devout affections, under the influences of the HOLY SPIRIT. In raising these affections,

poetry and music were employed. If the Spirit of GOD do not put life and fervour into our devotions, they will, however ordered, be a lifeless, worthless form.

NEW TESTAMENT

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John 12: 1 – 19

John 12: 12

Blessed is he.... who cometh.

The crowd believed that the MESSIAH would restore Israel nationality and rule the nation politically. They failed to understand the purpose that JESUS expressed regarding HIS coming into the world. Latter the crowd shouted Crucify HIM, when they saw He was not the MESSIAH they wanted.

SACRAMENT OF HOLY QURBANA / HOLY SACRIFICE

Morning Scripture Reading:

2 King 4: 42 – 44

Psalms 100

1 Corinthians 11: 23 – 30

John 6: 15 – 59

Evening Scripture Reading:

Genesis 22: 1 – 19 /

Acts 27: 27 – 38

Collect:

Most Merciful and everlasting GOD, we offer our thanks and praises to YOU through YOUR SON JESUS CHRIST the bread of life who has offered HIMSELF as a sacrifice for the remission of the sins of the whole world. Even as we approach YOUR table, we remember with deep gratitude this offering of sacrificial death on the cross; we humbly beseech YOU to rejuvenate our commitment to YOU. Inspire us, we pray that we may be a living sacrifice to YOU in JESUS CHRIST our LORD who lives and reigns with YOU and the HOLY SPIRIT, one GOD, now and forever more.

Amen.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 19th August 2024

Morning

Psalms- 118

Old Testament- 1 Chronicles 26: 20 – 32

New Testament- John 12: 20 – 28

Evening

Psalms- 119: 1 – 24

Old Testament- 1 Chronicles 27: 1 – 15

New Testament- John 12: 29 – 36

Quiz for 19th August 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 118 and 119: 1 – 24

1) Old Testament Prophecy and New Testament fulfilment...?

1 Chronicles 26: 20 – 27: 15

2) What was the speciality of Benaiah...reference..?

John 12: 20 – 36

3) Explain briefly JESUS reply too verse 21 & 22...?

Verses for 19th August 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 118 and 119: 1 – 24

Psalms 119: 3

Ways...

GOD's ways represent those principles and means of operation by which GOD relates to His people and advances His redemption in the earth. His ways are contrary to humanistic wisdom and values.

OLD TESTAMENT



1 Chronicles 26: 20 – 27: 15

1 Chronicles 27: 1 – 15

In the kingdoms of this world readiness for war forms a security for peace; in like manner, nothing so much encourages Satan's assaults as to be unwatchful. So long as we stand armed with the whole armour of GOD, in the exercise of faith, and preparation of heart for the conflict, we shall certainly be safe, and probably enjoy inward peace.

NEW TESTAMENT

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John 12: 20 – 36

John 12: 26

If any man serve me.

Faith in JESUS involves a personal commitment to follow Him. Keep His teaching and be where He is. Following Jesus includes self-denial and taking up ones cross.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 20th August 2024

Morning

Psalms- 119: 25 – 48

Old Testament- 1 Chronicles 27: 16 – 34

New Testament- John 12: 37 – 43

Evening

Psalms- 119: 49 – 72

Old Testament- 1 Chronicles 28: 1 – 10

New Testament- John 12: 44 – 50

Quiz for 20th August 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 119: 25 – 72

- 1) Prayer for understanding the law... reference...?

1 Chronicles 27: 16 – 28: 10

- 2) Condition for establishing Solomon's kingdom...reference..?

John 12: 37 – 50

- 3) Who will not abide in the darkness...reference...?

Verses for 20th August 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 119: 26 – 72

Psalms 119: 27

Make me to understand the way of thy precepts. GOD's Word can only be understood fully with His help, thus we should continually pray to God, through His Holy Spirit, to draw near to us, to increase our understanding and to teach us His truth.

OLD TESTAMENT



1 Chronicles 27: 16 – 28: 10

1 Chronicles 28: 8

Keep and seek for all the commandments.

The condition for establishing Solomon's kingdom was a life of obedience and faithfulness to GOD. Solomon heeded his father's advice in the beginning but later departed from GOD.

NEW TESTAMENT

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John 12: 37 – 50

John 12: 39

They could not believe.

The people could not believe because their decisions about JESUS brought GOD's action of hardening. The gospel never leaves unchanged the person who refuses to listen, repent and believe. The apostle Paul says that the people of Israel were broken off because of their unbelief. Yet the hardening was not permanent for every individual in that nation. Anyone who humbled himself or herself and believed would receive eternal life.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 21st August 2024

Morning

Psalms- 119: 73 – 96

Old Testament- 1 Chronicles 28: 11 – 21

New Testament- John 13: 1 – 11

Evening

Psalms- 119: 97 – 120

Old Testament- 1 Chronicles 29: 1 – 9

New Testament- John 13: 12 – 20

Quiz for 21st August 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 119: 73 – 120

1) GOD's law taught by affliction... reference...?

1 Chronicles 28: 11 – 29: 9

2) Why did the people rejoice...reference..?

John 13: 1 – 20

3) What does JESUS act of washing his disciples feet teach us...?

Verses for 21st August 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 119: 73 – 120

Psalms 119: 113

I hate vain thoughts; but thy law do I live.

We really cannot love GOD's Word without hating evil and maintaining a Holy and reverent fear of God and His disciples.

OLD TESTAMENT



1 Chronicles 28: 11 – 29: 9

1 Chronicles 28: 9

Know thou the GOD of thy Father.

David's charge to Solomon was that he should know GOD, serve Him and seek Him with a perfect heart and with a willing mind. To know GOD means to have practical knowledge of His person and ways and to abide in close fellowship with Him and His Word .To serve GOD means to desire His grace, kingdom power and righteousness to such an extent that we continually pray for His active presence in our lives and earnestly seek to obey His will.

NEW TESTAMENT

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John 13: 1 – 20

John 13: 16

This womanSatan hath bound.

It is a detestable sin in CHRIST's eyes when a person no longer hears the sighs of suffering humanity. JESUS teaches that people are imprisoned by sin, sickness and death, and are in distress and great need. Today we are in great danger of becoming insensitive to the world's misery and suffering because of the entertainment media that revel in showing immorality and violence for the sake of pleasure. True disciples will be like their Master, able to see the distresses of life and hear the groaning of creation.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 22nd August 2024

Morning

Psalms- 119: 121 – 144

Old Testament- 1 Chronicles 29: 10 – 19

New Testament- John 13: 21 – 30

Evening

Psalms- 119: 145 – 160

Old Testament- 1 Chronicles 29: 20 – 30

New Testament- John 13: 31 – 38

Quiz for 22nd August 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 119: 121 – 160

1) The psalmist loves GOD's law ... reference...?

1 Chronicles 29: 10 – 30

2) Praise and worship...reference..?

John 13: 21 – 38

3) New commandment...reference...?

Verses for 22nd August 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 119: 121 – 160

Psalms 119: 136

Rivers of waters run down mine eyes.

Those who love GOD's Word will experience grief and sorrow, even anger, when they see GOD's laws rejected and scorned by the ungodly, these feelings will undoubtedly continue until the return of CHRIST.

OLD TESTAMENT



1 Chronicles 29: 10 – 30

1 Chronicles 29: 20

Bless the LORD your GOD.

To bless the LORD is to adore and worship HIM. When believers bless GOD, they begin by recalling GOD's goodness, righteousness and glory, and then respond in praise and adoration.

NEW TESTAMENT



John 13: 21 – 38

John 13: 22

Doubting of whom he spake.

It is important to note that at no time did the disciples discern Judas's duplicity, he had covered his hypocrisy very well. Even today there will be those in the church who outwardly appear righteous, yet inwardly have no real faith in and devotion to CHRIST.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 23rd August 2024

Morning

Psalms- 120; 121 and 122

Old Testament- 2 Chronicles 1: 1 – 13

New Testament- John 14: 1 – 7

Evening

Psalms- 123; 124 and 125

Old Testament- 2 Chronicles 1: 14 – 17

New Testament- John 14: 8 – 14

Quiz for 23rd August 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 120 – 125

1) The peace of Jerusalem...psalm number... reference...?

2 Chronicles 1: 1 – 17

2) GOD's reply to Solomon's request...reference..?

John 14: 1 – 14

3) Faith that moves mountains...reference...?

Verses for 23rd August 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 120 – 125

Psalms 121: 8

The LORD shall preserve thy going out and thy coming in.

This text may be applied both to our Christian lives from spiritual birth until we leave this earth and to our physical lives as we go out in the morning to work and come home to rest GOD will preserve us. He is our constant guard.

OLD TESTAMENT



2 Chronicles 1: 1 – 17

2 Chronicles 1: 12

Wisdom and knowledge is granted unto thee.

Solomon was granted wisdom and knowledge, yet this did not guarantee that he would persevere in faithfulness to GOD for His ways and to keep His commandments. Possessing wisdom or an exceptional knowledge of GOD's Word does not guarantee that a person will live for GOD according to that wisdom and follow His ways. Later in life Solomon departed from GOD and failed to do what he knew was right, he was consequently judged by GOD.

NEW TESTAMENT

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John 14: 1 – 14

John 14: 12

Greater works...

It is JESUS desire that HIS followers do the works that HE did. The greater things include both the work of saving people to CHRIST and the performing of miracles. This is shown in the narratives of Acts and JESUS declaration in Mark. The reason for greater things done by the disciples is that JESUS will go to HIS FATHER, send forth the power of the HOLY SPIRIT and answer prayers that HE would have prayed HIMSELF. There is no limit to the power of prayer when addressed to JESUS or the FATHER in Holy faith according to His desire.

CSI Almanac – 24th August 2024, Saturday

Bartholomew, Apostle and Martyr

Old Testament Reading:

Genesis 28: 10 – 17

Psalms Reading:

Psalms 25

Epistle Reading:

Ephesians 4: 7 – 16

Gospel Reading:

Luke 6: 12 – 16

Collect:

Almighty GOD, who gave to Your Apostle Bartholomew grace truly to believe and preach Your Word; grant that Your church may love that word which he believed, and may faithfully preach and receive the same; through JESUS CHRIST, who lives and reigns with You and the HOLY SPIRIT, One GOD, now and forever more.

Amen.

PLURALITY: COMMON HUMANITY AND FAITH SHARING

Morning Scripture Reading:

Jonah 4: 1 – 11

Psalms 82

Acts 8: 26 – 40

Matthew 22: 1 – 14

Evening Scripture Reading:

Isaiah 45: 1 – 8 /

Acts 21: 27 – 36

Collect:

ALMIGHTY GOD, you created every human in Your own image. It is in eliminating the human barriers we enjoy the beauty of one humanity of the universal family. Help us to realize that in sharing our human concern with our brothers and sisters in need we affirm faith. Lead us to dwell together as one human, amidst pluralistic, diverse faith tradition. Strengthen Your people that we may understand this beauty of sharing our faith with one another in building the just society with righteousness and justice, through JESUS CHRIST our LORD who lives and reigns with YOU and the HOLY SPIRIT, one GOD, now and forever more.

Amen.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 23rd August 2024

Morning

Psalms 136

Old Testament 2 Chronicles 3: 1 – 17

New Testament John 14: 27 – 31

Evening

Psalms 137: 1 – 6 and Psalms 138

Old Testament 2 Chronicles 4: 1 – 10

New Testament John 15: 1 – 8

Quiz for 23rd August 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 136; 137: 1 – 6 and 138

1) GOD's enduring love...psalm number...?

2 Chronicles 3: 1 – 4: 10

2) Where did King Solomon commence building the house of the LORD...reference..?

John 14: 27 – 15: 8

3) Fruit of the HOLY SPIRIT...reference...?

Verses for 23rd August 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 136; 137: 1 – 6 and 138

Psalms 136: 1 – 9

Forgetful as we are, things must be often repeated to us.

By "mercy" we understand the LORD's disposition to save those whom sin has rendered miserable and vile, and all the provision He has made for the redemption of sinners by JESUS CHRIST. The counsels of this mercy have been from everlasting, and the effects of it will endure for ever, to all who are interested in it. The LORD

continues equally ready to show mercy to all who seek for it, and this is the source of all our hope and comfort.

OLD TESTAMENT



2 Chronicles 3: 1 – 4: 10

2 Chronicles 3

There is a more particular account of the building of the temple in 1 Kings 6.

It must be in the place David had prepared, not only which he had purchased, but which he had fixed on by Divine direction. Full instructions enable us to go about our work with certainty and to proceed therein with comfort. Blessed be GOD, the Scriptures are enough to render the man of God thoroughly furnished for every good work. Let us search the Scriptures daily, beseeching the LORD to enable us to understand, believe, and obey his Word, that our work and our way may be made plain, and that all may be begun, continued, and ended in HIM. Beholding GOD, in CHRIST, His true Temple, more glorious than that of Solomon's, may we become a spiritual house, a habitation of GOD through the SPIRIT.

NEW TESTAMENT



John 14: 27 – 15: 8

John 15: 4

Abide in me.

After a person believes in CHRIST and is forgiven, he or she receives eternal life and the power to remain in CHRIST. Given that power, the believer must then accept the responsibility in salvation and remain in CHRIST. The Greek word meno means to remain, continue, abide or live. Just as the branch has life only as long as the life of vine flows into it, so believers have CHRIST's life only as long as CHRIST's life flow into them through their remaining in CHRIST.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 27th August 2024

Morning

Psalms 139

Old Testament 2 Chronicles 4: 11 – 22

New Testament John 15: 9 – 16

Evening

Psalms 140: 1 – 8, 12 & 13 and Psalms 141

Old Testament 2 Chronicles 5: 1 – 14

New Testament John 15: 17 – 27

Quiz for 27th August 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 139; Psalms 140: 1 – 8, 12 & 13 and Psalms 141

1) Incense and sacrifice...reference...?

2 Chronicles 4: 11 – 5: 14

2) Where was the Ark of the Covenant installed..?

John 15: 9 – 27

3) Witnessing...reference...?

Verses for 27th August 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 139; Psalms 140: 1 – 8, 12 & 13 and Psalms 141

Psalms 139

Thou searched me.

This psalm describes various aspects of GOD's attributes, especially His omnipresence and omniscience as these characteristics relate to His care for His people. The GOD of heaven and earth created and has perfect knowledge of us, He is always with us, and His thoughts are always directed toward us in every situation.

OLD TESTAMENT



2 Chronicles 4: 11 – 5: 14

2 Chronicles 5: 1

The house of the LORD.

The Old Testament dedicates much attention to the temple because of its crucial importance in maintaining the true faith of Israel and their communion with GOD.

NEW TESTAMENT



John 15: 9 – 27

John 15: 9 & 10

Continue in my love.

JESUS calls us to a life of holy intimacy and personal devotion to Him. This is possible because of GOD's love for us, which He has poured into our hearts by the HOLY SPIRIT. GOD demonstrated His great love through CHRIST's dying for us while we were still sinners. We remain in JESUS love by pursuing spiritual intimacy and communion with Him and by obeying His commands, just as he did with the Father.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 28th August 2024

Morning

Psalms 142 and 143

Old Testament 2 Chronicles 6: 1 – 11

New Testament John 16: 1 – 11

Evening

Psalms 144

Old Testament 2 Chronicles 6: 12 – 21

New Testament John 16: 12 – 17

Quiz for 28th August 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 142; 143 and 144

1) Overcoming the world and worldliness...Psalm number...?

2 Chronicles 6: 1 – 21

2) As in Solomon's prayer, who will be shown mercy...reference..?

John 16: 1 – 17

3) Promise of the Comforter...reference...?

Verses for 28th August 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 142; 143 and 144

Psalms 143

Hear my prayer, O LORD.

Like the preceding psalm, this one describes a believer who is facing overwhelming adversity and testing, and who feels he has reached the end of his endurance. All he has left is prayerful hope that GOD will revive him again.

OLD TESTAMENT



2 Chronicles 6: 1 – 21

2 Chronicles 6: 10

The house for the name of the LORD.

The Bible often refers to temple in relation to salvation history, the dwelling places of GOD mentioned are the tabernacle, Solomon's temple, Ezekiel's temple, Zerubbabel's temple, Herod's temple, Christ's body, and the New Jerusalem.

NEW TESTAMENT



John 16: 1 – 17

John 16: 14

He shall receive of mine.

The SPIRIT takes that which is CHRIST's and reveals it to the believer. HE takes the presence, love, forgiveness, redemption, sanctification, power, spiritual gifts, healing and all that is ours through our faith relationship with CHRIST. Through the SPIRIT, JESUS returns to us to disclose HIS love, grace and personal fellowship. The SPIRIT works within us to do what is necessary to awaken and deepen our awareness of JESUS presence in our lives drawing our hearts toward Him in faith, love, obedience, communion, worship and praise.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 29th August 2024

Morning

Psalms 145

Old Testament 2 Chronicles 6: 22 – 31

New Testament John 16: 18 – 24

Evening

Psalms 146

Old Testament 2 Chronicles 6: 32 – 42

New Testament John 16: 25 – 33

Quiz for 29th August 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 145 and 146

1) Praise for GOD's help and care...Psalm number...?

2 Chronicles 6: 22 – 42

2) Solomon's prayer and supplications are mainly for what purpose..?

John 16: 18 – 33

3) Overcoming the world and worldliness...reference...?

Verses for 29th August 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 145 and 146

Psalms 145: 2

Every day will I Bless thee.

No day should pass without praising and thanking GOD for HIS blessings and gifts to us. HE is our Maker, Redeemer and Provider.

OLD TESTAMENT



2 Chronicles 6: 22 – 42

2 Chronicles 6: 22 – 42

Solomon's prayer at the dedication of the temple.

The order of Solomon's prayer is to be observed. First and chiefly, he prays for repentance and forgiveness, which is the chief blessing, and the only solid foundation of other mercies: he then prays for temporal mercies; thereby teaching us what things to mind and desire most in our prayers. This also CHRIST hath taught us in his perfect pattern and form of prayer, where there is but one prayer for outward, and all the rest are for spiritual blessings. The temple typified the human nature of CHRIST, in whom dwelleth all the fullness of the Godhead bodily. The ark typified his obedience and sufferings, by which repenting sinners have access to a reconciled GOD, and communion with HIM. Jehovah has made our nature his resting-place for ever, in the person of Emmanuel, and through HIM he dwells with, and delights in his church of redeemed sinners. May our hearts become His resting-place; may CHRIST dwell therein by faith, consecrating them as His temples, and shedding abroad His love therein. May the FATHER look upon us in and through His Anointed; and may He remember and bless us in all things, according to His mercy to sinners, in and through CHRIST.

NEW TESTAMENT

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John 16: 18 – 33

John 16: 27

The FATHER himself loveth you.

The FATHER loves all people. But it is also true that HE has a special family love for those who through JESUS are reconciled to HIM, love HIM and remain loyal to HIM even while enduring trouble in this world. Our affection for JESUS brings forth the FATHER's affection for us.

Love responds to love.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 30th August 2024

Morning

Psalms 147

Old Testament 2 Chronicles 7: 1 – 10

New Testament John 17: 1 – 9

Evening

Psalms 148

Old Testament 2 Chronicles 7: 11 – 22

New Testament John 17: 10 – 19

Quiz for 30th August 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 147 and 148

1) An exhortation to trust GOD...Psalm number...?

2 Chronicles 7: 1 – 22

2) Healing...reference..?

John 17: 1 – 19

3) Overcoming the world and worldliness...reference...?

Verses for 30th August 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 147 and 148

Psalms 147: 6

The LORD lifts up the meek.

The word meek often includes the idea of suffering and refers to those who are afflicted because such people cannot cope with all of life's problems and responsibilities by themselves. In humility they call upon GOD for His help and strength. GOD lifts up the meek and gives them support. The psalmist assures them of GOD's help and ultimate victory, as GOD supported the meeting in Old Testament.

JESUS ministers to the afflicted and humble under the new covenant. Since GOD delights in those who are of a humble spirit, all believers earnestly should pray for a spirit of humility so that they may please GOD.

OLD TESTAMENT



2 Chronicles 7: 1 – 22

2 Chronicles 7: 14

If my people...humble...pray ...seek...turn.

When GOD's four conditions for revival and restoration are met, then, GOD's threefold promise of revival will be fulfilled. GOD will turn away his anger from his people, listen to their desperate cry and be attentive to their prayers.

The first evidence of revival is that GOD begins to hear and answer prayer from heaven and show compassion for his people.

NEW TESTAMENT



John 17: 1 – 19

John 17: 7

They have kept THY Word.

CHRIST's prayer for protection, joy, sanctification, love and unity applies only to a particular people.

Those who belong to GOD believe in CHRIST and are separated from the world and obey the Word of CHRIST and accept HIS teachings.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 31st August 2024

Morning

Psalms 149

Old Testament 2 Chronicles 8: 1 – 10

New Testament John 17: 20 – 26

Evening

Psalms 150

Old Testament 2 Chronicles 8: 11 – 18

New Testament John 18: 1 – 11

Verses for 31st August 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 149 and 150

Psalms 150

We are here stirred up to praise GOD.

Praise GOD for HIS sanctuary, and the privileges we enjoy by having it among us; praise HIM because of HIS power and glory in the firmament. Those who praise the LORD in heaven, behold displays of HIS power and glory which we cannot now conceive. But the greatest of all HIS mighty acts is known in his earthly sanctuary. The holiness and the love of our GOD are more displayed in man's redemption, than in all HIS other works. Let us praise our GOD and SAVIOUR for it. We need not care to know what instruments of music are mentioned. Hereby is meant that in serving GOD we should spare no cost or pains. Praise GOD with strong faith; praise HIM with holy love and delight; praise HIM with entire confidence in CHRIST; praise HIM with believing triumph over the powers of darkness; praise HIM by universal respect to all HIS commands; praise HIM by cheerful submission to all His disposals; praise HIM by rejoicing in HIS love, and comforting ourselves in HIS goodness; praise HIM by promoting the interests of the kingdom of HIS grace; praise HIM by lively hope and expectation of the kingdom of HIS glory. Since we must shortly breathe our last, while we have breath let us praise the LORD; then we shall breathe our last with comfort. Let everything that hath breath praise the LORD. Praise ye the LORD. Such is the very suitable end of a book inspired by the SPIRIT of GOD, written for the work of praise; a book which has supplied the songs of the church for more than three

thousand years; a book which is quoted more frequently than any other by CHRIST and His apostles; a book which presents the loftiest ideas of GOD and HIS government, which is fitted to every state of human life, which sets forth every state of religious experience, and which bears simple and clear marks of its Divine origin.

OLD TESTAMENT



2 Chronicles 8: 1 – 18

2 Chronicles 8: 11

The daughter of Pharaoh.

Solomon's marriage to Pharaoh's daughter was contrary to GOD's law. Though Solomon was dedicated to building the temple and keeping many GOD's statutes, this marriage shows that he failed to submit every area of his life to GOD's rule. Failure to resist his strongest temptation eventually resulted in his ruin, thus he left a vital area of his life open to Satan. Satan needs only one uncommitted or unresolved area of the believer's life to gain a foothold and lead him or her away from GOD.

NEW TESTAMENT



John 17: 20 – 18: 11

John 17: 21

JESUS does not pray for His followers to become one, but rather that they may be one. The present subjunctive used here designates ongoing action, continually be one, a oneness based on common relationship to the FATHER and the SON, and on having the same basic attitude toward the world, the Word and the need to reach out to the lost.

September 2024

**JESUS THE GURU
(EDUCATION SUNDAY, TEACHERS' DAY)**

Morning Scripture Reading:

Proverbs 4: 1 – 19

Psalms 141

Acts 22: 1 – 5

Luke 4: 31 – 44

Evening Scripture Reading:

1 Samuel 3: 1 – 10 /

Colossians 1: 24 – 29

Collect:

GOD our MASTER, You gave us YOUR SON JESUS CHRIST as teacher and mentor whom we humbly trust and accept as our Guru. HE led an exemplary life, who not only taught us but lived accordingly. Master, we submit ourselves to YOUR teaching with authority, YOUR Word has brought life which commanded the demons to leave. JESUS our Guru, guide us to experience meaningful life in YOUR teaching which is filled with care and compassion. Help us we pray that we walk humbly in YOUR teaching, through JESUS CHRIST our LORD who lives and reigns with YOU and the HOLY SPIRIT, one GOD, now and forever more.

Amen.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 2nd September 2024

Morning

Psalms- 8 and 9

Old Testament- 2 Chronicles 9: 1 – 22

New Testament- John 18: 12 – 18

Evening

Psalms- 6 and 7

Old Testament- 2 Chronicles 9: 23 – 31

New Testament- John 18: 19 – 27

Quiz for 2nd September 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 6 to 9

1) Healing... reference...?

2 Chronicles 9: 1 – 31

2) Queen Sheba's blessing...reference..?

John 18: 12 – 27

3) What was JESUS reply to the high priest...reference...?

Verses for 2nd September 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 6 to 9

Psalms 9: 1 – 2

I will praise thee, O GOD.

At the heart of every believer's relationship with GOD is the requirement to praise HIM. Praising GOD can take place in variety of ways. Praise is a keynote in the corporate worship of GOD's people. Both in the corporate worship setting and in other places, the singing of Psalms, hymns and spiritual songs is a way to express praise to GOD. Praise can be sung with the mind or with the spirit.

OLD TESTAMENT



2 Chronicles 9: 1 – 31

2 Chronicles 9: 13 – 31

The imports here mentioned, would show that prosperity drew the minds of Solomon and his subjects to the love of things curious and uncommon, though useless in themselves. True wisdom and happiness are always united together; but no such alliance exists between wealth and the enjoyment of the things of this life. Let us then acquaint ourselves with the SAVIOUR, that we may find rest for our souls. Here is Solomon reigning in wealth and power, in ease and fullness, the like of which could never since be found; for the most known of the great princes of the earth were famed for their wars; whereas Solomon reigned forty years in profound peace. The promise was fulfilled, that GOD would give him riches and honour, such as no kings have had or shall have. The lustre wherein he appeared, was typical of the spiritual glory of the kingdom of the MESSIAH, and but a faint representation of his throne, which is above every throne. Here is Solomon dying, and leaving all his wealth and power to one who he knew would be a fool! Ecclesiastes 2:18, 19. This was not only vanity, but vexation of spirit. Neither power, wealth, nor wisdom, can ward off or prepare for the stroke of death. But thanks be to GOD who giveth the victory to the true believer, even over this dreaded enemy, through JESUS CHRIST our LORD.

NEW TESTAMENT



John 18: 12 – 27

John 18: 15

Peter denied the LORD out of weakness, not out of wickedness, for he never ceased to love his MASTER and to believe in HIM. Peter was spiritually weak and incapable of resisting great temptation since he had not yet, along with the other disciples, received the HOLY SPIRIT and HIS regenerating grace in the full new covenant sense. They received the HOLY SPIRIT's indwelling presence only on the resurrection day.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 3rd September 2024

Morning

Psalms- 10 and 11

Old Testament- 2 Chronicles 10: 1 – 19

New Testament- John 18: 28 – 40

Evening

Psalms- 12; 13 and 14

Old Testament- 2 Chronicles 11: 1 – 23

New Testament- John 19: 1 – 11

Quiz for 3rd September 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 10 to 14

1) Salvation... reference...?

2 Chronicles 10: 1 – 11: 23

2) What did the LORD say to Shemaiah...the man of GOD...reference..?

John 18: 28 – 19: 11

3) Overcoming the world and worldliness...reference...?

Verses for 3rd September 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 10 to 14

Psalms 11

In the LORD, I put my trust.

This psalm rebukes those who counsel flight or compromise when Biblical principles are at stake. Faithful believers will take refuge in the LORD and remain committed to righteousness even if the moral and spiritual foundations are destroyed in both society and the church, the result will be that the LORD's countenance doth behold the upright.

OLD TESTAMENT



2 Chronicles 10: 1 – 11: 23

2 Chronicles 10: 1

The dividing of the kingdom.

This chapter marks the point when the nation of Israel was torn apart into two kingdoms. The northern kingdom was called Israel, the southern kingdom Judah. The main stream of Hebrew history is viewed at all times in this book as being the southern kingdom of Judah. The people of Judah constituted the majority of the post - exilic remnant who returned to the Holy Land and for whom Chronicles was originally written. Judah remained centre of the worship of the LORD GOD, and Judah's kings were David's descendants and thus part of the covenant promise.

NEW TESTAMENT



John 18: 28 – 19: 11

John 18: 36

My kingdom is not of this world.

Concerning the true nature of CHRIST's kingdom and its redemptive purpose, JESUS kingdom is not of this world.

JESUS followers are armed only with spiritual weapons.

CHRIST's kingdom is the Kingdom of GOD.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 4th September 2024

Morning

Psalms- 15 and 16

Old Testament- 2 Chronicles 12: 1 – 8

New Testament- John 19: 12 – 19

Evening

Psalms- 17

Old Testament- 2 Chronicles 12: 9 – 16

New Testament- John 19: 20 – 30

Quiz for 4th September 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 15; 16 and 17

1) Old Testament prophecy and New Testament fulfilment...?

2 Chronicles 12: 1 – 16

2) What did the LORD do when the princes and king of Israel humbled themselves...reference..?

John 19: 12 – 30

3) Words spoken from the Cross in this portion...reference...?

Verses for 4th September 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 15; 16 and 17

Psalms 17: 8

Keep me as the apple of the eye.

The psalmist uses two figures that recall GOD's love and care for His faithful people. The apple of the eye is the pupil and is a Hebrew metaphor expressing something greatly valued and dear. The shadow of THY wings is a metaphor drawn from the imagery of a hen protecting her chicks under her wings, thus it expresses tender protection.

CHRIST used this metaphor to express His love for Israel. All believers should pray that GOD will reach out to protect us in times of danger just like someone who instinctively reacts to guard the pupil of the eye from harm.

OLD TESTAMENT



2 Chronicles 12: 1 – 16

2 Chronicles 12: 7

They have humbled themselves.

If we have sinned and are being punished for it, we should humble ourselves before GOD and confess that His judgements are righteous. The LORD will forgive our trespassers and restore us to HIS grace and favour, and He may even reduce the chastisement we must bear.

NEW TESTAMENT



John 19: 12 – 30

John 19: 14

The Sixth hour.

John states that JESUS trial neared completion, about the sixth hour.

Mark, however, says that JESUS was crucified at the third hour. This apparent contradiction is resolved if we understand that John used the Roman method of computing time, while Mark used the Palestinian method. The Roman day began at midnight, and the Palestinian day began at sunrise.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 5th September 2024

Morning

Psalms- 18: 1 – 24

Old Testament- 2 Chronicles 13: 1 – 12

New Testament- John 19: 31 – 37

Evening

Psalms- 18: 25 – 50

Old Testament- 2 Chronicles 13: 13 – 22

New Testament- John 19: 38 – 42

Quiz for 5th September 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 18

1) Salvation reference...?

2 Chronicles 13: 1 – 22

2) Walking in obedience and righteousness ...reference..?

John 19: 31 – 42

3) Who took the body of JESUS and laid in the sepulchre...reference...?

Verses for 5th September 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 18

This psalm we met with before, in the history of David's life, 2 Samuel 22. That was the first edition of it; here we have it revived, altered a little, and fitted for the service of the church.

It is David's thanksgiving for the many deliverances GOD had wrought for him; these he desired always to preserve fresh in his own memory and to diffuse and entail the knowledge of them. It is an admirable composition. The poetry is very fine, the images are bold, the expressions lofty, and every word is proper and significant; but the piety far exceeds the poetry.

Holy faith, and love, and joy, and praise, and hope, are here lively, active, and upon the wing.

- I. He triumphs in GOD (verses 1 to 3).
- II. He magnifies the deliverances GOD had wrought for him (verses 4 to 19).
- III. He takes the comfort of his integrity, which GOD had thereby cleared up (verses 20 to 28).
- IV. He gives to GOD the glory of all his achievements (verses 29 to 42).
- V. He encourages himself with the expectation of what GOD would further do for him and his descendants (verses 43 to 50).

OLD TESTAMENT



2 Chronicles 13: 1 – 22

2 Chronicles 13: 1

Abijah began to reign over Judah...

Chronicles record the victory of Abijah because he and the men of Judah relied on GOD. The author of kings does not record the incident, however states that Abijah walked in all the sins of his father. Chronicles wanted to emphasize the exceptional moments of faith and obedience in order to show Israel that GOD would help and deliver if they trusted and obeyed.

NEW TESTAMENT



John 19: 31 – 42

John 19: 41

New sepulchre...

The tomb had been hewn out of solid rock. It was probably large enough to walk into, but with a low entrance. After placing the body of JESUS in the tomb, Joseph rolled a big stone in front of its entrance.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 6th September 2024

Morning

Psalms- 19 and 20

Old Testament- 2 Chronicles 14: 1 – 15

New Testament- John 20: 1 – 10

Evening

Psalms- 21

Old Testament- 2 Chronicles 15: 1 – 7

New Testament- John 20: 11 – 18

Quiz for 6th September 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 19; 20 and 21

1) Whom did the king / Leader trust? What was the result? Reference?

2 Chronicles 14: 1 – 15: 7

2) How many times is seek, sought the LORD mentioned in this passage...reference..?

John 20: 1 – 18

3) Knew not the scripture...reference...?

Verses for 6th September 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 19; 20 and 21

Psalms 21: 7 – 13

The psalmist teaches to look forward with faith, and hope, and prayer upon what GOD would further do. The success with which GOD blessed David, was a type of the total overthrow of all CHRIST's enemies. Those who might have had CHRIST to rule and save them, but rejected HIM and fought against HIM, shall find the remembrance of it a worm that dies not. GOD makes sinners willing by HIS grace, receives them to HIS favour, and delivers them from the wrath to come. May HE

exalt HIMSELF, by HIS all-powerful grace, in our hearts, destroying all the strongholds of sin and satan.

How great should be our joy and praise to behold our Brother and Friend upon the throne, and for all the blessings we may expect from HIM! Yet HE delights in HIS exalted state, as enabling HIM to confer happiness and glory on poor sinners, who are taught to love and trust in HIM.

OLD TESTAMENT



2 Chronicles 14: 1 – 15: 7

2 Chronicles 15: 2

If ye seek HIM.

Seeking the LORD faithfully has wonderful results. Those who seek the LORD will experience the peace and rest of GOD. This means not merely the absence of conflict, but the experience of forgiveness, a clear conscience and a spiritual, physical, mental and emotional well-being that comes from a growing, life giving relationship with GOD.

NEW TESTAMENT

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John 20: 1 – 18

John 20: 9

He is risen...

The resurrection of JESUS is confirmed by the following facts.

- The empty tomb.
- The existence, the power, the joy and devotion of the early church.
- The writings of the New Testament.

Millions of people throughout experience in their own hearts the presence of CHRIST and the witness of the HOLY SPIRIT.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 7th September 2024

Morning

Psalms- 22

Old Testament- 2 Chronicles 15: 8 – 19

New Testament- John 20: 19 – 25

Evening

Psalms- 23 and 24

Old Testament- 2 Chronicles 16: 1 – 14

New Testament- John 20: 26 – 31

Verses for 7th September 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 22; 23 and 24

Psalms 23: 2

HE makes me to lie down.

Because of the presence and nearness of the shepherd I can lie down in peace, free from all fear. The Holy Spirit as my Comforter, Counsellor and Helper communicates CHRIST's shepherding care and presence to me.

OLD TESTAMENT



2 Chronicles 15: 8 – 16: 14

2 Chronicles 16: 9

The eyes of the LORD run to and fro throughout the whole earth. GOD so values those who are devoted to HIM that HE searches throughout the earth to mark all who love HIM faithfully and identify themselves with HIS cause GOD does this to strongly support and bless such people in their righteous endeavours, their deeds of faith, and in times of danger, affliction or trials.

NEW TESTAMENT

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John 20: 19 – 31

John 20: 20

This was the first day of the week, and this day is afterwards often mentioned by the sacred writers; for it was evidently set apart as the Christian Sabbath, in remembrance of CHRIST's resurrection.

The disciples had shut the doors for fear of the Jews; and when they had no such expectation, JESUS HIMSELF came and stood in the midst of them, having miraculously, though silently, opened the doors. It is a comfort to CHRIST's disciples, when their assemblies can only be held in private, which no doors can shut out CHRIST's presence. When HE manifests HIS love to believers by the comforts of HIS SPIRIT, HE assures them that because HE lives, they shall live also. A sight of CHRIST will gladden the heart of a disciple at any time; and the more we see of JESUS, the more we shall rejoice. HE said, Receive ye the HOLY GHOST, thus showing that their spiritual life, as well as all their ability for their work, would be derived from HIM, and depended upon HIM.

Every word of CHRIST which is received in the heart by faith, comes accompanied by this Divine breathing; and without this there is neither light nor life. Nothing is seen, known, discerned, or felt of GOD, but through this.

After this, CHRIST directed the apostles to declare the only method by which sin would be forgiven. This power did not exist at all in the apostles as a power to give judgment, but only as a power to declare the character of those whom GOD would accept or reject in the Day of Judgment. They have clearly laid down the marks whereby a child of GOD may be discerned and be distinguished from a false professor; and according to what they have declared shall every case be decided in the Day of Judgment. When we assemble in CHRIST's name, especially on HIS holy day, HE will meet with us, and speak peace to us.

The Disciples of CHRIST should endeavour to build up one another in their most holy faith, both by repeating what they have heard to those that were absent, and by making known what they have experienced. Thomas limited the Holy One of Israel, when he would be convinced by his own method or not at all. He might justly have been left in his unbelief, after rejecting such abundant proofs. The fears and sorrows of the disciples are often lengthened, to punish their negligence.

WOMEN PARTNERS IN GOD'S LIBERATIVE ACT (Women's Sunday)

Morning Scripture Reading:

Exodus 1: 15 – 22

Psalms 148

Romans 16: 1 – 16

Mark 15: 37 – 41

Evening Scripture Reading:

Leviticus 19: 9 – 18 /

James 2: 15 – 17

Collect:

Almighty GOD, Liberator of all kinds of bondages, we thank You for calling women and men to be partners with You to liberate people from the bondage of slavery and sin. We pray now O GOD to look upon Your church so that women and men together commit themselves to be used by You as Your partners to bring peace and reconciliation everywhere. Through JESUS CHRIST our LORD who lives and reigns with YOU in unity with the HOLY SPIRIT, one GOD, now and forever more.

Amen.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 9th September 2024

Morning

Psalms- 29 and 30

Old Testament- 2 Chronicles 17: 1 – 9

New Testament- John 21: 1 – 14

Evening

Psalms- 31

Old Testament- 2 Chronicles 17: 10 – 19

New Testament- John 21: 1 – 25

Quiz for 9th September 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 29; 30 and 31

1) Old Testament Prophecy and New Testament fulfilment...?

2 Chronicles 17: 1 – 19

2) Spiritual revival...reference..?

John 21: 1 – 25

3) Taking guidance from the LORD...reference...?

Verses for 9th September 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 29; 30 and 31

Psalms 29

The mighty and honourable of the earth are especially bound to honour and worship HIM; but, alas, few attempt to worship HIM in the beauty of holiness.

When we come before HIM as the Redeemer of sinners, in repentance faith, and love, HE will accept our defective services, pardon the sin that cleaves to them, and approve of that measure of holiness which the HOLY SPIRIT enables us to exercise.

We have here the nature of religious worship; it is giving to the LORD the glory due to HIS name. We must be holy in all our religious services, devoted to GOD, and to HIS will and glory.

There is a beauty in holiness, and that puts beauty upon all acts of worship. The psalmist here sets forth GOD's dominion in the kingdom of nature. In the thunder, and lightning, and storm, we may see and hear HIS glory.

Let our hearts be thereby filled with great, and high, and honourable thoughts of GOD, in the holy adoring of whom, the power of godliness so much consists. O LORD our GOD, THOU art very great! The power of the lightning equals the terror of the thunder. The fear caused by these effects of the Divine power, should remind us of the mighty power of GOD, of man's weakness, and of the defenceless and desperate condition of the wicked in the Day of Judgment. But the effects of the Divine Word upon the souls of men, under the power of the HOLY SPIRIT, are far greater than those of thunder storms in the nature world. Thereby the stoutest are made to tremble, the proudest are cast down, the secrets of the heart are brought to light, sinners are converted, the savage, sensual, and unclean, become harmless, gentle, and pure.

If we have heard GOD's voice, and have fled for refuge to the hope set before us, let us remember that children need not fear their FATHER's voice, when HE speaks in anger to his enemies. While those tremble who are without shelter, let those who abide in HIS appointed refuge bless HIM for their security, looking forward to the Day of Judgment without dismay, safe as Noah in the ark.

OLD TESTAMENT



2 Chronicles 17: 1 – 19

2 Chronicles 17: 9

They taught ...The book of the law.

A spiritual revival will not happen, if it is not based solidly upon the Word of GOD and an earnest commitment to follow its teachings. This is as true under the new covenant as it was under the old.

Any spiritual movement not firmly based on the original and fundamental revelation of CHRIST and the apostles is doomed to failure, or prone to emotionalism or humanism.

NEW TESTAMENT

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John 21: 1 – 25

John 21: 6

Cast the net on the right side.

It is crucial to receive guidance from the LORD in all our work. If we live without CHRIST's presence and guiding hand, then much of what we do becomes empty failure and wasted effort.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 10th September 2024

Morning

Psalms- 33

Old Testament- 2 Chronicles 18: 1 – 11

New Testament- 1 John 1: 1 – 4

Evening

Psalms- 32

Old Testament- 2 Chronicles 18: 12 – 22

New Testament- 1 John 1: 6 – 10

Quiz for 10th September 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 32 and 33

1) A prayer during distress...Psalm number...?

2 Chronicles 18: 1 – 22

2) Lying spirit...reference..?

1 John 1: 1 – 10

3) Witnessing...reference...?

Verses for 10th September 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 32 and 33

Psalms 32: 2

Imputeth not iniquity.

Romans 4: 6 -- 8 quotes verses 1 -- 2 to show that GOD treats sincerely repentant sinners as righteous, not because righteousness is something they earn through works but rather receive as a gift when they confess their sins and believe in the LORD.

OLD TESTAMENT



2 Chronicles 18: 1 – 22

2 Chronicles 18: 22

A lying spirit.

The lying spirit can be understood as one of satan's agents, an evil spirit sent by GOD to condemn Ahab and the false prophets in their sin. Their hearts were hardened against the truth to such an extent that GOD finally gave them over to a lie as the due penalty for their sin. The same kind of judging will take place in the last days of this age when GOD will send a strong delusion, to all who received not the love of the truth ...but had pleasure in unrighteousness. The deception will come from the working of satan, that they all might be damned who believed not the truth.

NEW TESTAMENT



1 John 1: 1 – 10

1 John 1: 2

Eternal life...

John defines eternal life in terms of CHRIST. It can be found only through faith in and fellowship with JESUS CHRIST.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 11th September 2024

Morning

Psalms- 34

Old Testament- 2 Chronicles 18: 23 – 34

New Testament- 1 John 2: 1 – 6

Evening

Psalms- 35

Old Testament- 2 Chronicles 19: 1 – 11

New Testament- 1 John 2: 7 – 11

Quiz for 11th September 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 34 and 35

1) Old Testament Prophecy and New Testament fulfilment ...?

2 Chronicles 18: 23 – 19: 11

2) Jehoshaphat advise to the judges...reference..?

1 John 2: 1 – 11

3) Walking in obedience and righteousness...reference...?

Verses for 11th September 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 34 and 35

Psalms 35: 4

Let them be confounded and put to shame.

The New Testament believer may use this prayer as a call to GOD to contend with our greatest enemy, satan, and as a testimony of our hatred to sin and evil.

OLD TESTAMENT



2 Chronicles 18: 23 – 19: 11

2 Chronicles 19: 2

Should thou help the ungodly....?

Jehoshaphat is rebuked for associating with Ahab and helping this enemy of GOD. Believers should not associate with the ungodly if in that relationship the cause of unrighteousness is advanced, our commitment to GOD is jeopardized or the truth of GOD's Word is compromised.

NEW TESTAMENT

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1 John 2: 1 – 11

1 John 2: 2

Propitiation...

Propitiation means that JESUS took on HIMSELF the punishment for our sins and satisfied GOD's righteous judgement against sin. Forgiveness is now offered to everyone throughout the world and is received by those who turn to CHRIST in repentance and faith.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 12th September 2024

Morning

Psalms- 36 and 37: 1 – 11

Old Testament- 2 Chronicles 20: 1 – 13

New Testament- 1 John 2: 12 – 17

Evening

Psalms- 37: 12 – 40

Old Testament- 2 Chronicles 20: 14 – 19

New Testament- 1 John 2: 18 – 21

Quiz for 12th September 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 36 and 37

1) Overcoming the world and worldliness...reference...?

2 Chronicles 20: 1 – 19

2) What did Jehoshaphat do when he learnt enemies were going to attack Judah...reference..?

1 John 2: 12 – 21

3) Overcoming the world and worldliness...reference...?

Verses for 12th September 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 36 and 37

Psalms 37: 4

Delight thyself also in the LORD.

To delight yourself in the LORD is to desire and enjoy the nearness of HIS presence and the truth and righteousness of HIS Word. To those who delight themselves in the LORD, GOD gives the desires of their hearts.

OLD TESTAMENT



2 Chronicles 20: 1 – 19

2 Chronicles 20: 3

Proclaimed fast...

Seeking the LORD can be intensified through fasting. Fasting as a spiritual discipline should accompany our prayer life, not only in times of crisis, but also with some regularity in our servant pursuit of GOD.

NEW TESTAMENT



1 John 2: 12 – 21

1 John 2: 20

An unction.

Believers receive an anointing from CHRIST, namely, the HOLY SPIRIT. Through the Spirit of truth we know all things of truth.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 13th September 2024

Morning

Psalms- 38

Old Testament- 2 Chronicles 20: 20 – 30

New Testament- 1 John 2: 22 – 29

Evening

Psalms- 39

Old Testament- 2 Chronicles 20: 31 – 37

New Testament- 1 John 3: 1 – 6

Quiz for 13th September 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 38 and 39

1) Sin not with my tongue...reference...?

2 Chronicles 20: 20 – 37

2) Faith that moves mountains...reference..?

1 John 2: 22 – 3: 6

3) Second coming...reference...?

Verses for 13th September 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 38 and 39

Psalms 38: 21

Be not far from me.

One terrible consequence of wilful sin is the loss of GOD's fellowship and the sense of His presence. It is grievous and bitter experience to commit wilful sin after knowing the mercy of GOD and the indwelling of the HOLY SPIRIT.

OLD TESTAMENT



2 Chronicles 20: 20 – 37

2 Chronicles 20: 33

High places.

These were elevated areas where idolatrous worship took place. GOD wanted His people to destroy these places completely lest they be led into such worship. The presence and temptation that the high places represented in the land testified to Judah's lack of fervent love and loyalty to the LORD GOD and HIS covenant.

NEW TESTAMENT

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1 John 2: 22 – 3: 6

1 John 2: 27

The same anointing teacheth you.

All children of GOD are given the "anointing" HOLY SPIRIT to help lead them into the truth. As we believers abide in CHRIST and submit to the Word of GOD, the SPIRIT helps us to understand its redemptive truths and draw upon its life.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 14th September 2024

Morning

Psalms- 40

Old Testament- 2 Chronicles 21: 1 – 7

New Testament- 1 John 3: 7 – 12

Evening

Psalms- 41

Old Testament- 2 Chronicles 21: 8 – 20

New Testament- 1 John 3: 13 – 18

Verses for 14th September 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 40 and 41

Psalms 40: 8

Thy law is written in my heart.

The obedient faith that GOD desires is a faith that sincerely delights in following GOD's will and manifests that joy by striving to hide GOD's Word in the heart.

OLD TESTAMENT



2 Chronicles 21: 1 – 20

2 Chronicles 21: 1 – 20

Never surely did any kingdom change its king so much for the worse as Judah did, when Jehoram, one of the vilest, succeeded Jehoshaphat, one of the best. Thus were they punished for not making a better use of Jehoshaphat's good government, and their disaffectedness (or coldness at least) to his reformation, 20:33. Those that knew not how to value a good king are justly plagued with a bad one.

Here is,

- I. Jehoram's elevation to the throne (verses 1-3).
- II. The wicked course he took to establish himself in it, by the murder of his brethren (verse 4).
- III. The idolatries and other wickedness he was guilty of (verses 5, 6, 11).
- IV. The prophecy of Elijah against him (verses 12-15).
- V. The judgments of GOD upon him, in the revolt of his subjects from him (verses 8-10) and the success of his enemies against him (verses 16, 17).
- VI. His miserable sickness and inglorious exit (verses 18-20).
- VII. The preservation of the house of David notwithstanding (verse 7).

NEW TESTAMENT

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1 John 3: 7 – 18

1 John 3: 17

His brother hath need.

Love is expressed by sincerely helping persons in need by sharing our earthly possessions with them. To refuse to give of our food, clothing or money to help others in real need is to close our hearts to them. This also includes giving our money to help spread the gospel to them who have not heard.

MY PEACE I GIVE TO YOU

Morning Scripture Reading:

Zechariah 8: 12 – 19

Psalms 119: 161 – 176

Romans 5: 1 – 5

John 16: 16 – 33

Evening Scripture Reading:

Nahum 1: 9 – 15 /

James 3: 13 – 18

Collect:

ALMIGHTY GOD who transforms our weakness into strength, our despairs into hope.

We thank YOU for YOUR promise that our sorrow shall be turned into joy.

Encourage us by YOUR Word to love the truth and peace; by YOUR SPIRIT to become agents of Peace and reconciliation in this world of pain and suffering; anguish and hostility, through HIM who is the prince of peace, who lives and reigns with YOU and the HOLY SPIRIT, one GOD, now and forever more.

Amen.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 16th September 2024

Morning

Psalms- 45

Old Testament- 2 Chronicles 22: 1 – 9

New Testament- 1 John 3: 19 – 24

Evening

Psalms- 46

Old Testament- 2 Chronicles 22: 10 – 12

New Testament- 1 John 4: 1 – 6

Quiz for 16th September 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 45 and 46

1) Faith that moves Mountains...Psalm number...?

2 Chronicles 22: 1 – 12

2) Who rescued Joash...reference..?

1 John 3: 19 – 4: 6

3) Greater is he that is in you...reference...?

Verses for 16th September 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 45 and 46

Psalms 46: 4

There is a river.

GOD's river is the continual flow of HIS grace, glory and power in the midst of HIS faithful people. This pure life -giving river flows from GOD the FATHER, GOD the SON and the HOLY SPIRIT, it flows from the throne of GOD and constantly refreshes believers, both those on earth and those in heaven. The most significant blessing of this river is that it brings GOD into the midst of His people. The LORD of hosts is with us.

OLD TESTAMENT



2 Chronicles 22: 1 – 12

2 Chronicles 22: 1 – 12

The counsel of the ungodly ruins many young persons' when they are setting out in the world.

Ahaziah gave himself up to be led by evil men. Those who advise us to do wickedly, counsel us to our destruction; while they pretend to be friends, they are our worst enemies. See and dread the mischief of bad company. If not the infection, yet let the destruction be feared, Revelation 18:4. We have here, a wicked woman endeavouring to destroy the house of David, and a good woman preserving it.

No word of GOD shall fall to the ground. The whole truth of the prophecies that the MESSIAH was to come from David, and thereby the salvation of the world, appeared to be now hung upon the brittle thread of the life of a single infant, to destroy whom was the interest of the reigning power. But GOD had purposed, and vain were the efforts of earth and hell.

NEW TESTAMENT



1 John 3: 19 – 4: 6

1 John 4: 4

Greater is HE that is in you.

Scripture emphasizes, that the HOLY SPIRIT dwells within the believer. Through the SPIRIT, we can overcome the evil in the world, including sin, satan, temptations, persecution and false teaching, and we can live victoriously according to GOD's will for our lives in CHRIST.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 17th September 2024

Morning

Psalms- 47 and 48

Old Testament- 2 Chronicles 23: 1 – 11

New Testament- 1 John 4: 7 – 10

Evening

Psalms- 49

Old Testament- 2 Chronicles 23: 1 – 21

New Testament- 1 John 4: 11 – 16

Quiz for 17th September 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 47; 48 and 49

1) The Folly of trusting riches...Psalm number...?

2 Chronicles 23: 1 – 21

2) Who anointed Joash as king...reference..?

1 John 4: 7 – 16

3) What is the source of love...reference...?

Verses for 17th September 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 47; 48 and 49

Psalms 48: 14

GOD...will be our guide even unto death.

The LORD has committed HIMSELF to be the believers' faithful and constant guide throughout life, in the experience of death and beyond death to the eternal home where we will be with HIM forever.

OLD TESTAMENT



2 Chronicles 23: 1 – 21

2 Chronicles 23: 1 – 21

Joash crowned and Athaliah slain.

To look upon ourselves and each other as the LORD's people, should make us earnest in the discharge of our duty both to GOD and man. Thus was this happy revolution brought about, and the people rejoiced. When the Son of David is enthroned in the soul, all is quiet and joyful. (Read 2 Kings 11)

NEW TESTAMENT

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1 John 4: 7 – 16

1 John 4: 7

Let us love one another.

Although is an aspect of the SPIRIT's fruit and an evidence of the new birth it is also something that we are responsible to develop. For this reason John exhorts us to love others, to be concerned about them and to seek their needs.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 18th September 2024

Morning

Psalms- 50

Old Testament- 2 Chronicles 24: 1 – 14

New Testament- 1 John 4: 17 – 21

Evening

Psalms- 51

Old Testament- 2 Chronicles 24: 15 – 27

New Testament- 1 John 5: 1 – 5

Quiz for 18th September 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 50 and 51

1) Title of Psalm 51...?

2 Chronicles 24: 1 – 27

2) HOLY SPIRIT...reference..?

1 John 4: 17 – 5: 5

3) Overcoming the world and worldliness...reference...?

Verses for 18th September 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 50 and 51

Psalms 51: 5

I was shapen in iniquity.

David acknowledges that from his infancy he possessed a natural propensity to sin, elsewhere in Scripture referred to as the lust, works or sins of the flesh. Because of this sinful nature, every person is marred from birth by a selfish inclination to pursue his or her own desires and pleasures, even if it causes pain and suffering for others. The problem of the sinful nature and its desires within us can be resolved only by the power of the Cross and the enabling grace of the HOLY SPIRIT.

OLD TESTAMENT



2 Chronicles 24: 1 – 27

2 Chronicles 24: 20

The SPIRIT of GOD came upon Zechariah.

The HOLY SPIRIT came upon Zechariah, and he exposed and rebuked the sin of Joash and the officials of Judah. The work of conviction concerning sin is a primary function of the HOLY SPIRIT. Often through using a godly spokesman such as Zechariah, the SPIRIT uncovers guilt in order to lead people to repentance.

NEW TESTAMENT



1 John 3: 19 – 4: 6

1 John 5: 4

Overcometh the world... even our faith.

The faith that overcomes the world is a faith that sees eternal realities, experiences the power of GOD and loves CHRIST to such an extent that the world sinful pleasures ungodly ways and selfish materialism not only loose their attraction for us but also are looked upon with disgust, aversion and grief.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 19th September 2024

Morning

Psalms- 52 and 53

Old Testament- 2 Chronicles 25: 1 – 13

New Testament- 1 John 5: 6 – 12

Evening

Psalms- 54

Old Testament- 2 Chronicles 25: 14 – 28

New Testament- 1 John 5: 13 – 21

Quiz for 19th September 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 52; 53 and 54

1) Psalm 52 refers to which situation?

2 Chronicles 25: 1 – 28

2) What did the man of GOD advise Amaziah regarding alliances with Israel for war...reference..?

1 John 5: 6 – 21

3) Salvation...reference...?

Verses for 19th September 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 52; 53 and 54

Psalms 52: 6 – 9

Those wretchedly deceive themselves, who think to support themselves in power and wealth without GOD. The wicked man trusted in the abundance of his riches; he thought his wickedness would help him to keep his wealth. Right or wrong, he would get what he could, and keep what he had, and ruin any one that stood in his way; this he thought would strengthen him; but see what it comes to! Those who by faith and love dwell in the house of GOD, shall be like green olive-trees there. And

that we may be as green olive-trees, we must live a life of faith and holy confidence in GOD and HIS grace. It adds much to the beauty of our profession, and to fruitfulness in every grace, to be much in praising GOD; and we never can want matter for praise. His name alone can be our refuge and strong tower. It is very good for us to wait on that saving name; there is nothing better to calm and quiet our spirits, when disturbed, and to keep us in the way of duty, when tempted to use any crooked courses for our relief, than to hope, and quietly wait for the salvation of the LORD. None ever followed his guidance but it ended well.

OLD TESTAMENT



2 Chronicles 25: 1 – 28

2 Chronicles 25: 7

Let not the army of Israel go with thee.

The writer of Chronicles emphasizes GOD's condemnation and Judah's failure to trust in GOD. An alliance with those whom GOD opposes the (enemies of GOD) could result in GOD causing defeat for His people this truth was often reiterated by GOD's prophets.

NEW TESTAMENT



1 John 5: 6 – 21

1 John 5: 17

A sin not unto death.

John distinguishes between two types of sin. Less serious sins that do not immediately lead to spiritual death and sins so terrible that they indicate a purposeful rebellion against GOD, HIS grace in CHRIST and HIS Word, resulting from or leading to spiritual death and separation from the life of GOD

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 20th September 2024

Morning

Psalms- 55

Old Testament- 2 Chronicles 26: 1 – 10

New Testament- 2 John: 1 – 3

Evening

Psalms- 56

Old Testament- 2 Chronicles 26: 11 – 23

New Testament- 2 John: 4 – 8

Quiz for 20th September 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 55 and 56

1) A song of the distressed...psalm number...?

2 Chronicles 26: 1 – 23

2) Why was Uzziah struck with leprosy...reference..?

2 John: 1 – 8

3) Who has the Father and the Son...reference...?

Verses for 20th September 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 55 and 56

Psalms 55: 22

Cast thy burden upon the LORD...

When facing trials too great to bear, GOD invites us to cast our burdens and cares upon HIM. HE then bears the weight and sustains us in every situation.

The HOLY SPIRIT has repeated this invitation throughout redemptive history. JESUS gave this invitation in Matthew 11: 28 – 30. The apostle Peter stated that believers should humble themselves before GOD. Casting all your care upon HIM for HE

careth for you. And the apostle Paul exhorted us to bring all our anxieties to GOD in prayer, promising that the peace of GOD will guard our hearts and minds.

OLD TESTAMENT



2 Chronicles 26: 1 – 23

2 Chronicles 26: 1

Uzziah...

(Azariah's life) is divided into two parts, the years he sought the LORD and the years he was unfaithful to the LORD. The Bible emphasizes that seeking GOD results in blessing and help, whereas failure to seek GOD results in spiritual decline and judgement.

NEW TESTAMENT



2 John: 1 – 8

2 John: 2 & 3

Grace, mercy and peace, be with you...

The conditions for receiving GOD's grace, mercy and peace are to guard the truth and to love others. To fail to do either will cause the church to lose GOD's blessings.

CSI Almanac – 21st September 2024, Saturday

Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist

Old Testament Reading:

Proverbs 3: 13 – 17 /

Isaiah 33: 13 – 17

Psalms Reading:

Psalms 18: 1 – 6, 20 – 30

Epistle Reading:

2 Corinthians 4: 1 – 6 /

1 John 2: 15 – 17

Gospel Reading:

Matthew 9: 9 – 13

Collect:

Almighty GOD, whose blessed son called Matthew from the pursuit of worldly gain to become an apostle and evangelist; free us from all covetous desires and love of money, and grant that, trusting only You, we may obey the call of our LORD and SAVIOUR JESUS CHRIST, who lives and reigns with YOU and the HOLY SPIRIT, One GOD, now and forever more.

Amen.

CHRISTIAN RESPONSE TO POVERTY

Morning Scripture Reading:

Amos 8: 4 – 7

Psalms 145

James 2: 1 – 7

Luke 16: 19 – 31

Evening Scripture Reading:

Amos 2: 4 – 8 /

2 Corinthians 8: 8 – 15

Collect:

Sustainer GOD who renews and replenishes the creation with Your bountiful grace and goodness. Open our hearts and minds to see the need of world around us and enrich our lives to be shared like JESUS CHRIST on the Cross who emptied HIMSELF for all with love and care, through JESUS CHRIST our LORD, who lives and reigns with YOU and the HOLY SPIRIT, One GOD, now and forever.

Amen.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 23rd September 2024

Morning

Psalms- 62 and 63

Old Testament- 2 Chronicles 28: 15 – 27

New Testament- 3 John: 5 – 8

Evening

Psalms- 64 and 65

Old Testament- 2 Chronicles 29: 1 – 11

New Testament- 3 John: 9 – 14

Quiz for 23rd September 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 62 to 65

1) Salvation...psalm number...?

2 Chronicles 28: 15 – 29: 11

2) How did Hezekiah begin his reign...reference..?

3 John: 5 – 14

3) How was Demetrius reputation...reference...?

Verses for 23rd September 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 62 to 65

Psalms 65: 4

Blessed is the man whom thou chooseth, and causes causest to approach unto thee. Our greatest joy is to be near GOD and to enjoy communion with HIM, this is now possible for all believers through the sacrifice of JESUS CHRIST and through the indwelling HOLY SPIRIT. The Bible exhorts us to draw near to GOD continually, that we might receive HIS mercy and strength to help us in our times of need. Our greatest shame would be to treat lightly this privilege of nearness with GOD, considering it to be unworthy of our constant endeavour.

OLD TESTAMENT



2 Chronicles 28: 15 – 29: 11

2 Chronicles 29: 5

Sanctify now yourselves....carry forth the filthiness out.

In order for GOD's people to experience revival and renewal, four things are indispensable. Confession of specific sins. We must recognize those areas of our lives where we have departed from GOD's will and Word and must confess those specific sins.

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NEW TESTAMENT

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3 John: 5 – 14

3 John: 5 – 14

Thou mayest prosper and be in health.

It is GOD's provision and intention that we as believers be healthy and our lives be accompanied by HIS Blessings. HE wants all to go well with us, that our work plans purposes , ministry ,families etc go according to GOD's will and direction.Thus GOD's blessings through redemption in CHRIST are intended to meet both physical and spiritual needs.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 24th September 2024

Morning

Psalms- 66

Old Testament- 2 Chronicles 29: 12 – 25

New Testament- Hebrews 1: 1 – 4

Evening

Psalms- 67

Old Testament- 2 Chronicles 29: 26 – 36

New Testament- Hebrews 1: 5 – 9

Quiz for 24th September 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 66 and 67

1) Witnessing psalm...psalm number...?

2 Chronicles 29: 12 – 36

2) How many days did they take sanctify the house of the LORD ...reference..?

Hebrews 1: 1 – 9

3) Through whom did GOD speak to us in these last days...reference...?

Verses for 24th September 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 66 and 67

Psalms 66: 18

If I regard iniquity in my heart.

Those who take pleasure in unrighteousness have no hope of answered prayer when they call on GOD.

GOD wants us separated from sin, only then will he respond to us as a Father to a son.

OLD TESTAMENT



2 Chronicles 29: 12 – 36

2 Chronicles 29: 20 – 36

As soon as Hezekiah heard that the temple was ready, he lost no time. Atonement must be made for the sins of the last reign. It was not enough to lament and forsake those sins; they brought a sin-offering. Our repentance and reformation will not obtain pardon but in and through CHRIST, who was made sin, that is, a sin-offering for us. While the offerings were on the altar, the Levites sang. Sorrow for sin must not prevent us from praising GOD. The king and the congregation gave their consent to all that was done. It is not enough for us to be where GOD is worshipped, if we do not ourselves worship with the heart. And we should offer up our spiritual sacrifices of praise and thanksgiving, and devote ourselves and all we have, as sacrifices, acceptable to the FATHER only through the Redeemer.

NEW TESTAMENT



Hebrews 1: 1 – 9

Hebrews 1: 3

Sat down on the right hand.

After CHRIST provided the forgiveness of our sins by HIS death on the Cross, HE took HIS place of authority at the right hand of GOD. CHRIST's redeeming activity in heaven involves HIS ministry as divine mediator, high priest, and intercessor and baptized in the HOLY SPIRIT.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 25th September 2024

Morning

Psalms- 68: 1 – 20 & 24 – 35

Old Testament- 2 Chronicles 30: 1 – 9

New Testament- Hebrews 1: 10 – 14

Evening

Psalms- 69: 1 – 21 & 29 – 36

Old Testament- 2 Chronicles 30: 10 – 20

New Testament- Hebrews 2: 1 – 4

Quiz for 25th September 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 68: 1 – 20 & 24 – 35 and 69: 1 – 21 & 29 – 36

1) Old Testament Prophecy and New Testament fulfilment...?

2 Chronicles 30: 1 – 20

2) Healing...reference..?

Hebrews 1: 10 – 2: 4

3) Fruits of the HOLY SPIRIT...reference...?

Verses for 25th September 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 68: 1 – 20 & 24 – 35 and 69: 1 – 21 & 29 – 36

Psalms 68

Let GOD arise.

This psalm celebrating GOD's rule over and care of His people Israel and HIS victory over his enemies, may foreshadow CHRIST's destruction of evil and the evil one at the end of the age, and the triumph of all believers in CHRIST, as they rejoice eternally in the presence of GOD.

OLD TESTAMENT



2 Chronicles 30: 1 – 20

2 Chronicles 30: 13 – 20

The great thing needful in attendance upon GOD in solemn ordinances, is, that we make heart-work of it; all is nothing without this. Where this sincerity and fixedness of heart are, there may yet be many things short of the purification of the sanctuary. These defects need pardoning, healing grace; for omissions in duty are sins, as well as omissions of duty. If GOD should deal with us in strict justice, even as to the very best of our doings, we should be undone. The way to obtain pardon, is to seek it of GOD by prayer; it must be gotten by petition through the blood of CHRIST. Yet every defect is sin, and needs forgiveness; and should be matter to humble, but not to discourage us, though nothing can make up for the want of a heart prepared to seek the LORD.

NEW TESTAMENT



Hebrews 1: 10 – 2: 4

Hebrews 2: 3

Confirmed unto us.

The apostolic gospel was first announced by the LORD JESUS HIMSELF then confirmed by the testimony of those who had actually heard and known JESUS first hand during HIS earthly life.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 26th September 2024

Morning

Psalms- 70 and 71: 1 – 16

Old Testament- 2 Chronicles 30: 21 – 27

New Testament- Hebrews 2: 5 – 9

Evening

Psalms- 71: 17 – 24

Old Testament- 2 Chronicles 31: 1 – 10

New Testament- Hebrews 2: 10 – 18

Quiz for 26th September 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 70 and 71

1) Prayer for an aged man...psalm number...?

2 Chronicles 30: 21 – 31: 10

2) How the people were blessed...reference..?

Hebrews 2: 5 – 18

3) Who was made little lower than the angels...reference...?

Verses for 26th September 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 70 and 71

Psalms 71: 18

Until I have showed...THY power to everyone that is to come.

Our hope and purpose in life should be to abide in GOD and in the fullness of HIS SPIRIT, so that HIS power and goodness might be clearly manifested in our lives, thus the next generation will be inspired to seek earnestly GOD's kingdom and HIS righteousness.

OLD TESTAMENT



2 Chronicles 30: 21 – 31: 10

2 Chronicles 31: 10

The LORD hath blessed his people.

Sowing generously unto GOD's house and kingdom will bring in return an abundant harvest of GOD's blessings.

Are we willing to give generously of our means for GOD's work and ministry, both locally and abroad? Unwillingness to do so is a sign that our love for GOD and His cause is less than complete.

GOD wants us to serve HIM, not money.

NEW TESTAMENT



Hebrews 2: 5 – 18

Hebrews 2: 18

He is able to succour.

When we are tempted to be disloyal to GOD and give into sin, we should pray to CHRIST, who triumphed over temptation and now, as our high priest, promises to give us the strength and grace to resist sin. Our responsibility is to draw near to HIM in time of trouble, His responsibility is to give help in every time of need.

CSI Almanac – 27th September 2024, Friday

UNITY IN WORSHIP

(CSI FORMATION DAY)

Old Testament Reading:

Nehemiah 2: 17 – 20

Psalms Reading:

Psalms 66

Epistle Reading:

Romans 8: 31 – 39

Gospel Reading:

Luke 9: 1 – 6

Collect:

Almighty and everlasting GOD, by whose SPIRIT the whole body of your faithful people is governed and sanctified, we thank you for the gift of the Church of South India. Grant that the Church may see the vision more clearly and embody the unity in faith and witness more courageously in the pluralistic context. May the worship of the Triune GOD cleanse our prejudices of caste, colour, gender and language and we may be united by your love that surpasses all our understanding through JESUS CHRIST our LORD, who lives and reigns with YOU and the HOLY SPIRIT, One GOD, now and forever.

Amen.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 28th September 2024

Morning

Psalms- 74

Old Testament- 2 Chronicles 32: 16 – 33

New Testament- Hebrews 4: 1 – 10

Evening

Psalms- 75

Old Testament- 2 Chronicles 33: 1 – 13

New Testament- Hebrews 4: 11 – 16

Verses for 28th September 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 74 and 75

Psalms 74: 12 – 17

The church silences her own complaints.

What GOD had done for his people, as their King of old, encouraged them to depend on him. It was the LORD's doing, none besides could do it. This providence was food to faith and hope, to support and encourage in difficulties. The GOD of Israel is the GOD of nature. He that is faithful to his covenant about the day and the night, will never cast off those whom he has chosen. We have as much reason to expect affliction, as to expect night and winter. But we have no more reason to despair of the return of comfort, than to despair of day and summer. And in the world above we shall have no more changes.

OLD TESTAMENT



2 Chronicles 32: 16 – 33: 13

2 Chronicles 32

God left Hezekiah to himself that, by this trial and his weakness in it, what was in his heart might be known; that he was not so perfect in grace as he thought he was.

It is good for us to know ourselves, and our own weakness and sinfulness that we may not be conceited, or self-confident, but may always live in dependence upon Divine grace. We know not the corruption of our own hearts, nor what we shall do if GOD leaves us to ourselves. His sin was, that his heart was lifted up. What need have great men, and good men, and useful men, to study their own infirmities and follies, and their obligations to free grace that they may never think highly of themselves; but beg earnestly of GOD, that he will always keep them humble! Hezekiah made a bad return to GOD for his favours, by making even those favours the food and fuel of his pride. Let us shun the occasions of sin: let us avoid the company, the amusements, the books, yea, and the very sights that may administer to sin. Let us commit ourselves continually to GOD's care and protection; and beg of him never to leave us nor forsake us. Blessed be GOD, death will soon end the believer's conflict; then pride and every sin will be abolished. He will no more be tempted to withhold the praise which belongs to the GOD of his salvation.

NEW TESTAMENT

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Hebrews 4: 1 – 16

Hebrews 4: 16

Come boldly into the throne of grace.

Because CHRIST sympathizes with our weaknesses we can confidently approach the heavenly throne, knowing that our prayers and petitions are welcomed and desired by our HEAVENLY FATHER. It is called the throne of grace because from it flow GOD's love, help, mercy, forgiveness, wisdom, spiritual power, spiritual gifts, the fruit of the HOLY SPIRIT and all that we need in any circumstances.

One of the great blessings of salvation is that CHRIST is now our high priest, our mediator, who opens the way for us to come to the FATHER with confidence for all areas of need in our lives.

THE WISDOM OF THE ELDERLY (Senior Citizen's Sunday)

Morning Scripture Reading:

Genesis 24: 1 – 14

Psalms 92

2 Timothy 1: 3 – 14

Luke 1: 5 – 7

Evening Scripture Reading:

Genesis 48: 8 – 22 /

Philemon 8 – 22

Collect:

GOD of our ancestors, You have taught us to honour the elders, since they are our models of our life and witness. Thank You for the committed priests like Zechariah who walked in Your ways blamelessly in their life and ministry. Lead us to tread in the way your servants have led their lives as a blessing to many people especially the people who are given to our families as a source of blessing. Grant us Your guidance to respect the elders and learn wisdom from their experience of life. We ask pray through JESUS CHRIST our LORD, who lives and reigns with YOU in unity with the HOLY SPIRIT, One GOD, now and forever.

Amen.

Or

MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS

Morning Scripture Reading:

2 Kings 6: 8 – 17

Psalms 103: 17 – 22

Revelation 12: 7 – 12

Matthew 18: 1 – 10

Collect:

Eternal GOD, You wonderfully enable Your people to join their worship with the song of angels before Your throne; grant, we pray, that Your holy angels, who never cease to adore You on high, may also guard and uphold us in our service on earth; through JESUS CHRIST, who lives and reigns with YOU and the HOLY SPIRIT, One GOD, now and forever more.

Amen.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 30th September 2024

Morning

Psalms- 78: 1 – 16

Old Testament- 2 Chronicles 33: 14 – 25

New Testament- Hebrews 5: 1 – 4

Evening

Psalms- 78: 17 – 39

Old Testament- 2 Chronicles 34: 1 – 13

New Testament- Hebrews 5: 5 – 14

Quiz for 30th September 2024- from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 78: 1 – 39

1) Old Testament prophecy and New Testament fulfilment...?

2 Chronicles 33: 14 – 34: 13

2) How did Josiah begin his reign...reference..?

Hebrews 5: 1 – 14

3) Author of eternal salvation...reference...?

Verses for 30th September 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 78: 1 – 39

Psalms 78: 1 – 8

These are called dark and deep sayings, because they are carefully to be looked into. The law of GOD was given with a particular charge to teach it diligently to their children, that the church may abide for ever. Also, that the providences of GOD, both in mercy and in judgment, might encourage them to conform to the will of GOD. The works of GOD much strengthen our resolution to keep HIS commandments. Hypocrisy is the high road to apostasy; those that do not set their hearts right, will not be steadfast with GOD. Many parents, by negligence and

wickedness, become murderers of their children. But young persons, though they are bound to submit in all things lawful, must not obey sinful orders, or copy sinful examples.

OLD TESTAMENT



2 Chronicles 33: 14 – 34: 13

2 Chronicles 33: 21 – 25

Amon's father did ill, but he did worse.

Whatever warnings or convictions he had, he never humbled himself. He was soon cut off in his sins, and made a warning for all men not to abuse the example of GOD's patience and mercy to Manasseh, as an encouragement to continue in sin.

May GOD help us to be honest to ourselves, and to think aright respecting our own character, before death fixes us in an unchangeable state.

NEW TESTAMENT



Hebrews 5: 1 – 14

Hebrews 5: 9

Salvation unto all them that obey HIM.

The eternal salvation gained by the suffering of JESUS is realised in those who obey him. JESUS is the obedient one. True faith and oneness with HIM will be evidenced by the fruit of the obedience in us. Obedience to the LORD JESUS CHRIST transforms us into HIS likeness and prepares us for union with HIM in eternity.

October 2024

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 1st October 2024

Morning

Psalms- 79: 1 – 5 & 8 – 13

Old Testament- 2 Chronicles 34: 14 – 22

New Testament- Hebrews 6: 1 – 10

Evening

Psalms- 80

Old Testament- 2 Chronicles 34: 23 – 33

New Testament- Hebrews 6: 11 – 20

Quiz for 1st October 2024 – from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 79: 1 – 13 and Psalms 80

1) Avenge the defilement of Jerusalem...psalm number...?

2 Chronicles 34: 14 – 33

2) Covenant made by the king ...reference..?

Hebrews 6: 1 – 20

3) Be followers of whom...reference...?

Verses for 1st October 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 79: 1 – 13 and Psalms 80

Psalms 79: 1 – 13

The heathen had come...

The psalmist here intercedes with GOD to forgive the Israelites for their apostasy and to punish the nations that have destroyed Jerusalem and GOD's temple, Jerusalem was destroyed by the Babylonian. He acknowledges that the pagan nations were instruments of GOD's anger, yet what they had done against Israel was executed out of hatred for GOD and His chosen people.

OLD TESTAMENT



2 Chronicles 34: 14 – 33

2 Chronicles 34: 30

He readall the words of the book.

Every spiritual revival recorded in the Old Testament came from renewed proclamation of and commitment to the Word of GOD. Josiah read the words of the book of the covenant in the people's presence, and they returned to the LORD.

NEW TESTAMENT



Hebrews 6: 1 – 20

Hebrews 6: 9 – 20

We are persuaded better things of you.

The writer is confident that his readers have not entered into the apostasy described in verses 4 – 8. He assures them that for those who remain loyal to CHRIST in faith and love their hope of eternal salvation is certain and unchangeable, because GOD cannot lie and HIS promises remain steadfast.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 2nd October 2024

Morning

Psalms- 81

Old Testament- 2 Chronicles 35: 1 – 12

New Testament- Hebrews 7: 1 – 10

Evening

Psalms- 82

Old Testament- 2 Chronicles 35: 13 – 27

New Testament- Hebrews 7: 11 – 19

Quiz for 2nd October 2024 – from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 81 and 82

1) God's goodness to Israel...psalm number...?

2 Chronicles 35: 1 – 27

2) What was the mistake committed by Josiah ...reference..?

Hebrews 7: 1 – 19

3) Abraham gave tithe to whom...reference...?

Verses for 2nd October 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 81 and 82

Psalms 82: 6 – 8

It is hard for men to have honour put upon them, and not to be proud of it. But all the rulers of the earth shall die, and all their honour shall be laid in the dust. GOD governs the world. There is a righteous GOD to whom we may go, and on whom we may depend. This also has respect to the kingdom of the MESSIAH. Considering the state of affairs in the world, we have need to pray that the LORD JESUS would speedily rule over all nations, in truth, righteousness, and peace.

OLD TESTAMENT



2 Chronicles 35: 1 – 27

2 Chronicles 35: 22

Hearkened not unto the words of Necho from the mouth of GOD.

Necho's military campaign against the emerging Babylonian world power was from the LORD. Josiah, although a righteous man, failed to understand the will of GOD in this matter and attempted to hinder Necho's army. Josiah's political agenda and subsequent failure to seek out GOD's will and purpose cost him His life.

NEW TESTAMENT



Hebrews 7: 1 – 19

Hebrews 7: 11

If therefore perfection were....

The Levitical priesthood was imperfect and administered by sinful humans, it was replaced by the perfect priest, the SON of GOD.

CHRIST is a perfect priest because HE is wholly righteous, provides a once for all sacrifice for our sins, serves as our eternal priest before GOD in heaven, and lives forever. Therefore He is able to save completely and forever all who draw near to GOD through HIM.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 3rd October 2024

Morning

Psalms- 83 and 84

Old Testament- 2 Chronicles 36: 1 – 10

New Testament- Hebrews 7: 20 – 28

Evening

Psalms- 85

Old Testament- 2 Chronicles 36: 11 – 23

New Testament- Hebrews 8: 1 – 9

Quiz for 3rd October 2024 – from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 83; 84 and 85

1) Salvation reference...?

2 Chronicles 36: 1 – 23

2) Mocked the messengers of GOD...reference...?

Hebrews 7: 20 – 8: 9

3) Salvation ... reference...?

Verses for 3rd October 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 83; 84 and 85

Psalms 84: 4

Blessed are they that dwell in THY house. Those who go to the house of the LORD seeking HIS presence will receive HIS Blessing. The blessing includes the nearness of GOD's renewed spiritual strength, answered prayer and grace, glory and goodness.

OLD TESTAMENT



2 Chronicles 36: 1 – 23

2 Chronicles 36: 14

Transgressed very much after all abominations of the heathen.

The most prevailing failure of GOD's people throughout redemptive history has been their lack of resolve to remain separate from the unrighteous lifestyle and value system of the society and culture around them, instead of abhorring and abstaining from the immoral values, customs and lifestyles of the world. By doing so they show themselves unfaithful to GOD and defile the house of the LORD.

NEW TESTAMENT



Hebrews 7: 20 – 8: 9

Hebrews 7: 25

Live to make intercession.

CHRIST lives in heaven in HIS FATHER's presence intercepting for each and every one of HIS followers according to the FATHER's will.

CHRIST's high priestly prayer for His people as well as HIS desire to pour forth the HOLY SPIRIT upon all believers help us to understand the content of CHRIST's intercessory ministry.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 4th October 2024

Morning

Psalms- 86

Old Testament- Ezra 1: 1 – 11

New Testament- Hebrews 8: 10 – 13

Evening

Psalms- 87 and 88

Old Testament- Ezra 2: 1 – 40

New Testament- Hebrews 9: 1 – 10

Quiz for 4th October 2024 – from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 86; 87 and 88

1) Privileges of living in Zion...?

Ezra 1: 1 – 2: 40

2) Whom did GOD use to restore exiles to return to Jerusalem...reference...?

Hebrews 8: 10 – 9: 10

3) Significance of the new covenant ... reference...?

Verses for 4th October 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 86; 87 and 88

Psalms 86: 1

I am poor and needy.

Prayer that arises out of humility, affliction and great need is prayer that GOD will hear and answer. HE has a special care for His people who are broken and needy.

OLD TESTAMENT



Ezra 1: 1 – 2: 40

Ezra 1: 1

That the word of the LORD by the mouth of Jeremiah might be fulfilled.

Jeremiah had predicted that the Jews would remain in captivity in the land of Babylon for 70 years before returning to Judah.

NEW TESTAMENT



Hebrews 8: 10 – 9: 10

Hebrews 8: 6 – 13

A better covenant a significant theme is the contrast between the old covenant that was centered on the Law of Moses and the new covenant that was instituted by JESUS CHRIST.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 5th October 2024

Morning

Psalms- 89: 1 – 18

Old Testament- Ezra 2: 41 – 63

New Testament- Hebrews 9: 11 – 17

Evening

Psalms- 89: 19 – 52

Old Testament- Ezra 2: 64 – 70

New Testament- Hebrews 9: 18 – 22

Verses for 5th October 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 89

Psalms 89: 15 – 18

Happy are those who so know the joyful sound of the gospel as to obey it; who experience its power upon their hearts, and bring forth the fruit of it in their lives. Though believers are nothing in themselves, yet having all in CHRIST JESUS, they may rejoice in HIS name. May the LORD enable us to do so.

The joy of the LORD is the strength of His people; whereas unbelief dispirits ourselves and discourages others. Though it steals upon us under a semblance of humility, yet it is the very essence of pride.

CHRIST is the Holy One of Israel; and in HIM was that peculiar people more blessed than in any other blessing.

OLD TESTAMENT



Ezra 2: 41 – 70

Ezra 2: 64

Forty and two thousand three hundred and threescore.

The total sum of the members' falls short of 11, 000 may refer to exiles from other tribes other than Judah, women and children and unregistered priests and scribal error.

NEW TESTAMENT

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Hebrews 9: 11 – 22**Hebrews 9: 14**

The blood of JESUS CHRIST.

The blood of JESUS CHRIST is central to the New Testament concept of redemption. On the cross CHRIST shed HIS innocent blood in order to remove our sins and to reconcile us with GOD.

**MINISTRY OF THE LAITY
(Laity Sunday)**

Morning Scripture Reading:

1 Samuel 25: 14 – 28

Psalms 23

1 Thessalonians 4: 1 – 12

Luke 10: 25 – 37

Evening Scripture Reading:

Psalm 34

Thessalonians 5: 12 – 22

Collect:

Gracious GOD, You call people to be channels of Your power and presence, ever so compassionate to all of Your creation, give us the eyes to see all those who are afflicted, give us ears to hear the groaning of the suffering, give us a heart to respond to every situation of need and proclaim the gospel of peace and reconciliation, through JESUS CHRIST Your SON our LORD, who is alive and reigns with YOU, in unity of the HOLY SPIRIT, one GOD, now and forever.

Amen.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 7th October 2024

Morning

Psalms- 92 and 93

Old Testament- Ezra 3: 1 – 6

New Testament- Hebrews 9: 23 – 27

Evening

Psalms- 94

Old Testament- Ezra 3: 7 – 13

New Testament- Hebrews 10: 1 – 10

Quiz for 7th October 2024 – from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 92; 93 and 94

1) The majesty of the LORD... Psalm number...?

Ezra 3: 1 – 13

2) How did they worship when the foundation was laid...reference...?

Hebrews 9: 23 – 10: 10

3) Second Coming... reference...?

Verses for 7th October 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 92; 93 and 94

Psalms 94

O LORD GOD, to whom vengeance belonged.

Believers should be so grieved because of all the injustice, brutality and wickedness in the world that they pray continually for GOD to stop the triumph of evil and avenge the wrong. JESUS states that His elect should cry day and night that GOD will avenge them speedily. Commitment to justice and sympathy for those who are wrongfully treated should cause us to pray for the return of CHRIST that HE might rule the earth in righteousness.

OLD TESTAMENT



Ezra 3: 1 – 13

Ezra 3: 2

Built the Altar of the GOD of Israel.

The first priority of the returned exiles was to build an altar unto the LORD. The altar was the center of Jewish worship, for on it sacrifices and blood atonement for sin were offered to GOD. The people were motivated to build the altar, at least in part, because of the danger from the people of those countries.

NEW TESTAMENT



Hebrews 9: 23 – 10: 10

Hebrews 9: 28

HE shall appear the second time...

Under the old covenant, the Israelites watched intensely for the reappearance of their high priest after he had gone into the sanctuary to make atonement.

Likewise believers, knowing that JESUS is their advocate, wait with earnest hope for HIS reappearing to bring salvation to its completion.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 8th October 2024

Morning

Psalms- 95

Old Testament- Ezra 4: 1 – 16

New Testament- Hebrews 10: 11 – 18

Evening

Psalms- 96

Old Testament- Ezra 4: 17 – 24

New Testament- Hebrews 10: 19 – 25

Quiz for 8th October 2024 – from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 95 and 96

1) Witnessing... Psalm number...?

Ezra 4: 1 – 24

2) Overcoming the world and worldliness...reference...?

Hebrews 10: 11 – 25

3) Walking in obedience and righteousness... reference...?

Verses for 8th October 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 95 and 96

Psalms 96: 2 & 3

Declare HIS glory among the heathen.

Those of us who have received GOD's Salvation and experienced HIS wonderful deeds must be eager to tell others that HE can deliver and save them.

The command to declare HIS glory among the nations looks forward to the Great Commission that JESUS gave. Go into the world and preach the gospel to all nations.

OLD TESTAMENT



Ezra 4: 1 – 24

Ezra 4: 1

The adversaries of Judah Believers will always undergo a measure of opposition from the ungodly. The righteous, who proclaim the truth and rely on GOD alone, must respond to these threats by constant prayer and sincere faith.

NEW TESTAMENT



Hebrews 10: 11 – 25

Hebrews 10: 14

He hath perfected for ever them that are sanctified. The one offering of CHRIST on the cross and its benefit are eternally efficacious.

Perfect salvation in CHRIST is imparted to all who are being sanctified as they draw near to GOD through CHRIST.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 9th October 2024

Morning

Psalms- 97

Old Testament- Ezra 5: 1 – 10

New Testament- Hebrews 10: 26 – 31

Evening

Psalms- 98 and 99

Old Testament- Ezra 5: 11 – 17

New Testament- Hebrews 10: 32 – 39

Quiz for 9th October 2024 – from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 97; 98 and 99

1) Second Coming ...reference...?

Ezra 5: 1 – 17

2) The eye of the LORD was upon whom ...reference...?

Hebrews 10: 26 – 39

3) Consequences for wilful sin... reference...?

Verses for 9th October 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 97; 98 and 99

Psalms 99: 8

Thou... Forgavest... them. Thou took vengeance of their inventions.

GOD can pardon and punish an individual at the same time. We must distinguish between being restored in our relationship with GOD and still experiencing the consequences of sins we have committed.

OLD TESTAMENT



Ezra 5: 1 – 17

Ezra 5: 5

The eye of their GOD was upon the elders. Those who commit their lives to GOD's cause and work are special objects of HIS watchful care. If you are striving to exalt our LORD's kingdom and HIS righteousness, HE will never withdraw HIS eyes from you. This promise belongs to you. The eyes of the LORD are upon the righteous.

NEW TESTAMENT



Hebrews 10: 26 – 39

Hebrews 10: 38

The just shall live by faith.

This fundamental principle, affirmed four times Scripture governs our relationship to GOD and our participation in the salvation provided through JESUS CHRIST. The person who perseveres in faith receives what GOD promises and be saved.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 10th October 2024

Morning

Psalms- 100 and 101

Old Testament- Ezra 6: 1 – 12

New Testament- Hebrews 11: 1 – 6

Evening

Psalms- 102

Old Testament- Ezra 6: 13 – 22

New Testament- Hebrews 11: 7 – 10

Quiz for 10th October 2024 – from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 100; 101 and 102

1) A perfect heart ...Psalm number...?

Ezra 6: 1 – 22

2) What was the decree made by King Cyrus ... reference...?

Hebrews 11: 1 – 10

3) Define faith...?

Verses for 10th October 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 100; 101 and 102

Psalms 101: 3

I will set no wicked thing before mine eyes.

Today it is common for people to be entertained by using their eyes to view violence, sexual, immorality, sensuality, pornography, acts of perversion and evil of all kinds as a means to gratify the last and desires of the flesh. Through books, magazines, television, cinema, videos and the internet, every imaginable form of evil is dramatized and made easily available for young and old.

GOD's people must guard their eyes and hearts from viewing or being entertained by things that GOD HIMSELF regards as vile.

OLD TESTAMENT



Ezra 6: 1 – 22

Ezra 6: 1 – 12

When GOD's time is come for fulfilling HIS gracious purposes concerning His church, HE will raise up instruments to do it, from whom such good service was not expected. While our thoughts are directed to this event, we are led by Zechariah to fix our regard on a nobler, a spiritual building.

The LORD JESUS CHRIST continues to lay one stone upon another: let us assist the great design. Difficulties delay the progress of this sacred edifice. Yet let not opposition discourage us, for in due season it will be completed to HIS abundant praise. HE shall bring forth the head-stone thereof with shoutings', crying - Grace, grace unto it.

NEW TESTAMENT



Hebrews 11: 1 – 10

Hebrews 11: 1

Now faith is trust in GOD in all circumstances, which enables the believer to persevere and remain steadfastly loyal to GOD and HIS Word at all times. It is faith that believes in spiritual realities leads to righteousness seeks GOD believes in his goodness has confidence in HIS Word obeys HIS commands, regulates life on HIS promises.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 11th October 2024

Morning

Psalms- 103

Old Testament- Ezra 7: 1 – 11

New Testament- Hebrews 11: 11 – 19

Evening

Psalms- 104: 1 – 23

Old Testament- Ezra 7: 12 – 20

New Testament- Hebrews 11: 20 – 28

Quiz for 11th October 2024 – from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 103 and 104: 1 – 23

1) Why the LORD does pitieth us ...reference...?

Ezra 7: 1 – 20

2) Walking in obedience and righteousness... reference...?

Hebrews 11: 11 – 28

3) Overcoming the world and worldliness...reference...?

Verses for 11th October 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 103 and 104: 1 – 23

Psalms 103: 14

HE knoweth our frame.

GOD cities His children because HE knows their weaknesses and infirmities. Even the best of His followers stand in need of HIS compassion. As a Father has deep compassion for His children when they fail, suffer or are mistreated, so also the HEAVENLY FATHER hurts when His own are hurting in the midst of trouble, failure and struggle, we must not think that GOD is aloof or uncaring, rather we must

remember that HIS eyes look on us with compassion, and HE will help us according to our need.

OLD TESTAMENT



Ezra 7: 1 – 20

Ezra 7: 6

The hand of the LORD his GOD was upon him.

Three times this chapter says that the hand of the LORD was upon Ezra .Three reasons are given. Ezra had devoted himself to study GOD's Word, to practice it and to teach it to others. Loyalty to GOD and HIS Word will always be accompanied by the LORD's blessing and help. This principle is affirmed in New Testament passages. Ezra adds another occasion in which the LORD's hand is on His people, namely that GOD's favour comes to those who seek HIM with their whole heart. Any who seek GOD and who genuinely manifest loyalty to HIM and HIS Word will experience the favourable hand of the LORD upon them.

NEW TESTAMENT



Hebrews 11: 11 – 28

Hebrews 11: 13

Not having received the promises.

These Old Testament saints died with the faith that GOD had something better in store for them. In their lifetime they did not see the final promised blessing of the redeemed. We believers today must also persevere in faith and trust in GOD, even when we do not see all of the promises of GOD fulfilled in our lives.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 12th October 2024

Morning

Psalms- 104: 24 – 35

Old Testament- Ezra 7: 21 – 28

New Testament- Hebrews 11: 29 – 34

Evening

Psalms- 105: 1 – 22

Old Testament- Ezra 8: 1 – 9

New Testament- Hebrews 11: 35 – 40

Verses for 12th October 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 104: 24 – 35 and 105: 1 – 22

Psalms 105: 4

Seek the LORD, and HIS strength.

We are invited not only to seek the LORD's presence but also the power and strength of HIS grace. We all need GOD's empowering grace in order to persevere in salvation, live a life pleasing unto GOD, and witness in the power of the HOLY SPIRIT.

OLD TESTAMENT



Ezra 7: 21 – 8: 9

Ezra 7: 27 & 28

Two things Ezra blessed GOD for:

1. For HIS commission.

If any good appear in our hearts, or in the hearts of others, we must own that GOD put it there, and bless him; it is HE that worketh in us, both to will and to do that which is good.

2. For HIS encouragement:

GOD has extended mercy to me.

Ezra was a man of courage, yet he ascribed this not to his own heart, but to GOD's hand. If GOD give us HIS hand, we are bold and cheerful; if HE withdraw it, we are weak as water. Whatever we are enabled to do for GOD and those around us, GOD must have all the glory.

NEW TESTAMENT

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Hebrews 11: 29 – 40

Hebrews 11: 25

Enjoy the pleasures of sin.

Every believer faces the alternative and recurring choices that Moses faced. To be identified with CHRIST and GOD's people, along with persecution that may bring, or to enjoy the momentary pleasures of sin, transient though they be. There are eternal consequences to our temporal choices. Esau traded long range goods for present momentary pleasure, unlike Moses who traded momentary pleasure for long range goods. He was able to make the right choice for two reasons.

He was a man with spiritual values and he was a man with spiritual vision.

DIFFERENTLY ABLED: DIGNITY AND DEPENDENCE

(Sunday for the Mentally & Physically Challenged and Palliative Patients)

Morning Scripture Reading:

Exodus 4: 10 – 17

Psalms 103: 1 – 33

Acts 3: 1 – 10

Matthew 17: 14 – 21

Evening Scripture Reading:

Psalm 77

Mark 7: 31 – 37

Collect:

Empowering GOD, in whom we find life even at the point of death, give us the strength to endure our weaknesses and limitations by the power of the cross and be affirmed that your grace is sufficient for us in our weaknesses through JESUS CHRIST Your SON our LORD, who lives and reigns with YOU, in unity of the HOLY SPIRIT, one GOD, now and forever.

Amen.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 14th October 2024

Morning

Psalms- 106: 19 – 48

Old Testament- Ezra 8: 10 – 20

New Testament- Hebrews 12: 1 – 6

Evening

Psalms- 107: 1 – 22

Old Testament- Ezra 8: 21 – 29

New Testament- Hebrews 12: 7 – 13

Quiz for 14th October 2024 – from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 106: 19 – 107: 22

1) He saved them out of their distresses ...reference...?

Ezra 8: 10 – 29

2) Why did Ezra proclaim a fast...?

Hebrews 12: 1 – 13

3) Fruit of the HOLY SPIRIT...reference...?

Verses for 14th October 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 106: 19 – 48 and 107: 1 – 22

Psalms 107: 17 – 22

If we knew no sin, we should know no sickness. Sinners are fools. They hurt their bodily health by intemperance, and endanger their lives by indulging their appetites. This their way is their folly. The weakness of the body is the effect of sickness. It is by the power and mercy of GOD that we are recovered from sickness, and it is our duty to be thankful. All CHRIST's miraculous cures were emblems of His healing diseases of the soul. It is also to be applied to the spiritual cures which the Spirit of grace works. HE sends His word, and heals souls; convinces, converts them, makes

them holy, and all by the word. Even in common cases of recovery from sickness, GOD in His providence speaks, and it is done; by His word and Spirit the soul is restored to health and holiness.

OLD TESTAMENT



Ezra 8: 10 – 29

Ezra 8: 21

I proclaimed a fast.

Fasting entails abstaining from food for a limited period of time. GOD's Old Testament people fasted in order to express humility, self-denial and submission to GOD, and to seek His grace, help, protection and favour.

To seek of HIM a right way for us. It is always appropriate to pray to GOD for HIS care and protection when setting out upon a journey. GOD's help should not be taken for granted, for His guidance and protection are mediated to us through our prayers, and when we arrive safely at our destination, we should never forget to give HIM thanks.

NEW TESTAMENT



Hebrews 12: 1 – 13

Hebrews 12: 1

The race must be run by throwing off the sin which doth so easily beset us and by looking unto JESUS who persevered to the end by enduring the cross. The race must be run with an awareness that our greatest danger is the temptation to give up and yield to sin.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 15th October 2024

Morning

Psalms- 107: 23 – 43

Old Testament- Ezra 8: 30 – 36

New Testament- Hebrews 12: 14 – 17

Evening

Psalms- 108

Old Testament- Ezra 9: 1 – 5

New Testament- Hebrews 12: 18 – 29

Quiz for 15th October 2024 – from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 107: 23 – 43 and 108

1) Song of confidence in GOD ...Psalm number...?

Ezra 8: 30 – 9: 5

2) Holy seed... reference...?

Hebrews 12: 14 – 29

3) Explain briefly verse 15...?

Verses for 15th October 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 107: 23 – 43 and 108

Psalms 108

We may usefully select passages from different psalms, as here, Psalm 57, to help our devotions, and enliven our gratitude. When the heart is firm in faith and love, the tongue, being employed in grateful praises, is our glory. Every gift of the LORD honours and profits the possessor, as it is employed in GOD's service and to HIS glory. Believers may pray with assured faith and hope, for all the blessings of salvation; which are secured to them by the faithful promise and covenant of GOD. Then let them expect from HIM help in every trouble, and victory in every conflict.

Whatever we do, whatever we gain, GOD must have all the glory. LORD, visit all our souls with this salvation, with this favour which thou bearest to thy chosen people.

OLD TESTAMENT



Ezra 8: 30 – 9: 5

Ezra 9: 1

The people of Israel...have not separated themselves from the people of the lands. The past failure of the Jews to separate themselves from the sinful societies around them had led them into idolatry and immorality, and it eventually caused their captivity and exile. Now, after GOD had bought a small remnant back to the land, the Jews were once again transgressing GOD's fundamental precept of separation from the lifestyle of ungodly.

NEW TESTAMENT



Hebrews 12: 14 – 29

Hebrews 12: 14

Follow peace with all men, and holiness.

Holiness is being separated from sin and being set apart for GOD, it is to be close to GOD, to be like HIM, and to seek His presence, righteousness and fellowship with all our hearts above all things, holiness is GOD's priority for His followers. Holiness was GOD's purpose for His people when HE planned their Salvation in CHRIST.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 16th October 2024

Morning

Psalms- 109: 1 – 5 & 21 – 31

Old Testament- Ezra 9: 6 – 15

New Testament- Hebrews 13: 1 – 9

Evening

Psalms- 110

Old Testament- Ezra 10: 1 – 8

New Testament- Hebrews 13: 10 – 16

Quiz for 16th October 2024 – from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 109: 1 – 5 & 21 – 31 and 110

- 1) Old Testament prophecy and New Testament fulfilment...?

Ezra 9: 6 – 10: 8

- 2) Ezra's response of grief and his prayerto GOD's people conforming to ungodly customs... reference...?

Hebrews 13: 1 – 16

- 3) Praise and worship...reference...?

Verses for 16th October 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 109: 1 – 5 & 21 – 31 and 110

Psalms 110: 1 – 7

The LORD said unto my LORD.

This psalm speaks of the lordship of the MESSIAH, HIS priesthood, HIS destruction of the wicked and HIS reign on earth. It clearly prophesies about JESUS CHRIST.

OLD TESTAMENT



Ezra 9: 6 – 10: 8

Ezra 9: 5 – 15

The sacrifice, especially the evening sacrifice, was a type of the blessed Lamb of GOD, who in the evening of the world, was to take away sin by the sacrifice of HIMSELF.

Ezra's address is a penitent confession of sin, the sin of his people. But let this be the comfort of true penitents, that though their sins reach to the heavens, GOD's mercy is in the heavens. Ezra, speaking of sin, speaks as one much ashamed. Holy shame is as necessary in true repentance as holy sorrow. Ezra speaks as much amazed. The discoveries of guilt cause amazement; the more we think of sin, the worse it looks. Say, GOD be merciful to me sinner. Ezra speaks as one much afraid. There is not a surer or sadder presage of ruin, than turning to sin, after great judgments, and great deliverances. Everyone in the church of GOD, has to wonder that he has not wearied out the LORD's patience, and brought destruction upon himself.

What then must be the case of the ungodly? But though the true penitent has nothing to plead in his own behalf, the heavenly Advocate pleads most powerfully for him.

NEW TESTAMENT



Hebrews 13: 1 – 16

Hebrews 13: 12

Sanctify the people.

The reason JESUS suffered rejection and death outside the city of Jerusalem as an outcast was to sanctify His people, so that we would be presentable to GOD and could share in HIS glory.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 17th October 2024

Morning

Psalms- 111 and 112

Old Testament- Ezra 10: 9 – 17

New Testament- Hebrews 13: 17 – 19

Evening

Psalms- 113 and 114

Old Testament- Ezra 10: 18 – 44

New Testament- Hebrews 13: 20 – 25

Quiz for 17th October 2024 – from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 111 to 114

1) Who is blessed ...reference...?

Ezra 10: 9 – 44

2) Confession... reference...?

Hebrews 13: 17 – 25

3) Obedience and faithfulness...reference...?

Verses for 17th October 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 111 to 114

Psalms 113 to 118

Passover Psalms.

Jews used these Psalms at the yearly Passover celebration. The first two were sung before the meal and the remaining after the meal. Thus these were probably the last songs JESUS CHRIST sang before HIS death. Since these psalms begin in Hebrew with the word Hallelujah. Jews call them Hallel (praise).

OLD TESTAMENT



Ezra 10: 9 – 44

Ezra 10: 15 – 44

The best reformers can but do their endeavour; when the Redeemer HIMSELF shall come to Zion, HE shall effectually turn away ungodliness from Jacob. And when sin is repented of and forsaken, GOD will forgive it; but the blood of CHRIST, our Sin-offering, is the only atonement which takes away our guilt. No seeming repentance or amendment will benefit those who reject HIM, for self-dependence proves them still un-humbled. All the names written in the book of life, are those of penitent sinners, not of self-righteous persons, who think they have no need of repentance.

NEW TESTAMENT



Hebrews 13: 17 – 25

Hebrews 13: 17

Obey them.

Obedience and faithfulness to Christian leaders, pastors and teachers must be based on a higher loyalty to GOD. The believer's loyalty on a descending scale is as follows. First, to GOD in a person to person relationship, including faithfulness to the truth and principles of HIS Word.

Second to the visible church as it remains faithful to GOD and HIS written Word.

Third, to godly leaders within the church who remain faithful and loyal to GOD, to HIS Word and to HIS mission for the church.

CSI Almanac – 18th October 2024, Friday

LUKE, EVANGELIST AND PHYSICIAN

Old Testament Reading:

Isaiah 35: 3 – 6 / Ecclesiastes 8: 1 – 9

Psalms Reading:

Psalms 45

Epistle Reading:

Colossians 4: 10 – 15

Gospel Reading:

Luke 1: 1 – 4

Collect:

Almighty GOD, who inspired Luke the physician to set forth in the Gospel the love and healing power of YOUR SON; grant that the same power and love may always be present in YOUR Church to heal and comfort the sick for the glory of YOUR name; through JESUS CHRIST, who lives and reigns with YOU and the HOLY SPIRIT, One GOD, now and forever more.

Amen.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 19th October 2024

Morning

Psalms- 118

Old Testament- Nehemiah 2: 10 – 20

New Testament- Revelation 1: 9 – 15

Evening

Psalms- 119: 1 – 24

Old Testament- Nehemiah 3: 1 – 12

New Testament- Revelation 1: 16 – 20

Verses for 19th October 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 118 and 119: 1 – 24

Psalms 119: 1

Blessed.

GOD promises to pour out HIS Word with all its standards and directives. They will have HIS personal presence bringing them strength, help and protection.

OLD TESTAMENT



Nehemiah 2: 10 – 3: 12

Nehemiah 2: 12

Neither did I tell any man what my GOD had put in my heart to do.

Though Nehemiah arrived as governor with the full authority of the Persian Empire behind him, he did nothing for three days and told no one his GOD given plans. We can be sure he was waiting on GOD, not rushing ahead by trusting in his own strength.

Then he made a cautious, careful survey of the damage done to the walls by the Samaritans, while at the same time undoubtedly counting the cost. Most important, instead of criticizing the people for their problems and sorrows, he wanted to see these problems from their own viewpoint, thus he said nothing until he could understand the situation from their perspective and feel what they felt.

NEW TESTAMENT

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Revelation 1: 9 – 20

Revelation 1: 9 – 20

Revelation of JESUS CHRIST.

This book is a Revelation from JESUS CHRIST about HIMSELF. This is extremely important for it reveals JESUS evaluation of His churches 60 to 65 years after HIS resurrection and ascension, and it discloses future events concerning the tribulation, GOD's triumph over evil, CHRIST's return to reign on earth and the blessedness of the eternal kingdom of GOD.

YOUTH IN SEARCH OF A MEANINGFUL LIFE

(Youth Sunday)

Morning Scripture Reading:

Genesis 39: 1 – 23

Psalms 17

Hebrews 12: 1 – 11

John 1: 43 – 51

Evening Scripture Reading:

Proverbs 3: 1 – 12

1 Timothy 6: 11 – 14

Collect:

GOD of life, we thank you for the creativity and vibrancy with which you enrich young people. We thank You that Your SON JESUS CHRIST as a young person, surrendered His life to your will that the whole world may find the newness of life. We pray for wisdom and understanding, strength and power, visions and dreams to create a world of justice, equality and peace through JESUS CHRIST Your SON our LORD, who is alive and reigns with YOU, in unity of the HOLY SPIRIT, one GOD, now and forever.

Amen.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 21st October 2024

Morning

Psalms- 119: 73 – 96

Old Testament- Nehemiah 3: 13 – 21

New Testament- Revelation 2: 1 – 7

Evening

Psalms- 119: 97 – 120

Old Testament- Nehemiah 3: 22 – 32

New Testament- Revelation 2: 8 – 11

Quiz for 21st October 2024 – from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 119: 73 – 120

1) Most familiar verse in this portion...?

Nehemiah 3: 13 – 32

2) Describe Nethinims...?

Revelation 2: 1 – 11

3) Overcoming the world and worldliness...reference...?

Verses for 21st October 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 119: 73 – 120

Psalms 119: 98

THY commandments hast made me wiser.

Through our devotion to GOD's Word we learn to see life as GOD sees it, value what HE values and love what HE loves. We attune ourselves to the thoughts of GOD.

OLD TESTAMENT



Nehemiah 3: 13 – 32

Nehemiah 3

The work was divided, so that everyone might know what he had to do, and mind it, with a desire to excel; yet without contention, or separate interests. No strife appears among them, but which should do most for the public good. Every Israelite should lend a hand toward the building up of Jerusalem. Let not nobles think anything below them, by which they may advance the good of their country. Even some females helped forward the work. Some repaired over against their houses, and one repaired over against his chamber. When a general good work is to be done, each should apply himself to that part which is within his reach. If everyone will sweep before his own door, the street will be clean; if everyone will mend one, we shall all be mended. Some that had first done helped their fellows. The walls of Jerusalem, in heaps of rubbish, represent the desperate state of the world around, while the number and malice of those who hindered the building, give some faint idea of the enemies we have to contend with, while executing the work of GOD. Everyone must begin at home; for it is by getting the work of GOD advanced in our own souls that we shall best contribute to the good of the church of CHRIST. May the LORD thus stir up the hearts of his people, to lay aside their petty disputes, and to disregard their worldly interests, compared with building the walls of Jerusalem, and defending the cause of truth and godliness against the assaults of vowed enemies.

NEW TESTAMENT

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Revelation 2: 1 – 11

Revelation 2: 7

To him that over cometh.

An overcomer is one who, by the grace of GOD received through faith in CHRIST, has experienced the new birth and remains constant in victory over sin, the world's system and satan.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 22nd October 2024

Morning

Psalms- 119: 121 – 144

Old Testament- Nehemiah 4: 1 – 5

New Testament- Revelation 2: 12 – 17

Evening

Psalms- 119: 145 – 160

Old Testament- Nehemiah 4: 16 – 23

New Testament- Revelation 2: 18 – 29

Quiz for 22nd October 2024 – from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 119: 121 – 160

1) The unfolding of your words give _____, it imparts _____ to the _____...?

Nehemiah 4: 1 – 23

2) Our GOD shall fight for us... reference...?

Revelation 2: 12 – 29

3) Sword of my mouth...reference...?

Verses for 22nd October 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 119: 121 – 160

Psalms 119: 121

Leave me not to mine oppressors.

Like the Psalmist says, GOD's promises in HIS Word are sure. Believers may appeal for GOD's help, based on obedience to and love for His Word, GOD's mercy and steadfast love, our commitment to serve HIM and the urgent needs we have in our lives.

OLD TESTAMENT



Nehemiah 4: 1 – 23

Nehemiah 4: 4

Turn their reproach upon their own head.

Nehemiah's prayer against the enemy was motivated by his faith in GOD and his love for GOD's work and people. It is always right to pray that GOD will oppose his enemies or turn back the hearts of those who are trying to destroy HIS work or harm HIS children.

NEW TESTAMENT



Revelation 2: 12 – 29

Revelation 2: 14

The doctrine of Balaam.

Balaam was a false prophet who sold his services to a heathen king and advised home to tempt Israel to compromise their faith by idolatry and immorality. The teaching of Balaam therefore refers to corrupt teachers and preachers who were leading people into fatal compromise with immorality, worldliness and false ideologies, all for the sake of personal advancement or monetary gain.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 23rd October 2024

Morning

Psalms- 120; 121 and 122

Old Testament- Nehemiah 5: 1 – 12

New Testament- Revelation 3: 1 – 6

Evening

Psalms- 123; 124 and 125

Old Testament- Nehemiah 5: 13 – 19

New Testament- Revelation 3: 7 – 13

Quiz for 23rd October 2024 – from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 120 to 125

- 1) The peace of Jerusalem...psalm number?

Nehemiah 5: 1 – 19

- 2) Difference between previous governors and Nehemiah... reference...?

Revelation 3: 1 – 13

- 3) Walking in obedience and righteousness...reference...?

Verses for 23rd October 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 120 to 125

Psalms 123: 1

Unto thee lift I up mine eyes.

This psalm describes humble believers who look continually and expectantly to GOD to put an end to the contempt and scorn shown towards them. It expresses the cry of those who are always watching for and desiring CHRIST's return to save His people from an ungodly and hostile world.

OLD TESTAMENT



Nehemiah 5: 1 – 19

Nehemiah 5: 1 – 19

The fear of GOD.

Because Nehemiah feared GOD, he did not use his authority to take advantage of the people, as some other leaders before him had done. Reverence for GOD makes us aware of our accountability to HIM and motivates us to turn away from even subtle practices, such as manipulating and defrauding his people.

NEW TESTAMENT



Revelation 3: 1 – 13

Revelation 3: 5

Blot out his name.

Clearly this verse indicates the very real possibility of members in the body of CHRIST having their names taken out of the book of life if they do not persevere in faith and overcome evil around them and the sinful nature within. To have one's name blotted out of the book of life is to lose eternal life itself and to be condemned to the lake of fire in the end. This is what the Spirit says to the churches.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 24th October 2024

Morning

Psalms- 126; 127 and 128

Old Testament- Nehemiah 6: 1 – 9

New Testament- Revelation 3: 14 – 23

Evening

Psalms- 129; 130 and 131

Old Testament- Nehemiah 6: 10 – 19

New Testament- Revelation 4: 1 – 5

Quiz for 24th October 2024 – from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 126 to 131

1) The vanity of work without GOD...psalm number?

Nehemiah 6: 1 – 19

2) Faith that moves mountains... reference...?

Revelation 3: 14 – 4: 5

3) Overcoming the world and worldliness...reference...?

Verses for 24th October 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 126 to 131

Psalms 127: 1 – 5

Except the LORD build.

Only what is from GOD and HIS blessing is truly valuable in life, conversely, if GOD is not in our lives, activities, goals and families, then, all is in vain and will end in frustration and disappointment. Thus we should seek GOD's blessing and guidance in all things from the very beginning of our lives.

OLD TESTAMENT



Nehemiah 6: 1 – 19

Nehemiah 6: 12

I perceived that GOD had not dent him.

All who claim to be messengers of GOD must be tested as to whether they are really from GOD. Some will claim to be believers and proclaim that they are undertaking a ministry ordained by GOD, yet in reality they are seeking glory and prosperity for themselves. GOD's people need discernment to judge the personal character and loyalty to GOD and His standards of all who present themselves as spokespersons for GOD.

NEW TESTAMENT



Revelation 3: 14 – 4: 5

Revelation 4: 5

Seven spirits of GOD.

The seven spirits of GOD represents the presence of the HOLY SPIRIT at the throne of GOD. The language may come from the sevenfold expression of the Spirit as in 11:2. The HOLY SPIRIT is like a burning fire filled with judgement against sin and with GOD's purity

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 25th October 2024

Morning

Psalms- 132; 133 and 134

Old Testament- Nehemiah 7: 1 – 7

New Testament- Revelation 4: 6 – 11

Evening

Psalms- 135

Old Testament- Nehemiah 7: 8 – 45

New Testament- Revelation 5: 1 – 8

Quiz for 25th October 2024 – from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 132 to 135

- 1) Blessings for the night watch...Psalm number...?

Nehemiah 7: 1 – 45

- 2) Who was faithful and feared GOD? What was the responsibility entrusted to him... reference...?

Revelation 4: 6 – 5: 8

- 3) The prayers of saints...reference...?

Verses for 25th October 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 132 to 135

Psalms 134: 1 – 3

Which by night stand in the house of the LORD.

This psalm speaks of all night worship and intercession in GOD's house. Should not GOD's people under the new covenant be equally zealous for being involved in all night services devoted to spiritual worship and earnest intercession for revival in the church and salvation for the lost?

OLD TESTAMENT



Nehemiah 7: 1 – 45

Nehemiah 7: 2

He was a faithful man, and feared GOD.

The Scriptural principle in selecting leaders and overseers for GOD's work is to appoint those who have preserved in faithfulness to GOD and HIS Word and have demonstrated a godly fear of sin and its consequences.

NEW TESTAMENT



Revelation 4: 6 – 5: 8

Revelation 5: 1

A book.

This book or scroll is of utmost importance, for it contains the revelation of what GOD has determined for the future course of the world and humanity. It describes how the world will be judged at the end and portrays the final triumph of GOD and His people over all evil. When each seal is opened, a portion of the book's content revealed in a vision.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 26th October 2024

Morning

Psalms- 136

Old Testament- Nehemiah 7: 46 – 73

New Testament- Revelation 5: 9 – 14

Evening

Psalms- 137: 1 – 6 and 138

Old Testament- Nehemiah 8: 1 – 8

New Testament- Revelation 6: 1 – 8

Verses for 26th October 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 136; 137: 1 – 6 and 138

Psalms 137: 1 – 5

Their enemies had carried the Jews captive from their own land.

To complete their woes, they insulted over them; they required of them mirth and a song. This was very barbarous; also profane, for no songs would serve but the songs of Zion. Scoffers are not to be compiled with. They do not say, How shall we sing, when we are so much in sorrow? But, it is the LORD's song, therefore we dare not sing it among idolaters.

OLD TESTAMENT



Nehemiah 7: 46 – 8: 8

Nehemiah 8: 3

All the people were attentive unto the book of the law.

The revival was initiated by a sincere return to GOD's Word and a diligent effort to understand its meaning. For seven days, six hours each day, Ezra read from the book of the law. One of the foremost evidences of true revival among GOD's people is a deep hunger to hear and to read GOD's Word.

NEW TESTAMENT

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Revelation 5: 9 – 6: 8

Revelation 6: 1

The Lamb opened.

JESUS CHRIST HIMSELF opens all the seals, which disclose GOD's end -time judgements in the earth. Throughout the book of Revelation, the plague judgements are called the wrath of GOD.

CHURCH - REFORMED AND REFORMING

(Reformation Sunday)

Morning Scripture Reading:

Deuteronomy 26: 4 – 11

Psalms 109: 21 – 31

Acts 2: 43 – 47

Matthew 13: 33 – 35

Evening Scripture Reading:

2 Kings 23: 21 – 27

Revelation 3: 14 – 22

Collect:

GOD of justice, who has compassion over all YOU have created, we thank YOU for the wisdom YOU have granted to our fore parents to re-discover the path to salvation and true Christian witness. We beseech YOU, O GOD, to challenge our short sightedness and misconceptions of YOUR saving grace and transform us to become reformed agents of love and peace in this world, through JESUS CHRIST our LORD, who lives and reigns with YOU.

Amen.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 28th October 2024

Morning

Psalms- 142 and 143

Old Testament- Nehemiah 8: 9 – 18

New Testament- Revelation 6: 9 – 11

Evening

Psalms- 144

Old Testament- Nehemiah 9: 1 – 14

New Testament- Revelation 6: 12 – 17

Quiz for 28th October 2024 – from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 142; 143 and 144

1) Supplication...deliver...bountifully...reference...Psalm number...?

Nehemiah 8: 9 – 9: 14

2) The joy of the LORD is your strength... reference...?

Revelation 6: 9 – 17

3) What does John see when the fifth seal is opened...reference...?

Verses for 28th October 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 142; 143 and 144

Psalms 144: 5

O LORD...come down.

GOD has trained the psalmist to trust HIM for the battle and for any time of crises. Moreover, the psalmist must continue to trust GOD for the battle, as there are still many dangers to face. After experiencing salvation in CHRIST and the baptism in the HOLY SPIRIT, believers also continue to need GOD's daily strength and grace to face the battles of temptation and spiritual warfare encountered in following CHRIST.

Seeking GOD's face for heaven's help is an ongoing need for all who are members of GOD's kingdom.

OLD TESTAMENT



Nehemiah 8: 9 – 9: 14

Nehemiah 8: 7

Caused the people to understand the law.

Ezra and the Levites demonstrate what should happen whenever GOD's Word is proclaimed to His people. Many of the returned exiles no longer understood Hebrew, for their language was now Aramaic. Thus when the Hebrew Scriptures were read, a group of dedicated men translated it into Aramaic and explained its meaning in a manner that the people could understand and apply to their lives, as a result, the people rejoiced because they had understood the words that were declared unto them.

Revelation, repentance, revival and rejoicing are all potentially present and waiting to be released by the HOLY SPIRIT through anointed messengers who proclaim GOD's Word with clarity, power and conviction.

NEW TESTAMENT



Revelation 6: 9 – 17

Revelation 6: 9

Slain for the Word of GOD.

When the fifth seal is opened, John sees what is happening in heaven. Those slain for the Word of GOD are those who are martyred for their faith in CHRIST and the truth of HIS Word. They are told to have patience, for many more will yet die for their faith. The period of tribulation will be a terrible time of persecution for those who accept the gospel and remain faithful to GOD and HIS Word.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 29th October 2024

Morning

Psalms- 145

Old Testament- Nehemiah 9: 15 – 25

New Testament- Revelation 7: 1 – 4

Evening

Psalms- 146

Old Testament- Nehemiah 9: 26 – 36

New Testament- Revelation 7: 5 – 10

Quiz for 29th October 2024 – from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 145 and 146

1) One generation shall praise thy works to another...reference ...?

Nehemiah 9: 15 – 36

2) Gifts of the HOLY SPIRIT... reference...?

Revelation 7: 1 – 10

3) A great multitude...reference...?

Verses for 29th October 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 145 and 146

Psalms 145: 8

The LORD is gracious.

This often repeated refrain expresses GOD's delight in showing mercy. When HE sees misery, it moves HIS heart to compassion, HE is slow to become angry at our offences and quickly shows love and mercy when forgiveness is required.

OLD TESTAMENT



Nehemiah 9: 15 – 36

Nehemiah 9: 30

And testifieth against them by thy spirit in thy prophets.

A principle work of the HOLY SPIRIT in the Old Testament was to rebuke GOD's people and expose their sin through His faithful prophets. Under the new covenant the Spirit continues to convict people of sin.

NEW TESTAMENT



Revelation 7: 1 – 10

Revelation 7: 9

A great multitude.

John describes a scene in heaven of a great multitude of people from all nations who come to salvation through faith in CHRIST. They will be with GOD free from pain and sorrow. Many believe that this multitude saved by the blood of the LAMB are tribulation saints, because John states that they came out of great tribulation. Those who accept CHRIST are special objects of persecution from satan and evil people.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 30th October 2024

Morning

Psalms- 147

Old Testament- Nehemiah 10: 1 – 29

New Testament- Revelation 7: 11 – 17

Evening

Psalms- 148

Old Testament- Nehemiah 10: 30 – 39

New Testament- Revelation 8: 1 – 5

Quiz for 30th October 2024 – from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 147 and 148

- 1) The might and grace of GOD...Psalm number ...?

Nehemiah 10: 1 – 39

- 2) For what did they cast lots among the priests, Levites and people... reference...?

Revelation 7: 11 – 8: 5

- 3) How did the angels worship GOD...reference...?

Verses for 30th October 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 147 and 148

Psalms 147

The church, like Jerusalem of old, built up and preserved by the wisdom, power, and goodness of GOD, is exhorted to praise HIM for all the benefits and blessings vouchsafed to her; and these are represented by his favours in the course of nature. The thawing word may represent the gospel of CHRIST, and the thawing wind the Spirit of CHRIST; for the Spirit is compared to the wind, John 3:8.

Converting grace softens the heart that was hard frozen, and melts it into tears of repentance, and makes good reflections to flow, which before were chilled and stopped up. The change which the thaw makes is very evident, yet how it is done no one can say. Such is the change wrought in the conversion of a soul, when GOD's word and Spirit are sent to melt it and restore it to itself.

OLD TESTAMENT



Nehemiah 10: 1 – 39

Nehemiah 10: 29

Clave to their brethren...and entered into a curse, and into an oath.

The revival led by Ezra resulted in a firm commitment to obey the will of GOD. This was manifested in the people dedicating themselves. To serve the LORD in faithfulness to HIS commandments. To keep themselves unspotted by and separate from the world and to support the work of GOD with their time, money and possessions.

NEW TESTAMENT



Revelation 7: 11 – 8: 5

Revelation 7: 17

Shall wipe away all tears.

This promise may refer to the removal of any memory that may cause us suffering, regret or remorse.

In heaven nothing that involves deprivation, suffering or sorrow remains.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 31st October 2024

Morning

Psalms- 149

Old Testament- Nehemiah 11: 1 – 14

New Testament- Revelation 8: 6 – 13

Evening

Psalms- 150

Old Testament- Nehemiah 11: 15 – 36

New Testament- Revelation 9: 1 – 6

Quiz for 31st October 2024 – from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 149 and 150

1) The LORD's love of Israel ...Psalm number ...?

Nehemiah 11: 1 – 36

2) Where did the rulers of the people dwell... reference...?

Revelation 8: 6 – 9: 6

3) What is wormwood...reference...?

Verses for 31st October 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 149 and 150

Psalms 150

A psalm of praise.

We are here stirred, up to praise GOD. Praise GOD for His sanctuary, and the privileges we enjoy by having it among us; praise HIM because of HIS power and glory in the firmament. Those who praise the LORD in heaven, behold displays of HIS power and glory which we cannot now conceive. But the greatest of all HIS mighty acts is known in His earthly sanctuary. The holiness and the love of our GOD are more displayed in man's redemption, than in all His other works. Let us praise our

GOD and SAVIOUR for it. We need not care to know what instruments of music are mentioned. Hereby is meant that in serving GOD we should spare no cost or pains.

Praise GOD with strong faith; praise HIM with holy love and delight; praise HIM with entire confidence in CHRIST; praise HIM with believing triumph over the powers of darkness; praise HIM by universal respect to all His commands; praise HIM by cheerful submission to all His disposals; praise HIM by rejoicing in HIS love, and comforting ourselves in HIS goodness; praise HIM by promoting the interests of the kingdom of HIS grace; praise HIM by lively hope and expectation of the kingdom of HIS glory. Since we must shortly breathe our last, while we have breath let us praise the LORD; then we shall breathe our last with comfort. Let everything that hath breath praise the LORD. Praise ye the LORD.

Such is the very suitable end of a book inspired by the Spirit of GOD, written for the work of praise; a book which has supplied the songs of the church for more than three thousand years; a book which is quoted more frequently than any other by CHRIST and His apostles; a book which presents the loftiest ideas of GOD and HIS government, which is fitted to every state of human life, which sets forth every state of religious experience, and which bears simple and clear marks of its Divine origin.

OLD TESTAMENT



Nehemiah 11: 1 – 36

Nehemiah 11

The distribution of the people.

In all ages, men have preferred their own ease and advantage to the public good. Even the professors of religion too commonly seek their own, and not the things of CHRIST. Few have had such attachment to holy things and holy places, as to renounce pleasure for their sake.

Yet surely, our souls should delight to dwell where holy persons and opportunities of spiritual improvement most abound. If we have not this love to the city of our GOD, and to everything that assists our communion with the SAVIOUR, how shall we be willing to depart hence; to be absent from the body, that we may be present with the LORD?

To the carnal-minded, the perfect holiness of the New Jerusalem would be still harder to bear than the holiness of GOD's church on earth. Let us seek first the favour of GOD, and HIS glory; let us study to be patient, contented, and useful in our several stations, and wait, with cheerful hope, for admission into the holy city of GOD.

NEW TESTAMENT

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Revelation 8: 6 – 9: 6

Revelation 9: 6

Seek death but shall not find it.

The pain inflicted by the demonic locusts will be so severe that the people will want to die, but will not be able to. This judgement reveals, that evil and impenitence will most certainly receive divine retribution, that when people oppose GOD and HIS truth and seek evil, they become prey of the demonic. Evil will possess their very nature, soul and life.

November 2024

CSI Almanac – 1st November 2024, Friday

ALL SAINTS DAY

Old Testament Reading:

Jeremiah 31: 31 – 34

Psalms Reading:

Psalms 150

Epistle Reading:

Revelation 7: 2 – 4 & 9 – 17

Gospel Reading:

Matthew 5: 1 – 12

Collect:

O LORD, YOU have wonderfully bound together all Your faithful people in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of YOUR SON CHRIST our LORD, give us grace so to follow Your blessed saints in faith and holy obedience that we may come to that unutterable joy which YOU have prepared for those who truly love YOU, through JESUS CHRIST, who lives and reigns with YOU and the HOLY SPIRIT, one GOD, now and forever more.

Amen.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 1st November 2024, Friday

Morning

Psalms- 1; 2 and 5

Old Testament- Nehemiah 12: 1 – 26

New Testament- Revelation 9: 7 – 12

Evening

Psalms- 3 and 4

Old Testament- Nehemiah 12: 27 – 47

New Testament- Revelation 9: 13 – 16

CSI Almanac – 2nd November 2024, Saturday

ALL SOULS DAY

(COMMEMORATION OF THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED)

Old Testament Reading:

Isaiah 25: 6 – 9

Psalms Reading:

Psalms 118: 14 – 15 & 17 – 21

Epistle Reading:

2 Corinthians 5: 1 – 10 /

Hebrews 12: 1 – 2

Gospel Reading:

John 11: 21 – 27

Collect:

Eternal GOD, Maker and Redeemer of all believers, pour out upon Your whole Church in paradise and on earth the fullness of Your light and grace; and grant that we, following the example of those who have served You here and are now at rest, may at last enter with them into Your unending joy; through JESUS CHRIST, who lives and reigns with YOU and the HOLY SPIRIT, One GOD, now and forever more.

Amen.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 2nd November 2024, Saturday

Morning

Psalms- 8 and 9

Old Testament- Nehemiah 13: 1 – 14

New Testament- Revelation 9: 17 – 21

Evening

Psalms- 6 and 7

Old Testament- Nehemiah 13: 15 – 31

New Testament- Revelation 10: 1 – 11

CHILDREN IN THE CHURCH

(WORLD SUNDAY SCHOOL SUNDAY)

Morning Scripture Reading:

Exodus 2: 1 – 10

Psalms 47

3 John: 1 – 15

Luke 18: 15 – 17

Evening Scripture Reading:

Deuteronomy 28: 1 – 6 /

Matthew 21: 15 – 17

Collect:

Compassionate GOD, who said, 'let the children come to me, and do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of GOD belongs.' Show mercy upon the children in the Church that they may come to that unutterable joy which you give to those who truly love you. Enable the church to set models for the children to emulate in love and charity; honesty and humility. Through JESUS CHRIST the LORD, who by obedience to the FATHER and being lead by the HOLY SPIRIT, wrought us salvation.

Amen.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 4th November 2024

Morning

Psalms- 15 and 16

Old Testament- Nahum 1: 1 – 6

New Testament- Revelation 11: 1 – 7

Evening

Psalms- 17

Old Testament- Nahum 1: 7 – 15

New Testament- Revelation 11: 8 – 14

Quiz for 4th November 2024– from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 15; 16 and 17

1) He that backbiteth not ...reference ...?

Nahum 1: 1 – 15

2) HE knoweth them that trust in HIM... reference...?

Revelation 11: 1 – 14

3) Witnessing...reference...?

Verses for 4th November 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 15; 16 and 17

Psalms 16: 10

Thou wilt not leave my soul in hell.

Hell (Sheol) here means the grave. So personal relationship with GOD will give believers confidence in a future life with GOD and the certainty that HE will not abandon them to the grave. The apostles Peter Paul applied this verse to CHRIST and HIS resurrection.

OLD TESTAMENT



Nahum 1: 1 – 15

Nahum 1: 3

The LORD is slow to anger.

GOD desires to give sinners time to repent, but there is a limit to HIS kindness and patience, those who persist in wickedness will eventually encounter HIS wrath.

NEW TESTAMENT



Revelation 11: 1 – 14

Revelation 11: 4

Olive treescandlesticks.

The two olive trees here represent the abundance of the oil of anointing of the HOLY SPIRIT flowing through two men of GOD regarding a similar description of the SPIRIT's anointing upon Zerubbabel and Joshua.

In Revelation the candlesticks symbolize the churches of JESUS CHRIST. By using this language John says that the two witnesses will be abundantly empowered by the HOLY SPIRIT and represent the churches of JESUS CHRIST as GOD's clear witness and mouthpiece to perform miraculous signs in the presence of unbelievers.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 5th November 2024

Morning

Psalms- 18: 1 – 24

Old Testament- Nahum 2: 1 – 8

New Testament- Revelation 11: 15 – 19

Evening

Psalms- 18: 25 – 50

Old Testament- Nahum 2: 9 – 13

New Testament- Revelation 12: 1 – 6

Quiz for 5th November 2024– from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 18

1) Salvation ...Reference ...?

Nahum 2: 1 – 13

2) I am against thee... reference...?

Revelation 11: 15 – 12: 6

3) What did the four and twenty elders do...reference...?

Verses for 5th November 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 18

Psalms 18: 29 – 50

When we praise for one mercy, we must observe the many more, with which we have been compassed all our days.

Many things had contributed to David's advancement, and he owns the hand of GOD in them all, to teach us to do likewise.

In verse 32, and the following verses, are the gifts of GOD to the spiritual warrior, whereby he is prepared for the contest, after the example of his victorious Leader.

Learn that we must seek release being made through CHRIST, shall be rejected. In David the type, we behold out of trouble through CHRIST. The prayer put up, without reconciliation JESUS our Redeemer, conflicting with enemies, compassed with sorrows and with floods of ungodly men, enduring not only the pains of death, but the wrath of GOD for us; yet calling upon the Father with strong cries and tears; rescued from the grave; proceeding to reconcile, or to put under his feet all other enemies, till death, the last enemy, shall be destroyed. We should love the LORD, our Strength, and our Salvation; we should call on HIM in every trouble, and praise HIM for every deliverance; we should aim to walk with HIM in all righteousness and true holiness, keeping from sin. If we belong to HIM, HE conquers and reigns for us, and we shall conquer and reign through HIM, and partake of the mercy of our anointed King, which is promised to all HIS seed for evermore. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT



Nahum 2: 1 – 13

Nahum 2: 13

I am against thee.

GOD Himself stood against Nineveh. Their brutality, cruelty and inhuman atrocities had been so great that the almighty GOD of the universe declared war against them. The time for their repentance was past, they would now receive the judgment and grief they deserved.

NEW TESTAMENT



Revelation 11: 15 – 12: 6

Revelation 11: 16

Four and twenty elders.

The twenty four elders prophesy what will happen at CHRIST's coming. The nations will be enraged, the dead will be judged and GOD will destroy them that destroy the earth those who are evil.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 6th November 2024

Morning

Psalms- 19 and 20

Old Testament- Nahum 3: 1 – 7

New Testament- Revelation 12: 7 – 12

Evening

Psalms- 21

Old Testament- Nahum 3: 8 – 19

New Testament- Revelation 12: 13 – 17

Quiz for 6th November 2024– from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 19; 20 and 21

1) The commandment of the LORD is pure ...Reference ...?

Nahum 3: 1 – 19

2) Why Nineveh is called the bloody city...?

Revelation 12: 7 – 17

3) Victory over satan and demons...reference...?

Verses for 6th November 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 19; 20 and 21

Psalms 19: 14

Let the words of my mouth ... heart be acceptable in THY sight.

The proper response to the work of salvation in our lives is a constant prayer that GOD will keep our hearts, words and lives free from sin and pleasing to HIM. Both the meditation of our hearts and the reflection of our minds should be acceptable to GOD.

OLD TESTAMENT



Nahum 3: 1 – 19

Nahum 3: 5

I am against thee.

Because of Nineveh's great sin, GOD Himself would personally expose the depravity of its residents and destroy them. No power on earth can protect a nation that GOD has determined to oppose. When sin reaches a certain level in any society, GOD will expose the people to shame by bringing down all their means of security, such a society will collapse.

NEW TESTAMENT



Revelation 12: 7 – 17

Revelation 12: 11

They overcame him.

Faithful believers on earth overcome satan by being freed from his power by the Blood of the LAMB, by determining to speak for CHRIST and by showing a willingness to serve CHRIST at any cost.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 7th November 2024

Morning

Psalms- 22

Old Testament- Haggai 1: 1 – 4

New Testament- Revelation 13: 1 – 4

Evening

Psalms- 23 and 24

Old Testament- Haggai 1: 5 – 11

New Testament- Revelation 13: 5 – 10

Quiz for 7th November 2024– from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 22; 23 and 24

1) Explain briefly my cup runneth over...?

Haggai 1: 1 – 11

2) During whose reign did prophet Haggai prophecy...?

Revelation 13: 1 – 10

3) Explain Lamb slain from the foundation...?

Verses for 7th November 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 22; 23 and 24

Psalms 23: 5

My cup runneth over, an abundant drink.

On the road to Bethlehem is a well with a stone coping around it. Next to it is a shepherd's cup. A large stone hollowed out so it holds 30 or 40 gallons of water for the sheep. In this psalm, David was talking about a shepherd's cup.

OLD TESTAMENT



Haggai 1: 1 – 11

Haggai 1: 6 – 11

Own much, and bring little.

GOD's people had lost HIS blessing because they were living self-seeking lives, they showed minimal interest in HIS goals and purposes.

We too can expect GOD's blessing and help in our lives to decline if we are not vitally concerned for HIS work, both at home and among the nations.

NEW TESTAMENT



Revelation 13: 1 – 10

Revelation 13: 8

Lamb slain from the foundation.

The redemptive death of CHRIST for the salvation of humanity was decreed from the very beginning of the creation of the world - Genesis 3:15.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 8th November 2024

Morning

Psalms- 25 and 26

Old Testament- Haggai 1: 12 – 15

New Testament- Revelation 13: 11 – 14

Evening

Psalms- 27 and 28

Old Testament- Haggai 2: 1 – 9

New Testament- Revelation 13: 15 – 18

Quiz for 8th November 2024– from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 25 to 28

- 1) Salvation ...Reference ...?

Haggai 1: 12 – 2: 9

- 2) Explain holiness and uncleanness...?

Revelation 13: 11 – 18

- 3) How does the antichrist will seek to get total economic control of the world...?

Verses for 8th November 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 25 to 28

Psalms 25: 14

Them that fear HIM.

Personal knowledge of GOD and intimate fellowship with HIM are reserved for those who feared HIM and turn away from evil.

OLD TESTAMENT



Haggai 1: 12 – 2: 9

Haggai 2: 6 – 9

I will shake the heavens and the earth.

This verse refers to GOD's judgement on the world preceding and accompanying the return of CHRIST to earth, the heavens and the earth shall shake, GOD's glory will then fill the temple more than ever before, and he will dwell among His people in peace as the glorious Saviour.

NEW TESTAMENT



Revelation 13: 11 – 18

Revelation 13: 15

Worship the image of the beast.

A decree will be given to kill all who refuse to worship the world ruler and his images. In other words many who resist the antichrist and remain faithful and loyal to JESUS will pay with their lives.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 9th November 2024

Morning

Psalms- 29 and 30

Old Testament- Haggai 2: 10 – 19

New Testament- Revelation 14: 1 – 5

Evening

Psalms- 31

Old Testament- Haggai 2: 20 – 23

New Testament- Revelation 14: 6 – 13

Verses for 9th November 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 29; 30 and 31

Psalms 31: 5

Into thine hand I commit my spirit.

These were JESUS last words before HIS death, these words have often been used by faithful believers in their dying hours. They express dependence on GOD and faith in HIS goodness to HIS people. To commit ourselves into GOD's care is equally appropriate during times of danger and difficulty.

OLD TESTAMENT



Haggai 2: 10 – 23

Haggai 2: 21

I will shake the heavens and the earth.

The prophet encouraged Zerubbabel, the governor of GOD's people, by saying that one day GOD would destroy the power of kingdoms and nations throughout the

earth, that day is the time JESUS CHRIST will reign over all the inhabitants of the world.

NEW TESTAMENT

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Revelation 14: 1 – 13

Revelation 14: 4

They were not defiled with women.

This phrase is best understood in a spiritual sense. The 144,000 overcomers remained pure by refusing to conform to the pagan world system or to become a part of the false religion of the last days, including apostate Christianity. Note the character of those who will be close to CHRIST in heaven. They are virgins in the sense of undefiled by the world and false religion.

LIGHT ON THE LAMP STANDS

(UNITY SUNDAY)

Morning Scripture Reading:

Zechariah 4: 1 – 14

Psalms 27

1 Corinthians 3: 10 – 15

Matthew 5: 14 – 16

Evening Scripture Reading:

Psalm 105: 1 – 19

Revelation 1: 12 – 20

Collect:

GOD of light, we thank YOU for JESUS CHRIST the light of the world who came to dispel darkness. LORD, we praise YOU for the diversity YOU have given us. We believe and affirm that we are one flock following one shepherd JESUS CHRIST. Give us strength to be united, appreciating and overcoming all differences in all perspectives. Let these differences enhance our fellowship in unity. Let no darkness overpower us, but keep us as a light on the lamp stand so that we could be instruments in dispelling darkness, through JESUS CHRIST our LORD, who lives and reigns with YOU and the HOLY SPIRIT, one GOD world without end.

Amen.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 11th November 2024

Morning

Psalms- 34

Old Testament- Deuteronomy 30: 15 – 20

New Testament- Colossians 1: 1 – 8

Evening

Psalms- 35

Old Testament- Deuteronomy 31: 1 – 8

New Testament- Colossians 1: 9 – 12

Quiz for 11th November 2024– from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 34 and 35

1) Old Testament Prophecy and New Testament fulfilment ...?

Deuteronomy 30: 15 – 31: 8

2) What was the command and promise to the Israelites...reference...?

Colossians 1: 1 – 12

3) Fruit of the HOLY SPIRIT...reference...?

Verses for 11th November 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 34 and 35

Psalms 34

I will bless the LORD.

The writer of this psalm praises the LORD for a miraculous deliverance from great trouble. His testimony encourages all afflicted believers to believe that they may also experience the goodness of the LORD.

OLD TESTAMENT



Deuteronomy 30: 15 – 31: 8

Deuteronomy 30: 20

Love the LORD thy GOD.

The Israelites were commanded to maintain their relationship with GOD by loving HIM and obeying HIS voice. To express that obedience, however, they had to recognize their inability to fulfil the law by bringing sacrifices of atonement for their shortcomings. Life and salvation were never promised as a reward for perfect obedience, the law assumed the imperfection of faith and obedience on the part of GOD's people and thus provided the sacrificial system that atoned for sin Israel's ultimate hope rested in the mercy and grace of GOD.

NEW TESTAMENT



Colossians 1: 1 – 12

Colossians 1: 9

Knowledge of HIS will.

The Knowledge of the will of GOD results from praying and remaining in HIS Word and in fellowship with HIM. Only this kind of Knowledge results in spiritual wisdom and understanding and transforms our hearts and lives.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 12th November 2024

Morning

Psalms- 36 and 37: 1 – 11

Old Testament- Deuteronomy 31: 9 – 15

New Testament- Colossians 1: 13 – 20

Evening

Psalms- 37: 12 – 40

Old Testament- Deuteronomy 31: 16 – 23

New Testament- Colossians 1: 21 – 29

Quiz for 12th November 2024– from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 36 and 37

1) Blessings to the righteous...Psalm number ...?

Deuteronomy 31: 9 – 23

2) Where did the LORD appear...?

Colossians 1: 13 – 29

3) What in you is the hope of glory...reference...?

Verses for 12th November 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 36 and 37

Psalms 38: 3

No soundness in my flesh.

The psalmist emphasizes two consequences of committing serious sin after knowing the LORD and having received HIS mercy --- Divine anger and judgement.

The teaching that GOD always forgives and forgets sin without ever chastising the repentant believer is not a biblical teaching. A repentant sinner, even after experiencing GOD's forgiveness, may experience for some time thereafter the

temporal consequences of their forgiven sin, sometimes for years. Bodily pain and mental anguish Sin brings a heavy burden and suffering to the transgressor. GOD may allow severe sickness or even death as the result of our iniquity.

OLD TESTAMENT



Deuteronomy 31: 9 – 23

Deuteronomy 31: 16

Will forsake me.

The LORD knew the Israelites history and their basic disposition toward unfaithfulness. Thus GOD prophetically revealed to Moses their future apostasy and HIS corresponding judgements. This prophecy was to be preserved in the form of a song as GOD's warning to later generations.

NEW TESTAMENT



Colossians 1: 13 – 29

Colossians 1: 20

Reconcile all things.

Humanity and everything in the universe are brought in unity and harmony under CHRIST. It does not mean, however that all people are reconciled irrespective of their wills. The person who rejects CHRIST's offer of reconciliation remains GOD's enemy.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 13th November 2024

Morning

Psalms- 38

Old Testament- Deuteronomy 31: 24 – 30

New Testament- Colossians 2: 1 – 7

Evening

Psalms- 39

Old Testament- Deuteronomy 32: 1 – 6

New Testament- Colossians 2: 8 – 15

Quiz for 13th November 2024– from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 38 and 39

1) In time of trouble...Psalm number ...?

Deuteronomy 31: 24 – 32: 6

2) Where was the book of law placed...reference ...?

Colossians 2: 1 – 15

3) We are to be rooted and built up in whom and walk in HIM...reference...?

Verses for 13th November 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 38 and 39

Psalms 38: 21

Be not far from me.

One terrible consequence of wilful sin is the loss of GOD's fellowship and the sense of HIS presence. It is a grievous and bitter experience to commit wilful sin after knowing the mercy of GOD and the indwelling of the HOLY SPIRIT.

OLD TESTAMENT



Deuteronomy 31: 24 – 32: 6

Deuteronomy 31: 30

This song.

Moses song was designed to impress upon the Israelites that their existence was a result of GOD's faithfulness and mercy. The LORD alone guided them and sustained them. Israel's response, on the other hand, was in large measure one of wickedness and folly. The song concluded by warning Israel that future infidelity, rebellion and apostasy would bring GOD's severe judgements on the nation.

NEW TESTAMENT



Colossians 2: 1 – 15

Colossians 2: 15

Spoiled principalities and powers.

CHRIST triumphed over satan by disarming all the demonic powers and authorities by HIS death on the cross. HE stripped them of their power to hold men and women captive to the dominion of evil against their will. The child of GOD shares in this triumph. We not only gain victory over the world and temptation, but we also possess in CHRIST the authority to wage war against the spiritual forces of evil.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 14th November 2024

Morning

Psalms- 40

Old Testament- Deuteronomy 32: 7 – 18

New Testament- Colossians 2: 16 – 23

Evening

Psalms- 41

Old Testament- Deuteronomy 32: 19 – 27

New Testament- Colossians 3: 1 – 7

Quiz for 14th November 2024– from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 40 and 41

1) Old Testament Prophecy and New Testament fulfilment ...?

Deuteronomy 32: 7 – 27

2) Of the rock that...reference?

Colossians 2: 16 – 3: 7

3) Who is our life...reference...?

Verses for 14th November 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 40 and 41

Psalms 40: 8

THY law is within my heart.

The obedient faith that GOD desires is a faith that sincerely delights in following GOD's will and manifests that joy by striving to hide GOD's Word in the heart.

OLD TESTAMENT



Deuteronomy 32: 7 – 27

Deuteronomy 32: 15

Waxed fat.

Prosperity was a major factor in the Israelites forgetting GOD and embracing idolatry. History has shown repeatedly that in times of ease and plenty, GOD's people are most prone to forget GOD and to stop seeking HIS face. During adverse circumstances, however, GOD's people are more likely to approach GOD earnestly and ask for HIS help.

NEW TESTAMENT



Colossians 2: 16 – 3: 7

Colossians 3: 4

CHRIST....Who is our life.

Although right doctrine and holy lives are essential part of redemption in CHRIST, it is fellowship with and love for CHRIST as a person that must always be kept central. Notice the emphasis on the believers' personal communion with CHRIST in this letter.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 15th November 2024

Morning

Psalms- 44

Old Testament- Deuteronomy 32: 28 – 35

New Testament- Colossians 3: 8 – 11

Evening

Psalms- 42 and 43

Old Testament- Deuteronomy 32: 36 – 47

New Testament- Colossians 3: 12 – 17

Quiz for 15th November 2024– from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 42; 43 and 44

1) A plea for judgement...Psalm number ...?

Deuteronomy 32: 28 – 47

2) Healing...reference?

Colossians 3: 8 – 17

3) How must the word of CHRIST dwell in us...reference...?

Verses for 15th November 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 42; 43 and 44

Psalms 43

David endeavours to still his spirit, with hope and confidence in GOD. As to the quarrel GOD had with David for sin, he prays, Enter not into judgment with me, if Thou doest so I shall be condemned; but as to the quarrel his enemies had with him, he prays, LORD, judge me, and in thy providence appear on my behalf.

If we cannot comfort ourselves in GOD, we may stay ourselves upon HIM, and may have spiritual supports, when we want spiritual delights. HE never cast off any that trusted in HIM, whatever fears they may have had of their own state. We need

desire no more to make us happy, than the good that flow from GOD's favour, and is included in HIS promise. Those whom GOD leads, HE leads to HIS holy hill; those, therefore, who pretend to be led by the Spirit, and yet turn their backs upon ordinance, deceive themselves.

We are still to pray for the Spirit of light and truth, who supplies the want of CHRIST's bodily presence, to guide us in the way to heaven. Whatever we rejoice or triumph in, the LORD must be the joy of it. David applies to GOD as his never-failing hope.

Let us pray earnestly, that the LORD would send forth the truth of HIS word, and the light of HIS Spirit, to guide us into the way of holiness, peace, and salvation. The desire of the Christian, like that of the prophet in distress, is to be saved from sin as well as sorrow; to be taught in the way of righteousness by the light of heavenly wisdom, shining in JESUS CHRIST, and to be led by this light and truth to the New Jerusalem.

OLD TESTAMENT



Deuteronomy 32: 28 – 47

Deuteronomy 32: 28 – 38

The idolatry and rebellions of Israel deserved, and the justice of GOD seemed to demand, that they should be rooted out. But HE spared Israel, and continues them still to be living witnesses of the truth of the Bible, and to silence unbelievers. They are preserved for wise and holy purposes and the prophecies give us some idea what those purposes are.

The LORD will never disgrace the throne of HIS glory. It is great wisdom, and will help much to the return of sinners to GOD, seriously to consider their latter end, or the future state. It is here meant particularly of what GOD foretold by Moses, about this people in the latter days; but it may be applied generally.

Oh that men would consider the happiness they will lose, and the misery they will certainly plunge into, if they go on in their trespasses! What will be in the end thereof? Jeremiah 5:31. For the LORD will in due time bring down the enemies of the church, in displeasure against their wickedness. When sinners deem themselves most secure, they suddenly fall into destruction. And GOD's time to appear for the

deliverance of his people, is when things are at the worst with them. But those who trust to any rock but GOD, will find it fail them when they most need it.

The rejection of the MESSIAH by the Jewish nation, is the continuance of their ancient idolatry, apostasy, and rebellion. They shall be brought to humble themselves before the LORD, to repent of their sins, and to trust in their long-rejected Mediator for salvation. Then he will deliver them, and make their prosperity great.

NEW TESTAMENT

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Colossians 3: 8 – 17

Colossians 3: 16

Word of CHRIST dwell in you.

The Word of CHRIST must be continually read, studied, meditated on and prayed over until it richly dwells in us. When this occurs our thoughts words, deeds and motivations will be influenced and controlled by CHRIST. The singing of Psalms hymns and spiritual songs is helpful for internalizing the Word and establishing our hearts affection for CHRIST JESUS and other believers in the body of CHRIST.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 16th November 2024

Morning

Psalms- 45

Old Testament- Deuteronomy 32: 48 – 52

New Testament- Colossians 3: 18 – 25

Evening

Psalms- 46

Old Testament- Deuteronomy 33: 1 – 6

New Testament- Colossians 4: 1 – 6

Verses for 16th November 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 45 and 46

Psalms 45: 6 & 7

THY throne, O GOD, is for ever and ever.

These two verses find their ultimate fulfilment in JESUS CHRIST. The author of Hebrews applies these verses to the exaltation, prominence, authority and character of CHRIST.

In this psalm the most significant characteristics of CHRIST is described in terms of loving and hating. HE loves righteousness because it characterizes HIS nature and kingdom. HIS joy is found in doing HIS FATHER's Will.

OLD TESTAMENT



Deuteronomy 32: 48 – 33: 6

Deuteronomy 33: 5

Jeshurun.

This is the name for Israel, meaning the upright one, the law keeper, the one upholding justice.

NEW TESTAMENT

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Colossians 3: 18 – 4: 6

Colossians 4: 3

GOD would open unto us a door.

Paul was confident that GOD was working by opening and shutting doors in order to direct his life and ministry. The fruitfulness of our lives and our witness depends both on HIS providence and on HIS direct intervention. We should pray for GOD to open doors for us and to indicate where we ought to work.

PROTECTING THE GIRL CHILD

(Sunday for the Girl Child)

Morning Scripture Reading:

Job 42: 10 – 17

Psalms 45: 8 – 14

Acts 16: 16 – 18

Matthew 15: 21 – 28

Evening Scripture Reading:

Judges 11: 34 – 40

Acts 9: 36 – 43

Collect:

Creator GOD, YOU created us man and woman in YOUR own image. We thank YOU for all the girl children in our homes, Churches and society. We pray for the girl children who are victims of sexual abuse, harassment and child labour. May YOU grant us courage so that we may fight against these evils and also foeticide and infanticide. Enable us to respect, honour and protect girl children in our own context and thereby assure future to them, through JESUS CHRIST our LORD, who lives and reigns with YOU and the HOLY SPIRIT, one GOD world without end.

Amen.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 18th November 2024

Morning

Psalms- 50

Old Testament- Deuteronomy 33: 7 – 11

New Testament- Colossians 4: 7 – 11

Evening

Psalms- 51

Old Testament- Deuteronomy 33: 12 – 22

New Testament- Colossians 4: 12 – 18

Quiz for 18th November 2024– from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 50 and 51

1) What is hyssop ...?

Deuteronomy 33: 7 – 22

2) What is Thummim and Urim?

Colossians 4: 7 – 18

3) Who was Onesimus...?

Verses for 18th November 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 50 and 51

Psalms 51: 10

Create in me a clean heart.

All believers need GOD's Spirit to create in them. All believers need GOD's Spirit to create in them a pure heart that hates iniquity and a renewed spirit that desires to do the will of GOD. Only GOD can make us new creation and restore us to true godliness.

OLD TESTAMENT



Deuteronomy 33: 7 – 22

Deuteronomy 33: 9

Neither did he acknowledge his brethren.

After Israel's sin with the golden calf, the Levites stood with GOD even against their nearest relatives. They held fast to the covenant and chastened those who participated in the worship of the golden calf. GOD rewarded them for their zeal for HIS cause and appointing them as guardians of the law, and as those who would offer sacrifices. Our love for and dedication to GOD and HIS Word must always be first in our lives and take priority over friends, family or church.

NEW TESTAMENT



Colossians 4: 7 – 18

Colossians 4: 10 – 18

Paul had differed with Barnabas, on the account of this Mark, yet he is not only reconciled, but recommends him to the churches; an example of a truly Christian and forgiving spirit. If men have been guilty of a fault, it must not always be remembered against them. We must forget as well as forgive. The apostle had comfort in the communion of saints and ministers. One is his fellow-servant, another his fellow-prisoner, and all his fellow-workers, working out their own salvation, and endeavouring to promote the salvation of others. The effectual, fervent prayer is the prevailing prayer, and availeth much. The smiles, flatteries, or frowns of the world, the spirit of error, or the working of self-love, leads many to a way of preaching and living which comes far short of fulfilling their ministry. But those who preach the same doctrine as Paul, and follow his example, may expect the Divine favour and blessing.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 19th November 2024

Morning

Psalms- 52 and 53

Old Testament- Deuteronomy 33: 23 – 29

New Testament- Jude 1 – 4

Evening

Psalms- 54

Old Testament- Deuteronomy 34: 1 – 12

New Testament- Jude 5 – 8

Quiz for 19th November 2024– from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 52; 53 and 54

1) GOD is mine helper ... reference ...?

Deuteronomy 33: 23 – 34: 12

2) Mention Moses main distinction ... reference...?

Jude 1: 1 – 8

3) Briefly explain contend for the faith...?

Verses for 19th November 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 52; 53 and 54

Psalms 54: 4

GOD is mine helper.

This psalm is an appropriate prayer for the believer facing dangers or imminent disaster. The psalmist calls for help, expecting that GOD will respond in HIS saving, delivering and healing power. Today the LORD sends the HOLY SPIRIT to be our helper on earth and the sustainer of our souls.

OLD TESTAMENT



Deuteronomy 33: 23 – 34: 12

Deuteronomy 34: 10

Arose not a prophet since...like unto Moses.

Moses great distinctions were his intimate fellowship with GOD and his understanding of the nature and person of GOD. The foremost desire of all believers should be to know GOD and experience HIS close fellowship, this is our greatest privilege and right as GOD's children. No person in CHRIST, possessing an inner life of devotion and an outer life of godliness, will stand denied the presence and grace of GOD. The fellowship of GOD the FATHER, the SON and the HOLY SPIRIT is the believer's greatest promise and reward.

NEW TESTAMENT



Jude 1: 1 – 8

Jude 1: 3

The faith ...delivered unto the saints.

Those faithful to CHRIST are placed under the solemn obligation to contend for the faith that GOD delivered to the apostles and saints. The faith consists of the gospel proclaimed by CHRIST and the apostles. It is the fixed and unalterable truth, given by the HOLY SPIRIT and embodied in the New Testament.

The word contend describes the battle that the faithful believer must fight in the defence of the faith. It means literally to struggle, suffer be under great stress or fight a fight. We must exert ourselves to the utmost in the defense of GOD's Word and the New Testament faith. Taking a direct stand against those who deny the authority of the Bible or distort the faith as presented by CHRIST and the apostles.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 20th November 2024

Morning

Psalms- 55

Old Testament- Malachi 1: 1 – 5

New Testament- Jude 1: 9 – 12

Evening

Psalms- 56

Old Testament- Malachi 1: 6 – 14

New Testament- Jude 1: 13 – 15

Quiz for 20th November 2024– from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 55 and 56

1) Cast thy burden... reference ...?

Malachi 1: 1 – 14

2) Mention two sins committed by priests...?

Jude 1: 9 – 15

3) Victory over satan and demons ... reference...?

Verses for 20th November 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 55 and 56

Psalms 56: 7 – 13

The heavy and continued trials through which many of the LORD's people have passed, should teach us to be silent and patient under lighter crosses. Yet we are often tempted to repine and despond under small sorrows. For this we should check ourselves.

David comforts himself, in his distress and fear, that GOD noticed all his grievances and all his grief's. GOD has a bottle and a book for his people's tears, both the tears for their sins, and those for their afflictions. HE observes them with tender concern.

Every true believer may boldly say, The LORD is my helper, and then I will not fear what man shall do unto me; for man has no power but what is given him from above.

THY vows are upon me, O LORD; not as a burden, but as that by which I am known to be THY servant; as a bridle that restrains me from what would be hurtful, and directs me in the way of my duty. And vows of thankfulness properly accompany prayers for mercy.

If GOD deliver us from sin, either from doing it, or by HIS pardoning mercy, HE has delivered our souls from death, which is the wages of sin. Where the LORD has begun a good work HE will carry it on and perfect it. David hopes that GOD would keep him even from the appearance of sin.

We should aim in all our desires and expectations of deliverance, both from sin and trouble, that we may do the better service to the LORD; that we may serve HIM without fear. If HIS grace has delivered our souls from the death of sin, HE will bring us to heaven, to walk before HIM for ever in light.

OLD TESTAMENT



Malachi 1: 1 – 14

Malachi 1: 2

I have loved you.

The people were doubting that GOD really loved them, having experienced trouble, they accused GOD of being unfaithful to His covenant promises. The LORD insisted that HE had cared for them over the years in a special way. In reality, it was Israel who had failed to love and honour GOD by their disobedience to HIS law.

NEW TESTAMENT



Jude 1: 7 – 18

Jude 1: 1 – 9

Michael...contending with the devil.

If the archangel Michael refused to slander satan but relied on GOD to rebuke him, how much more should we as humans refrain from presumption in attacking spiritual powers and authorities.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 21st November 2024

Morning

Psalms- 57 and 58

Old Testament- Malachi 2: 1 – 8

New Testament- Jude 1: 16 – 20

Evening

Psalms- 59: 1 – 4 & 9 – 17

Old Testament- Malachi 2: 10 – 17

New Testament- Jude 1: 21 – 25

Quiz for 21st November 2024– from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 57; 58 and 59: 1 – 4 & 9 – 17

1) Until these calamities be... reference ...?

Malachi 2: 1 – 17

2) Walking in obedience and righteousness...reference...?

Jude 1: 16 – 25

3) Second Coming ... reference...?

Verses for 21st November 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 57; 58 and 59: 1 – 4 & 9 – 17

Psalms 57: 7

Psalm 57 is attributed to King David, who wrote it while hiding in a cave after fleeing from King Saul.

The psalm reflects David's belief that GOD is faithful, reliable, and a source of comfort and strength. It also reminds us that GOD's love is the foundation for our faith, and that we can trust in HIM even when life is difficult.

OLD TESTAMENT



Malachi 2: 1 – 17

Malachi 2: 9

Have been partial in the law.

The priests were showing partiality to the rich and influential, allowing them to continue in their unjust and sinful ways and failing to confront them with GOD's word of warning. Pastoral leaders must preach the whole counsel of GOD proclaiming His righteous demands to all the people. To preach the blessings of the LORD ALMIGHTY and omit HIS righteous requirements for us is an abomination to HIM.

NEW TESTAMENT



Jude 1: 16 – 25

Jude 1: 20

Building up yourselves.

Believers must defend and propagate the faith and resist false teaching in four ways.

1. Building ourselves up in our most holy faith. The Holy faith is the New Testament revelations handed down by CHRIST and the apostles
2. By praying in the Spirit. We must pray by the enabling power of the HOLY SPIRIT. By looking to the HOLY SPIRIT to inspire, guide energize and sustain.
3. By remaining in the sphere of GOD's love for us.
4. By longing and waiting for the return of our LORD JESUS CHRIST.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 22nd November 2024

Morning

Psalms- 60 and 61

Old Testament- Malachi 3: 1 – 6

New Testament- Philemon 1: 1 – 3

Evening

Psalms- 119: 161 – 176

Old Testament- Malachi 3: 7 – 12

New Testament- Philemon 1: 4 – 7

Quiz for 22nd November 2024– from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 60; 61 and 119: 161 – 176

- 1) Prayer for national deliverance ...?

Malachi 3: 1 – 12

- 2) Blessing for not robbing GOD...reference...?

Philemon 1: 1 – 7

- 3) Where did the people gather for worship, ministry and fellowship...?

Verses for 22nd November 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 60; 61 and 119: 161 – 176

Psalms 61: 5

For thou, O GOD, hast heard my vows — my fervent prayers, attended with vows and promises, as was usual, especially in cases of great danger or difficulty. Thou hast taken notice of them; thou hast accepted them, because they were made in sincerity, and hast been well pleased with them. We ought always to remember that GOD is a witness to all our vows, all our good purposes, and solemn promises of new obedience. HE keeps an account of them, which should be a sufficient reason with us (as it was with David here) why we should perform our vows. For he that hears

the vows we make, will cause us to hear from HIM if they be not made good. Thou hast given me the heritage, Thou hast allotted me my portion with and among them that fear and worship thee, who are the excellent ones, in whom is all my delight, and upon that account I must acknowledge it to Thy praise, that I have a goodly heritage. Thou hast granted me this singular mercy, to live in thy land, to enjoy Thy presence, and to worship in Thy tabernacle.

OLD TESTAMENT



Malachi 3: 1 – 12

Malachi 3: 10

Pour you out a blessing.

If the people would repent, return to GOD, and, as a sign of their repentance, begin to support GOD's work and ministers with their tithes and offerings, GOD would abundantly bless them. GOD expects His people to demonstrate their love for and devotion to HIM and HIS work by giving tithes and offerings to further HIS kingdom. The blessings that accompany faithfulness in financial giving will come both in this life and in the hereafter.

NEW TESTAMENT



Philemon 1: 1 – 7

Philemon 1: 2

The church in thy house.

Philemon's home in Colosse was a gathering place of the church for worship, ministry and fellowship. House churches were common in New Testament times. It is not until the third century that separate church buildings are mentioned.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 23rd November 2024

Morning

Psalms- 62 and 63

Old Testament- Malachi 3: 13 – 18

New Testament- Philemon 1: 8 – 16

Evening

Psalms- 64 and 65

Old Testament- Malachi 4: 1 – 6

New Testament- Philemon 1: 17 – 25

Verses for 23rd November 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 62 to 65

Psalms 63: 2

To see THY power and THY glory....in the sanctuary.

Not only should we earnestly seek GOD's presence in our personal lives, but we should also long for HIS SPIRIT, power and glory to be manifested in HIS house. We should pray for GOD to assert HIMSELF in power against satanic dominion, demonic oppression, sin and sickness and infirmities. We should fervently desire that the gospel might convict and save sinners, sanctify them into the SPIRIT's fullness.

OLD TESTAMENT



Malachi 3: 13 – 4: 6

Malachi 4: 6

Turn the heart of the fathers to the children.

The future ministry of the coming prophet is described in terms of putting families right with GOD and each other, John the Baptist preached to this end. The one most

responsible for accomplishing is the father of the family. Fathers must love their children by praying for them, spending time with them, pointing out the ungodly ways of the world, and diligently teaching them GOD's Word and righteous standards.

Pastors must also make this goal of John the Baptist their own purpose for their ministry, thus preparing the church for the LORD's coming.

NEW TESTAMENT

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Philemon 1: 8 – 25

Philemon 1: 16

A brother beloved.

Slavery cannot exist among believers who have seen the truth of Christian brotherhood. Onesimus must no longer be treated as a slave, but as a fellow believer and dear brother, one who in GOD's sight is equal with the apostle Paul and with Philemon.

WAITING PRAYERFULLY FOR THE COMING OF THE LORD

Morning Scripture Reading:

Malachi 4: 1 – 6

Psalms 121

2 Thessalonians 2: 1 – 17

Matthew 25: 1 – 13

Evening Scripture Reading:

Isaiah 2: 2 – 4

Revelation 22: 16 – 21

Collect:

Almighty GOD, YOU have called us through YOUR SON to wait prayerfully for the coming of the LORD. Help us to amend our ways according to YOUR scriptures, live worthy of YOUR calling, and thus be prepared to welcome HIM, who lives and reigns with YOU and the HOLY SPIRIT, one GOD, now and ever.

Amen.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 25th November 2024

Morning

Psalms- 68: 1 – 20 & 24 – 35

Old Testament- Ruth 1: 1 – 5

New Testament- Philippians 1: 1 – 11

Evening

Psalms- 69: 1 – 21 & 29 – 36

Old Testament- Ruth 1: 6 – 18

New Testament- Philippians 1: 12 – 20

Quiz for 25th November 2024– from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 68: 1 – 20 & 24 – 35 and 69: 1 – 21 & 29 – 36

1) Old Testament Prophecy and New Testament fulfilment ...?

Ruth 1: 1 – 18

2) Ruth belonged to which country...?

Philippians 1: 1 – 20

3) What is Paul confident about the Philippians...reference...?

Verses for 25th November 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 68: 1 – 20 & 24 – 35 and 69: 1 – 21 & 29 – 36

Psalms 69: 22 – 28

Let their table become a snare before them.

The psalmist prays for judgement to come on those who oppose GOD and inflict suffering upon the righteous. Paul applied these verses to those Jews who continued to reject CHRIST and HIS Salvation.

OLD TESTAMENT



Ruth 1: 1 – 18

Ruth 1: 16

Thy GOD my GOD.

Naomi apparently had imparted to Ruth her faith in the LORD GOD by example and teaching. Ruth's faith in GOD caused her to remain faithful in her love for Naomi. Ruth illustrates the divine principle that he that loseth his life for my sake shall find it.

NEW TESTAMENT

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Philippians 1: 1 – 20

Philippians 1: 4

Joy is an integral part of our salvation in CHRIST. It is an inner peace and delight in GOD the FATHER, the LORD JESUS and the HOLY SPIRIT, and in the blessing that flows from our relationship with them. Scriptural teaching about Joy includes salvation in CHRIST and with GOD's Word.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 26th November 2024

Morning

Psalms- 70 and 71: 1 – 16

Old Testament- Ruth 1: 19 – 22

New Testament- Philippians 1: 21 – 30

Evening

Psalms- 71: 17 – 24

Old Testament- Ruth 2: 1 – 14

New Testament- Philippians 2: 1 – 11

Quiz for 26th November 2024– from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 70 and 71: 1 – 24

1) Reference of youth ...?

Ruth 1: 19 – 2: 14

2) How did Boaz greet his harvesters, and how did they respond...reference...?

Philippians 1: 21 – 2: 11

3) Let this mind be in you, which was also in _____ ?

Verses for 26th November 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 70 and 71: 1 – 24

Psalms 71: 1 – 13

David prays that he might never be made ashamed of dependence upon GOD. With this petition every true believer may come boldly to the throne of grace. The gracious care of Divine providence in our birth and infancy, should engage us to early piety. He that was our Help from our birth, ought to be our Hope from our youth. Let none expect ease or comfort from the world. Those who love the LORD, often are hated and persecuted; men wondered at for their principles and conduct; but the LORD has been their strong refuge. The faithful servants of GOD may be

assured that he will not cast them off in old age, nor forsake them when their strength fails.

OLD TESTAMENT



Ruth 1: 19 – 2: 14

Ruth 2: 12

Under whose wings thou art come to trust.

This is the key verse in the book of Ruth. Even in the midst of great apostasy during the period of the Judges, GOD watched over those who clung to HIM with sincere trust and committed faith. The story of Ruth is the story of GOD's providence and provision in the lives of all who trust in the LORD's call in faith, so Ruth's trust in the LORD caused her to leave her country and kindred in order to follow HIS redemptive purpose.

NEW TESTAMENT



Philippians 1: 21 – 2: 11

Philippians 1: 27

Stand fast in one spirit.

The true essence of the unity of the Spirit consists of living in a worthy manner, standing firm in one spirit and purpose, striving side by side like warriors for the defense of the gospel according to apostolic revelation and defending gospel truth against those who are enemies of the cross of CHRIST.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 27th November 2024

Morning

Psalms- 72

Old Testament- Ruth 2: 15 – 23

New Testament- Philippians 2: 12 – 18

Evening

Psalms- 73

Old Testament- Ruth 3: 1 – 6

New Testament- Philippians 2: 19 – 30

Quiz for 27th November 2024– from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 72 and 73

1) GOD delivers the needy when they crieth...reference ...?

Ruth 2: 15 – 3: 6

2) Kinsmen meaning...?

Philippians 2: 12 – 30

3) Walking in obedience and right ... reference...?

Verses for 27th November 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 72 and 73

Psalms 73: 1 – 14

Psalms 73: 6

The psalmist was strongly tempted to envy the prosperity of the wicked; a common temptation, which has tried the graces of many saints. But he lays down the great principle by which he resolved to abide. It is the goodness of GOD. This is a truth which cannot be shaken. Good thoughts of GOD will fortify against Satan's temptations. The faith even of strong believers may be sorely shaken, and ready to fail. There are storms that will try the firmest anchors. Foolish and wicked people

have sometimes a great share of outward prosperity. They seem to have the least share of the troubles of this life; and they seem to have the greatest share of its comforts. They live without the fear of GOD, yet they prosper, and get on in the world. Wicked men often spend their lives without much sickness, and end them without great pain; while many godly persons scarcely know what health is, and die with great sufferings. Often the wicked are not frightened, either by the remembrance of their sins, or the prospect of their misery, but they die without terror. We cannot judge men's state beyond death, by what passes at their death. He looked abroad, and saw many of GOD's people greatly at a loss. Because the wicked are so very daring, therefore his people return hither; they know not what to say to it, and the rather, because they drink deep of the bitter cup of affliction. He spoke feelingly when he spoke of his own troubles; there is no disputing against sense, except by faith. From all this arose a strong temptation to cast off religion.

But let us learn that the true course of sanctification consists in cleansing a man from all pollution both of soul and body. The heart is cleansed by the blood of CHRIST laid hold upon by faith; and by the begun works of the LORD's Spirit, manifested in the hearty resolution, purpose, and study of holiness, and a blameless course of life and actions, the hands are cleansed. It is not in vain to serve GOD and keep his ordinances.

OLD TESTAMENT



Ruth 2: 15 – 3: 6

Ruth 2: 20

Hath not left off his kindness.

Naomi began to understand that GOD had not forsaken her and that HIS love and kindness toward her were indeed unchanged and constant. Her attitude changed from her earlier perception that GOD had turned against her.

NEW TESTAMENT



Philippians 2: 12 – 30

Philippians 2: 13

GOD who works in you.

GOD's grace works in His children to produce in them both the desire and power to do HIS Will. However GOD's work is not one of compulsion or irresistible grace. The work of grace within us is always dependent on our cooperation and response of faith.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 28th November 2024

Morning

Psalms- 74

Old Testament- Ruth 3: 7 – 13

New Testament- Philippians 3: 1 – 5

Evening

Psalms- 75

Old Testament- Ruth 3: 14 – 18

New Testament- Philippians 3: 6 – 11

Quiz for 28th November 2024– from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 74 and 75

1) Promotion cometh...reference ...?

Ruth 3: 7 – 18

2) Fruit of the HOLY SPIRIT...reference...?

Philippians 3: 1 – 11

3) Our righteousness is through the indwelling of whom...?

Verses for 28th November 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 74 and 75

Psalms 75: 6

For promotion cometh neither from the east, nor from the west, nor from the south." There is a GOD, and a providence, and things happen not by chance. Though deliverance be hopeless from all points of the compass, yet GOD can work it for his people; and though judgment come neither from the rising or the setting of the sun, nor from the wilderness of mountains, yet come it will, for the LORD reigneth. Men forget that all things are ordained in heaven; they see but the human force, and the carnal passion, but the unseen LORD is more real far than these. He is at work

behind and within the cloud. The foolish dream that he is not, but he is near even now, and on the way to bring in his hand that cup of spiced wine of vengeance, one draught of which shall stagger all his foes.

OLD TESTAMENT



Ruth 3: 7 – 18

Ruth 3: 14 – 18

Ruth had done all that was fit for her to do, she must patiently wait the event.

Boaz, having undertaken this matter, would be sure to manage it well. Much more reason have true believers to cast their care on GOD, because he has promised to care for them. Our strength is to sit still, Acts 9:6. He will never blame us as doing this unseasonably. And let us earnestly desire and seek the same rest for our children and friends that it may be well with them also.

NEW TESTAMENT



Philippians 3: 1 – 11

Philippians 3: 9

Righteousness which is of GOD.

The righteousness of believers consists first of all in being forgiven, justified, and accepted by GOD as a gift received through faith. Thus the righteousness we have is not of ourselves but of JESUS in whom we put our faith. Through this indwelling, we become in Him the righteousness of GOD.

CSI Almanac – 29th November 2024, Friday

CHURCH OF NORTH INDIA – FORMATION DAY

Old Testament Reading:

Isaiah 65: 17 – 25

Psalms Reading:

Psalms 122

Epistle Reading:

1 Corinthians 12: 12 – 26

Gospel Reading:

John 17: 17 – 26

Collect:

Almighty and everlasting GOD, whose blessed SON prayed that all who believe in HIM might be one, grant that we who celebrate the union of Churches in North India, may with one heart and soul, present ourselves for YOUR service and bear witness to YOUR love, through YOUR SON JESUS CHRIST and our LORD, who lives and reigns with YOU and the HOLY SPIRIT, One GOD, world without end.

Amen.

CSI Almanac – 30th November 2024, Saturday

ANDREW, APOSTLE AND MARTYR

Old Testament Reading:

Amos 7: 10 – 15

Psalms Reading:

Psalms 67

Epistle Reading:

Philippians 1: 3 – 11

Gospel Reading:

John 12: 20 – 26

Collect:

Almighty GOD, who gave such grace to your apostle Andrew that he readily obeyed the call of YOUR SON JESUS CHRIST and brought his brother with him: call us by YOUR holy Word, and give us grace to follow YOU without delay and to tell the good news of YOUR kingdom, through JESUS CHRIST YOUR SON our LORD, who lives and reigns with YOU and the HOLY SPIRIT, One GOD, now and forever more.

Amen.

December 2024

CSI Almanac – 1st December 2024, Sunday

1st Sunday in Advent

CELEBRATING THE GOOD NEWS
(Meeting of Mary with Elizabeth)

Morning Scripture Reading:

Exodus 2: 1 – 10

Psalms 117

Acts 9: 10 – 18

Luke 1: 46 – 56

Evening Scripture Reading:

Genesis 45: 16 – 28

Acts 11: 19 – 26

Collect:

GOD of celebration, who sent JESUS CHRIST the good news to the world which is full of misery, hatred and violence. Help us to understand the power in celebrating JESUS CHRIST who offers joy, peace and happiness amidst all turmoil's in life so that life is enhanced in proclaiming the gospel to all who wait, through JESUS CHRIST our LORD who lives and reigns with YOU and the HOLY SPIRIT one GOD now and forever.

Amen.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 2nd December 2024

Morning

Psalms- 81

Old Testament- Micah 1: 1 – 8

New Testament- Revelation 14: 14 – 20

Evening

Psalms- 82

Old Testament- Micah 1: 9 – 16

New Testament- Revelation 15: 1 – 4

Quiz for 2nd December 2024– from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 81 and 82

1) I proved thee at the waters of Meribah... reference...?

Micah 1: 1 – 16

2) Prophet Micah prophesied concerning which nations ...?

Revelation 14: 14 – 15: 4

3) Final judgement of GOD on earth contains how many plagues ...?

Verses for 2nd December 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 81 and 82

Psalms 81: 7

Israel is called to remember GOD's incredible miracles on their behalf. As part of a feast day, the people are reminded of GOD's intervention during the exodus from Egypt. Some of this speaks from GOD's perspective. The psalm also notes that Israel responded to the LORD's rescue with disobedience. GOD wants His chosen people to follow HIS will; they will suffer the consequences of their own choices if they don't. To obey the LORD would bring Israel security and prosperity.

OLD TESTAMENT



Micah 1: 1 – 16

Micah 1: 1

Micah, from Southern Judah, prophesied sometime between 750--687 B.C. He was a Contemporary of Isaiah and Hosea. His message was directed mainly to Judah, though he also had revelation concerning Israel. While Micah's predominant theme was judgement, he also stressed the restoration of GOD's people.

NEW TESTAMENT



Revelation 14: 14 – 15: 4

Revelation 15: 1

Seven last plagues.

These plagues contain the final judgements of GOD upon the earth during the tribulation. They are called judgements of seven golden vials. The seven bowls of judgement may be the unfolding of the seventh trumpet judgement.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 3rd December 2024

Morning

Psalms- 83 and 84

Old Testament- Micah 2: 1 – 7

New Testament- Revelation 15: 5 – 8

Evening

Psalms- 85

Old Testament- Micah 2: 8 – 13

New Testament- Revelation 16: 1 – 7

Quiz for 3rd December 2024– from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 83; 84 and 85

1) GOD's goodness to Israel... Psalm number...?

Micah 2: 1 – 13

2) Hope for the remnant of Israel ... reference ...?

Revelation 15: 5 – 16: 7

3) Who will carry the seven vials of wrath... reference ...?

Verses for 3rd December 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 83; 84 and 85

Psalms 85: 6

Wilt thou not revive us again...?

It is right for GOD's people to pray that He will revive them, both individually and corporately. Salvation and spiritual life are dependent upon GOD imparting to us His mercy, forgiveness, power, life giving Spirit and fervent desire to do His Will. When we are at a low point spiritually, not experiencing spiritual blessings as GOD intended, then we should honestly confess our inner poverty and pray that GOD will revive us again.

OLD TESTAMENT



Micah 2: 1 – 13

Micah 2: 1 – 5

Woe to them that devise iniquity.

Micah pronounces doom on certain people who were powerful enough to exploit others in order to achieve their own selfish aims. We must be careful that we do not become greedy and mistreat others to gain money or possessions.

NEW TESTAMENT



Revelation 15: 5 – 16: 7

Revelation 16: 1

The wrath of GOD.

Pouring out the seven bowls of the wrath of GOD now begins, at a point just before CHRIST returns to earth. A great war against GOD involving the whole earth will occur toward the end of these judgements.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 4th December 2024

Morning

Psalms- 86

Old Testament- Micah 3: 1 – 12

New Testament- Revelation 16: 8 – 11

Evening

Psalms- 87 and 88

Old Testament- Micah 4: 1 – 8

New Testament- Revelation 16: 12 – 16

Quiz for 4th December 2024– from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 86; 87 and 88

1) Familiar Hymn on Zion... Psalm number...?

Micah 3: 1 – 4: 8

2) HOLY SPIRIT ... reference ...?

Revelation 16: 8 – 16

3) Second coming ... reference ...?

Verses for 4th December 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 86; 87 and 88

Psalms 87: 4 – 7

The church of CHRIST is more glorious and excellent than the nations of the earth.

In the records of heaven, the meanest of those who are born again stand registered. When GOD renders to every man according to his works, he shall observe who enjoyed the privileges of His sanctuary. To them much was given, and of them much will be required. Let those that dwell in Zion, mark this, and live up to their profession. Zion's songs shall be sung with joy and triumph. The springs of the joy of a carnal worldling are in wealth and pleasure; but of a gracious soul, in the word of

GOD and prayer. All grace and consolation are derived from CHRIST, through His ordinances, to the souls of believers.

OLD TESTAMENT



Micah 3: 1 – 4: 8

Micah 3: 2

Hate the good, and love the evil.

The leaders of the nation had abandoned the godly standards of the past and substituted their own legal codes. They purposely loved evil and injustice in their pursuit of material gain. GOD calls us to do the opposite to love righteousness and hate evil.

NEW TESTAMENT



Revelation 16: 8 – 16

Revelation 16: 11

Repented not.

Even in the middle of GOD's terrible judgements, men and women will choose to live in sin and to persist in their rebellion against righteousness. Repentance is the only act that will stop the judgements of GOD.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 5th December 2024

Morning

Psalms- 89: 1 – 18

Old Testament- Micah 4: 9 – 13

New Testament- Revelation 16: 17 – 21

Evening

Psalms- 89: 19 – 52

Old Testament- Micah 5: 1 – 4

New Testament- Revelation 17: 1 – 5

Quiz for 5th December 2024– from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 89

1) Title of this psalm...?

Micah 4: 9 – 5: 4

2) Old Testament Prophecy and New Testament fulfilment ... reference ...?

Revelation 16: 17 – 17: 5

3) Great earthquake ... reference ...?

Verses for 5th December 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 89

Psalms 89: 19 – 37

I have exalted one chosen out of the people.

The psalmist reminds GOD of His election of David's line to rule over Israel and of His promise that David's dynasty would endure forever in spite of the unfaithfulness of Israel.

OLD TESTAMENT



Micah 4: 9 – 5: 4

Micah 5: 2

But thou, Beth-lehem.

Micah prophesies that a ruler would come out of Beth-lehem who would fulfil GOD's promises to His people. This verse refers to JESUS the MESSIAH, whose origin is from Everlasting from eternity, yet HE would be born as a human.

NEW TESTAMENT

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Revelation 16: 17 – 17: 5

Revelation 17: 1

Saying unto me...

Babylon is the symbol of the whole world system under the antichrist, as dominated by satan and manifesting wickedness politically, religiously and commercially. Babylon will be completely destroyed during the last three and half years of this age, Religious Babylon will be destroyed by the antichrist, while political Babylon will be destroyed by CHRIST at HIS coming.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 6th December 2024

Morning

Psalms- 90

Old Testament- Micah 5: 5 – 15

New Testament- Revelation 17: 6 – 10

Evening

Psalms- 91

Old Testament- Micah 6: 1 – 8

New Testament- Revelation 17: 11 – 14

Quiz for 6th December 2024– from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 90 & 91

1) Author of Psalm 90...?

Micah 5: 5 – 6: 8

2) Old Testament Prophecy and New Testament fulfilment ... reference ...?

Revelation 17: 6 – 17: 14

3) Who are called and chosen and faithful ... reference ...?

Verses for 6th December 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 90 & 91

Psalms 91: 14

Because HE hath set HIS love upon me.

Here the LORD HIMSELF addresses HIS faithful followers. Because they truly love HIM, HE Himself promises to come to their aid in times of trouble. The secret for receiving GOD's protective care is a heart that is intimately attached to the LORD in gratitude and affection. HE knows who such believers are, and HE will be with them in trouble, hear their prayers, and give them lives full of HIS divine presence and provision.

OLD TESTAMENT



Micah 5: 5 – 6: 8

Micah 5: 5

This man shall be the peace.

Only JESUS the MESSIAH will bring Everlasting peace to Israel. Even with HIS first coming HE gives peace with GOD, forgiveness of sin and the assurance of eternal life to those who repent and receive HIM by faith. Because they believe in HIS atoning death, true believers will not face condemnation.

NEW TESTAMENT



Revelation 17: 6 – 17: 14

Revelation 17: 14

Make war with the Lamb.

At the final battle CHRIST will overthrow the antichrist and those who align themselves with him.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 7th December 2024

Morning

Psalms- 92 and 93

Old Testament- Micah 6: 9 – 16

New Testament- Revelation 17: 15 – 18

Evening

Psalms- 94

Old Testament- Micah 7: 1 – 6

New Testament- Revelation 18: 1 – 3

Verses for 7th December 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 92; 93 and 94

Psalms 94

O LORD GOD, to whom vengeance belongeth.

Believers should be so grieved because of all the injustice, brutality and wickedness in the world that they pray continually for GOD to stop the triumph of evil and avenge the wrong. JESUS states that HIS elect should cry day and night that GOD will avenge them speedily. Commitment to justice and sympathy for those who are wrongfully treated should cause us to pray for the return of CHRIST that HE might rule the earth in righteousness.

OLD TESTAMENT



Micah 6: 9 – 7: 6

Micah 7: 1 – 7

Woe is me!

Micah laments the corruption of the society in which he lived. Violence, dishonesty and immorality ran rampant in Israel. Few people were really godly and family love had nearly disappeared. If we are truly committed to the LORD and HIS ways we will also mourn over the evil that is so prevalent around us. We will intensify our intercession and pray for the intervention of GOD our SAVIOUR.

NEW TESTAMENT

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Revelation 17: 15 – 18: 3

Revelation 17: 15 – 18

GOD so ruled the hearts of these kings, by HIS power over them, and by HIS providence, that they did those things, without intending it, which HE purposed and foretold. They shall see their folly, and how they have been bewitched and enslaved by the harlot, and be made instruments in her destruction. She was that great city which reigned over the kings of the earth, when John had this vision; and everyone knows Rome to be that city. Believers will be received to the glory of the LORD, when wicked men will be destroyed in a most awful manner; their joining together in sin, will be turned to hatred and rage, and they will eagerly assist in tormenting each other. But the LORD's portion is His people; HIS counsel shall stand, and HE will do all HIS pleasure, to HIS glory, and the happiness of all His servants.

2nd Sunday in Advent

**WORD OF GOD: INSPIRED TO INSPIRE
(Birth of John the Baptist)
(Bible Sunday)**

Morning Scripture Reading:

Revelation 10: 1 – 11

Psalms 119: 33 – 40

1 Kings 19: 1 – 21

Luke 1: 39 – 45

Evening Scripture Reading:

Psalm 33: 1 – 12

Jude 6: 11 – 24

Collect:

Almighty GOD, the source of life and our being, we offer our praises and thanks for the 'Word incarnate', JESUS CHRIST. YOU spoke to your people in the past with our ancestors, the prophets and finally in the end times. YOU spoke to us through our SON. YOUR Word, has the power to create and bring about order in cosmos. Creator GOD, we beseech YOU to break, and re – mould our hearts so that being inspired by YOUR Word we may inspire others, through JESUS CHRIST our LORD who lives and reigns with YOU and the HOLY SPIRIT, one GOD, now and forever more.

Amen.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 9th December 2024

Morning

Psalms- 97

Old Testament- Micah 7: 7 – 14

New Testament- Revelation 18: 4 – 8

Evening

Psalms- 98 and 99

Old Testament- Micah 7: 15 – 20

New Testament- Revelation 18: 9 – 13

Quiz for 9th December 2024– from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 97; 98 and 99

1) 2nd Coming reference...?

Micah 7: 7 – 20

2) Salvation ... reference ...?

Revelation 18: 4 – 13

3) GOD's prophetic call ... reference ...?

Verses for 9th December 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 97; 98 and 99

Psalms 98: 1 – 3

A song of praise for redeeming love is a new song, a mystery hidden from ages and generations. Converts sing a new song, very different from what they had sung. If the grace of GOD put a new heart into our breasts, it will put a new song into our mouths. Let this new song be sung to the praise of GOD, in consideration of the wonders he has wrought. The Redeemer has overcome all difficulties in the way of our redemption, and was not discouraged by the services or sufferings appointed him. Let us praise HIM for the discoveries made to the world of the work of

redemption; HIS salvation and HIS righteousness fulfilling the prophecies and promises of the Old Testament. In pursuance of this design, GOD raised up HIS SON JESUS to be not only a Light to lighten the Gentiles, but the glory of his people Israel. Surely it behoves us to inquire whether HIS holy arm hath gotten the victory in our hearts, over the power of Satan, unbelief, and sin. If this be our happy case, we shall exchange all light songs of vanity for songs of joy and thanksgiving; our lives will celebrate the Redeemer's praise.

OLD TESTAMENT



Micah 7: 7 – 20

Micah 7: 8 – 13

I shall arise.

The righteous remnant of Judah was facing dark days ahead because of GOD's judgement for the nation's sin, however Micah trumpeted words of faith on their behalf and looked beyond the temporary triumph of their enemies to the glorious day of their restoration by GOD I shall arise is an affirmation of faith.

NEW TESTAMENT

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Revelation 18: 4 – 13

Revelation 18: 4

Come out of her, my people.

This is GOD's prophetic call to the last generation of believers to come out of Babylon the great, because those among GOD's people who remain in the ungodly system will inevitably partakers of her sins and therefore in judgement receive her plagues. The call to be separate from the world and false religious institutions has been an essential aspect of salvation throughout redemptive history.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 10th December 2024

Morning

Psalms- 100 and 101

Old Testament- Habakkuk 1: 1 – 6

New Testament- Revelation 18: 14 – 20

Evening

Psalms- 102

Old Testament- Habakkuk 1: 7 – 11

New Testament- Revelation 18: 21 – 24

Quiz for 10th December 2024– from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 100; 101 and 102

1) Old Testament Prophecy and New Testament fulfilment...?

Habakkuk 1: 1 – 11

2) Why wrong judgement prevailed...in Judah? Reference ...?

Revelation 18: 14 – 24

3) Heaven rejoices at GOD's righteous judgement ... reference ...?

Verses for 10th December 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 100; 101 and 102

Psalms 102: 25 and 26

Of old hast thou laid the foundation of the earth?

These verses, quoted in Hebrews 1:10--12, imply that the experiences of trouble described by the psalmist apply to JESUS CHRIST as well speak about the LORD's kingdom on earth, HIS work in creation and HIS eternity. The present heavens and earth will be exchanged for a brand new heaven and the earth. But GOD will not change , HE remains the same.

OLD TESTAMENT



Habakkuk 1: 1 – 11

Habakkuk 1: 2 – 4

How long shall I cry?

Habakkuk had been praying to GOD to stop the wrong he saw among the covenant people, yet GOD seemed to be doing nothing but tolerating violence, injustice and the destruction of the righteous. His questions dealt with the age Old theme. Why does GOD wait so long to punish evil and why are our prayers generally not answered quickly? Note however, that these complaints came out of a heart of faith in a righteous GOD.

NEW TESTAMENT

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Revelation 18: 14 – 24

Revelation 18: 20

Rejoice over her.

All the glory in heaven and earth rejoice at GOD's righteous judgement on socioeconomic Babylon with its self-cantered affluence, humanistic government and godless commence. The exuberant celebration of the saints in heaven, described is proportionate to their present grief at the triumph of evil in this world. The true children of GOD will be distressed by the immoral conduct and injustices of evil around them. They will be tormented day after day by the lawless deeds they see and about which they hear.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 11th December 2024

Morning

Psalms- 103

Old Testament- Habakkuk 1: 12 – 17

New Testament- Revelation 19: 1 – 4

Evening

Psalms- 104: 1 – 23

Old Testament- Habakkuk 2: 1 – 5

New Testament- Revelation 19: 5 – 10

Quiz for 11th December 2024– from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 103 and 104: 1 – 23

1) Environment Psalm... reference...?

Habakkuk 1: 12 – 2: 5

2) The final solution ... Reference ...?

Revelation 19: 1 – 10

3) Who is the Spirit of Prophecy ... reference ...?

Verses for 11th December 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 103 and 104: 1 – 23

Psalms 104: 10 – 18

When we reflect upon the provision made for all creatures, we should also notice the natural worship they render to GOD. Yet man, forgetful ungrateful man, enjoys the largest measure of HIS Creator's kindness. The earth, varying in different lands. Nor let us forget spiritual blessings; the fruitfulness of the church through grace, the bread of everlasting life, the cup of salvation, and the oil of gladness. Does GOD provide for the inferior creatures, and will he not be a refuge to his people?

OLD TESTAMENT



Habakkuk 1: 12 – 2: 5

Habakkuk 2: 3

The vision is yet for an appointed time.

The final solution to Habakkuk's problem would come only in the future, at GOD's appointed time. There would be a termination point to wickedness in the world. The faithful people of GOD had to wait for it even though it seemed to take such a long time. Like Habakkuk, we must wait for the LORD's righteous intervention at the end of this age. Ultimately, CHRIST will take away the righteous from the earth and bring destruction on all evil.

NEW TESTAMENT



Revelation 19: 1 – 10

Revelation 19: 1

After these things.

Chapter 19 deals with the end of the tribulation and CHRIST's glorious second coming to earth to destroy the beast, the false prophet and the ungodly, and to reign with His saints.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 12th December 2024

Morning

Psalms- 104: 24 – 35

Old Testament- Habakkuk 2: 6 – 11

New Testament- Revelation 19: 11 – 16

Evening

Psalms- 105: 1 – 22

Old Testament- Habakkuk 2: 12 – 20

New Testament- Revelation 19: 17 – 21

Quiz for 12th December 2024– from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 104: 24 – 35 and 105: 1 – 22

1) Touch not mine anointed ... reference....?

Habakkuk 2: 6 – 20

2) The earth will be filledref ...?

Revelation 19: 11 – 21

3) Second Coming ... reference ...?

Verses for 12th December 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 104: 24 – 35 and 105: 1 – 22

Psalms 105: 8 – 23

Let us remember the Redeemer's marvellous works, HIS wonders, and the judgments of HIS mouth. Though true Christians are few number, strangers and pilgrims upon earth, yet a far better inheritance than Canaan is made sure to them by the covenant of GOD; and if we have the anointing of the HOLY SPIRIT, none can do us any harm. Afflictions are among our mercies. They prove our faith and love, they humble our pride, they wean us from the world, and quicken our prayers. Bread is the staff which supports life; when that staff is broken, the body fails and

sinks to the earth. The word of GOD is the staff of spiritual life, the food and support of the soul: the sorest judgment is a famine of hearing the word of the LORD. Such a famine was sore in all lands when CHRIST appeared in the flesh; whose coming, and the blessed effect of it, are shadowed forth in the history of Joseph. At the appointed time CHRIST was exalted as Mediator; all the treasures of grace and salvation are at HIS disposal, perishing sinners come to HIM, and are relieved by HIM.

OLD TESTAMENT



Habakkuk 2: 6 – 20

Habakkuk 2: 6 – 20

Woe to him.

These verses pronounce woes of judgement on any whose soul which is lifted up is not upright in him such people will be judged because of their aggression, injustice, violence and crime, immorality and idolatry.

NEW TESTAMENT

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Revelation 19: 11 – 21

Revelation 19: 11

I saw heaven opened.

This verse sets forth the beginning of the second coming of CHRIST to earth as king of kings and Lord of Lord's. HE comes from heaven as the Warrior - MESSIAH to establish truth and justice, to judge the nations and to wage war against evil. This is the event for which the faithful of all generations have waited.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 13th December 2024

Morning

Psalms- 105: 23 – 45

Old Testament- Habakkuk 3: 1 – 6

New Testament- Revelation 19: 11 – 16

Evening

Psalms- 106: 1 – 18 and 42 – 48

Old Testament- Habakkuk 3: 7 – 15

New Testament- Revelation 20: 7 – 10

Quiz for 13th December 2024– from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 105: 23 – 45 and 106: 1 – 18 & 42 – 48

1) GOD's mercy to Israel ... Psalm number....?

Habakkuk 3: 1 – 15

2) Praiseref ...?

Revelation 20: 1 – 10

3) Victory over Satan and demons ... reference ...?

Verses for 13th December 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 105: 23 – 45 and 106: 1 – 18 & 42 – 48

Psalms 105: 23 – 45

As the believer commonly thrives best in his soul when under the cross; so the church also flourishes most in true holiness, and increases in number, while under persecution. Yet instruments shall be raised up for their deliverance, and plagues may be expected by persecutors. And see the special care GOD took of his people in the wilderness. All the benefits bestowed on Israel as a nation, were shadows of spiritual blessings with which we are blessed in CHRIST JESUS. Having redeemed us with HIS blood, restored our souls to holiness, and set us at liberty from Satan's

bondage, HE guides and guards us all the way. HE satisfies our souls with the bread of heaven, and the water of life from the Rock of salvation, and will bring us safely to heaven. HE redeems his servants from all iniquity, and purifies them unto Himself, to be a peculiar people, zealous of good works.

OLD TESTAMENT



Habakkuk 3: 1 – 15

Habakkuk 3: 16

GOD came.

In these verses Habakkuk refers to the time GOD delivered HIS people from Egypt. The same GOD who came with Salvation in the past would come again in all HIS glory. All who were waiting for that coming would live and see HIS triumph over empires and nations.

NEW TESTAMENT

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Revelation 20: 1 – 10

Revelation 20: 3

Deceive the nations no more.

The nations that will exist during the reign of CHRIST on earth are formed from those believers who are alive at the end of the tribulation. Although at times the term nations is used specifically of the ungodly John also uses it to represent the saved.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 14th December 2024

Morning

Psalms- 106: 19 – 43

Old Testament- Habakkuk 3: 16 – 19

New Testament- Revelation 20: 11 – 15

Evening

Psalms- 107: 1 – 22

Old Testament- Zephaniah 1: 1 – 3

New Testament- Revelation 21: 1 – 5

Verses for 14th December 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 106: 19 – 107: 22

Psalms 107: 13

HE saved them out of their distresses.

Note that even when we have only ourselves to blame for our troubles , GOD desires to deliver us , thus even if we are experiencing great distress, knowing that GOD may be judging us, we can still put our hope in HIS mercy and cry out to HIM in faith for HIS forgiveness and help.

OLD TESTAMENT



Habakkuk 3: 16 – 19 and Zephaniah 1: 1 – 3

Zephaniah 1: 2 & 3

Utterly consume all things.

Zephaniah begins by announcing GOD's coming judgement on the entire world. Because the majority of humankind will refuse to turn from their sins to the LORD.

GOD has appointed a day when HE will destroy all the wicked as well as the world itself. It will be a time of distress, anguish ,trouble and ruin .

NEW TESTAMENT

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Revelation 20: 11 – 21: 5

Revelation 21: 4

Wipe away all tears.

The effects of sin such as sorrow, pain, unhappiness and death are gone forever, for the evil things of the first heaven and earth have completely passed away. Believers will evidently not remember that which would cause them sorrow.

3rd Sunday in Advent

Deliverance from the Bondage of sin

Morning Scripture Reading:

Exodus 14: 1 – 14

Psalms 37: 1 – 12

Romans 8: 1 – 11

John 8: 31 – 38

Evening Scripture Reading:

Matthew 8: 1 – 17

Acts 3: 17 – 26

Collect:

GOD of Truth and Justice, You are the liberator of the cosmos. It is by your death and resurrection we are granted the gift of redemption from the bondage of sin. Enable us we pray, to be the followers and practitioners of truth, to be free from all kinds of bondages. JESUS our liberator, incline our hearts to do your will and preach the Gospel of deliverance, in JESUS CHRIST our LORD who lives and reigns with YOU and the HOLY SPIRIT one GOD, now and forever more.

Amen.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 16th December 2024

Morning

Psalms- 109: 1 – 5 and 21 – 31

Old Testament- Zephaniah 1: 4 – 7

New Testament- Revelation 21: 6 – 8

Evening

Psalms- 110

Old Testament- Zephaniah 1: 8 – 13

New Testament- Revelation 21: 9 – 15

Quiz for 16th December 2024– from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 109: 1 – 5 and 21 – 31 and 110

1) Old Testament Prophecy and New Testament fulfilment....?

Zephaniah 1: 4 – 13

2) Who did the LORD consecrateref ...?

Revelation 21: 6 – 15

3) Where will the thirsty be given water from ... reference ...?

Verses for 16th December 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 109: 1 – 5 and 21 – 31 and 110

Psalms 109: 21 – 31

The psalmist takes GOD's comforts to himself, but in a very humble manner. He was troubled in mind. His body was wasted, and almost worn away. But it is better to have leanness in the body, while the soul prospers and is in health, than to have leanness in the soul, while the body is feasted. He was ridiculed and reproached by his enemies. But if GOD bless us, we need not care who curses us; for how can they curse whom GOD has not cursed; nay, whom he has blessed? He pleads GOD's glory, and the honour of his name. Save me, not according to my merit, for I pretend to

none, but according to thy-mercy. He concludes with the joy of faith, in assurance that his present conflicts would end in triumphs. Let all that suffer according to the will of GOD, commit the keeping of their souls to him.

JESUS, unjustly put to death, and now risen again, is an Advocate and Intercessor for his people, ever ready to appear on their behalf against a corrupt world, and the great accuser.

OLD TESTAMENT



Zephaniah 1: 4 – 13

Zephaniah 1: 12

The Lord will not do good, neither will he do evil.

Some in Judah had a deistic view of GOD. They believed that GOD would not punish sin among His people. We too need to know that GOD is not distant from or uninvolved in the affairs of humans. HE will reward those who seek HIM and judge those who turn from HIM and follow evil.

NEW TESTAMENT



Revelation 21: 6 – 15

Revelation 21: 7

He that overcometh.

GOD HIMSELF declares who will inherit the blessings of the new heaven and the new earth those who faithfully persevere as CHRIST's overcomers. Those who do not overcome satan, sin and ungodliness will be thrown into the fiery lake.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 17th December 2024

Morning

Psalms- 111 and 112

Old Testament- Zephaniah 1: 14 – 18

New Testament- Revelation 21: 16 – 21

Evening

Psalms- 113 and 114

Old Testament- Zephaniah 2: 1 – 7

New Testament- Revelation 21: 22 – 27

Quiz for 17th December 2024– from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 111 to 114

- 1) A Hymn of praise to GOD ... Psalm number....?

Zephaniah 1: 14 – 2: 7

- 2) The prophet prophesies to the people to seek what to be saved ...?

Revelation 21: 16 – 27

- 3) Why was there no need of sun nor moon to shine in the city ...?

Verses for 17th December 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 111 to 114

Psalms 111: 1 – 10

I will praise the LORD.

This psalm praises the LORD for His physical and spiritual blessings and for HIS providential care over those who love and fear HIM. The psalmist has determined to praise GOD not only privately, but also in the congregation. It is Biblical to praise GOD spontaneously and aloud in Church.

OLD TESTAMENT



Zephaniah 1: 14 – 2: 7

Zephaniah 2: 3

Seek righteousness, seek meekness.

The prophet offers hope to those who had already turned to the LORD. He exhorted them to deepen their commitment to GOD and HIS ways, perhaps GOD would protect them when HE came to punish His people. They had to seek three things if they hoped to experience revival and renewed blessing from the LORD, three things equally essential today. Seek GOD, seek righteousness, and seek humility.

NEW TESTAMENT



Revelation 21: 16 – 27

Revelation 21: 25

No night there.

The light of the glory of GOD HIMSELF will fill the city so that there will be neither night nor need for light of the sun.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 18th December 2024

Morning

Psalms- 116 and 117

Old Testament- Zephaniah 2: 8 – 11

New Testament- Revelation 22: 1 – 5

Evening

Psalms- 115

Old Testament- Zephaniah 2: 12 – 15

New Testament- Revelation 22: 6 – 9

Quiz for 18th December 2024– from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 115; 116 and 117

1) The LORD hath been mindful of us ... reference...?

Zephaniah 2: 8 – 15

2) Consequences of reproach against the people of the LORD of hostsref ...?

Revelation 22: 1 – 9

3) Ultimate goal of redemptive history ... reference ...?

Verses for 18th December 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 115; 116 and 117

Psalms 116: 12

What shall I render unto the LORD....?

Gratitude flows from the hearts of all those who have experienced salvation from the LORD, they will express it by their love, loyalty righteous living, thanksgiving and a firm resolve to obey the LORD.

OLD TESTAMENT



Zephaniah 2: 8 – 15

Zephaniah 2: 10

They have reproached and magnified themselves against the people of the LORD of the hosts.

The unbelieving world insults and mocks GOD's people, those who are committed to the righteous and holy standards of HIS Word. The persecution of the righteous will not last forever. GOD has appointed a day when HE will vindicate those who have remained loyal to HIS ways and bring just punishment on those who have mocked the faithful.

NEW TESTAMENT

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Revelation 22: 4

Revelation 22: 1 – 9

They shall see HIS face.

This is the ultimate goal of redemptive history. GOD living among His faithful people on an earth purged from all evil.

On this new earth the saints will see and live with JESUS, the Lamb of GOD, through love redeemed them by HIS death on the cross, their greatest happiness will be.

Blessed are the pure in heart for they shall see GOD.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 19th December 2024

Morning

Psalms- 118

Old Testament- Zephaniah 3: 1 – 8

New Testament- Revelation 22: 10 – 15

Evening

Psalms- 119: 1 – 24

Old Testament- Zephaniah 3: 9 – 13

New Testament- Revelation 22: 16 – 21

Quiz for 19th December 2024– from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 118 and 119: 1 – 24

- 1) Old Testament Prophecy and New Testament fulfilment ... reference...?

Zephaniah 3: 1 – 13

- 2) The remnant of Israel, none shall make them afraid.... ref ...?

Revelation 22: 10 – 21

- 3) Second coming ... reference ...?

Verses for 19th December 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 118 and 119: 1 – 24

Psalms 119: 9

Wherewithal shall a young man cleanse his way?

How many believers keep their lives pure, resisting the immoral influences that characterize the ungodly environment in which we live? The second stanza of this psalm lists the following.

- Irreversible decision to remain loyal to GOD's written Word for the rest of our lives.

- Seeking the LORD in prayer, by committing GOD's Word to memory.
- Looking to GOD for guidance, by taking open stand for God's truth.
- Rejoicing always.
- Oppose world ways.
- Read GOD's Word.

OLD TESTAMENT



Zephaniah 3: 1 – 13

Zephaniah 3: 5

He will not do iniquity.

Though humans fail and fall to sin, GOD HIMSELF will remain righteous and never do wrong, that truth is inherent in HIS very nature. We must remain convinced that HIS love and HIS faithfulness to us will never cease. Every day HE will work in our lives that which is right. He cannot fail.

NEW TESTAMENT



Revelation 22: 10 – 21

Revelation 22: 11

Let him be unjust still.

This may mean that those who reject John's prophecy will continue in their sins. Believers, however, will be righteous still and be holy as the manifestation of their perseverance in faith until CHRIST returns.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 20th December 2024

Morning

Psalms- 119: 25 – 48

Old Testament- Zephaniah 3: 14 – 20

New Testament- Luke 1: 1 – 4

Evening

Psalms- 119: 49 – 72

Old Testament- Zechariah 1: 1 – 6

New Testament- Luke 1: 5 – 17

Quiz for 20th December 2024– from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 119: 25 – 72

1) Living the LORD's way ... reference...?

Zephaniah 3: 14 – 20 and Zechariah 1: 1 – 6

2) Praiseref ...?

Luke 1: 1 – 17

3) HOLY SPIRIT ... reference ...?

Verses for 18th December 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 119: 25 – 72

Psalms 119: 25 – 32

While the souls of the children of this world cleave to the earth as their portion, the children of light are greatly burdened, because of the remains of carnal affections in their hearts. It is unspeakable comfort to a gracious soul, to think with what tenderness all its complaints are received by a gracious GOD. We can talk of the wonders of redeeming love, when we understand the way of GOD's precepts, and walk in that way. The penitent melts in sorrow for sin: even the patient spirit may melt in the sense of affliction, it is then its interest to pour out its soul before GOD.

The way of lying means all false ways by which men deceive themselves and others, or are deceived by satan and his instruments. Those who know and love the law of the LORD, desire to know it more, and love it better. The way of serious godliness is the way of truth; the only true way to happiness: we must always have actual regard to it. Those who stick to the word of GOD, may in faith expect and pray for acceptance with GOD. LORD, never leave me to do that by which I shall shame myself, and do not thou reject my services. Those that are going to heaven, should still press forward. GOD, by HIS Spirit, enlarges the hearts of his people when HE gives them wisdom. The believer prays to be set free from sin.

OLD TESTAMENT



Zephaniah 3: 14 – 20 and Zechariah 1: 1 – 6

Zechariah 1: 3

Turn ye unto ME ...and I will turn unto you.

GOD's message through Zechariah begins with a call for the people to turn to GOD, to repent. GOD was waiting for them to obey, and HE in turn promised to Bless and protect them.

NEW TESTAMENT



Luke 1: 1 – 17

Luke 1: 15

Filled with the HOLY GHOST.

Notice the outcome of John's Spirit- filled life and ministry. Through the power of the HOLY SPIRIT his preaching convicts people of their sins, brings them to repentance and turns them back to GOD, he preaches in the Spirit and power of Elijah, he reconciles families and turns many to a life of righteousness.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 21st December 2024

Morning

Psalms- 119: 73 – 96

Old Testament- Zechariah 1: 7 – 17

New Testament- Luke 1: 18 – 25

Evening

Psalms- 119: 49 – 72

Old Testament- Zechariah 1: 18 – 21

New Testament- Luke 1: 26 – 38

CSI Almanac – 21st December 2024, Saturday

MAR THOMA CHURCH DAY

Old Testament Reading:

Isaiah 22: 20 – 24

Psalms Reading:

Psalms 100

Epistle Reading:

Philippians 3: 12 – 21

Gospel Reading:

John 14: 1 – 7

Collect:

Almighty GOD, in JESUS YOU called disciples and made them a community of faith. We specially thank YOU for the Mar Thoma Church in India with whom we are united in faith and witnesses. Following the example of Thomas your Apostle to India, may they continue to be Your instruments of grace, mercy, peace and justice, through JESUS CHRIST our LORD, who lives and reigns with You in unity with the HOLY SPIRIT one GOD, now and ever.

Amen.

through JESUS CHRIST YOUR SON our LORD, who lives and reigns with YOU and the HOLY SPIRIT, One GOD, now and forever more.

Amen.

4th Sunday in Advent

MARAN – ATHA – O LORD COME

Morning Scripture Reading:

Deuteronomy 18: 15 – 22

Psalms 28

1 Corinthians 16: 13 – 24

John 1: 1 – 14

Evening Scripture Reading:

Psalms 121

Hebrews 3: 7 – 18

Collect:

GOD of compassion, who promised us Your coming in glory to judge the living and the dead, help us to recognize Your voice among us, animate within us the grace that You have given us from Your fullness, fill us with Your truth, and instil Your hope in us so that we may stand firm in our faith, do everything in love and await Your coming vigilantly. This we ask in the name of our LORD JESUS, in whom the word became human and dwelt among us and promised to come again in glory to reign with You and the HOLY SPIRIT, one GOD, forever and ever.

Amen.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 23rd December 2024

Morning

Psalms- 120; 121 and 122

Old Testament- Zechariah 2: 1 – 5

New Testament- Luke 1: 39 – 46

Evening

Psalms- 123; 124 and 125

Old Testament- Zechariah 2: 6 – 13

New Testament- Luke 1: 47 – 56

Quiz for 23rd December 2024– from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 120 to 125

1) The peace of Jerusalem ... Psalm number...?

Zechariah 2: 1 – 13

2) Apple of his eyereference ...?

Luke 1: 39 – 56

3) HOLY SPIRIT ... reference ...?

Verses for 23rd December 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 120 to 125

Psalms 123: 1

Unto THEE I lift up mine eyes.

This psalm describes humble believers who look continually and expectantly to GOD to put an end to the contempt and scorn shown towards them. It expresses the cry of those who are always watching for and desiring CHRIST's return to save His people from an ungodly and hostile world.

OLD TESTAMENT



Zechariah 2: 1 – 13

Zechariah 2: 1

A man with a measuring line.

Jerusalem was still in pitiful condition at the end of the Babylonian exile. The number of the returnees was comparatively small. GOD encouraged them by telling them that HE was not through with Jerusalem, it would become the most glorious place on earth. This third vision looks ahead to the millennial kingdom, when the city will have no walls and will overflow with a great crowd of people.

NEW TESTAMENT



Luke 1: 39 – 56

Luke 1: 47

GOD my SAVIOUR.

In these words Mary recognizes her own need of salvation. She was a sinner who needed CHRIST as SAVIOUR. The idea that Mary herself was immaculately conceived and lived without sin is nowhere taught in the Scripture.

CSI Almanac – 24th December 2024, Tuesday

PEACE ON EARTH

(Christmas Eve)

Old Testament Reading:

Isaiah 52: 7 – 10

Psalms Reading:

Psalms 96

Epistle Reading:

Titus 2: 11 – 14

Gospel Reading:

Luke 1: 67 – 79

Collect:

O most loving and compassionate GOD, we thank you for your bountiful grace in creating the world in your wisdom and love. In JESUS CHRIST, the prince of peace you have redeemed the sinful world on the cross and granted us Eternal Life. We pray for the guidance of the HOLY SPIRIT to become true agents of Your peace, through JESUS CHRIST Your SON our LORD, who lives and reigns with YOU and the HOLY SPIRIT one GOD now and forever.

Amen.

CHRISTMAS – A NEW DAWN

(Christmas)

Old Testament Reading:

Isaiah 9: 1 – 7

Psalms Reading:

Psalms 98

Epistle Reading:

Galatians 4: 1 – 7

Gospel Reading:

Luke 2: 1 – 14

Collect:

GOD the IMMANUEL, who at the fullness of time, sent YOUR only SON to this world to be among us full of grace and truth, sanctify us with YOUR radiance to receive YOUR revelations; enliven us to be channels of YOUR love; so that we may sing the new Song of joy and gladness; rejoice in being YOUR children and share good news to all people around us to the ends of the earth. In the name of JESUS CHRIST the IMMANUEL, who lives and reigns with YOU and the HOLY SPIRIT one GOD now and forever.

Amen.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 26th December 2024

Morning

Psalms- 136

Old Testament- Zechariah 6: 9 – 15

New Testament- Luke 2: 15 – 20

Evening

Psalms- 137: 1 – 6 and 138

Old Testament- Zechariah 7: 1 – 7

New Testament- Luke 2: 21 – 24

Quiz for 26th December 2024– from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 136; 137: 1 – 6 and 138

- 1) We should praise GOD with our whole _____? Psalm number and reference...?

Zechariah 6: 9 – 7: 7

- 2) For how many years have the people been mourning and fasting in the fifth and seventh monthsreference ...?

Luke 2: 15 – 24

- 3) Who spread the word concerning what had been told to them about the child ... reference ...?

Verses for 26th December 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 136; 137: 1 – 6 and 138

Psalms 138: 1 – 3

David would hold nothing back in his praise to GOD. It would be done with all his being, with his whole heart. David also had very practical reasons to praise and thank GOD. The LORD had answered and rescued him many times. When David's strength failed, GOD made him bold with strength in his soul.

It is important to praise GOD for who HE is, even more than for what He has done for us.

OLD TESTAMENT



Zechariah 6: 9 – 7: 7

Zechariah 7: 4 – 7

Did you really fast for ME?

GOD's word through Zechariah rebuked the people of GOD for what their fasting had become – indulgent seasons of self-pity instead of a time to genuinely seek GOD. Their lives were not right when they did eat and drink – that they did for themselves, not for the LORD. Because their hearts were not right with God, their rituals were not acceptable to God.

God wants us to focus on active obedience and an active walk with Him.

NEW TESTAMENT



Luke 2: 15 – 24

Luke 2: 17 – 20

They made widely known the saying which was told them concerning this Child

The combination of the angelic announcement and the sign of a child in a feeding trough inspired the shepherds to tell as many as they could of what they heard and experienced.

The shepherd's good news amazed all who heard it. Even if they didn't really understand it, they recognized that something significant had happened.

GOD works through all kinds of people and all kinds of events to accomplish HIS plan.

The shepherds had such happiness and praise to GOD because the word was fulfilled just as it was told them.

If the cradle of CHRIST had such an effect upon them, as to make them rise from the stable and the manger to heaven, how much more powerful ought the death and resurrection of CHRIST to be in raising us to GOD?"

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 27th December 2024

Morning

Psalms- 139

Old Testament- Zechariah 7: 8 – 14

New Testament- Luke 2: 25 – 35

Evening

Psalms- 140: 1 – 8; 12 & 13 and Psalms 141

Old Testament- Zechariah 8: 1 – 8

New Testament- Luke 2: 36 – 40

Quiz for 27th December 2024– from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 139; Psalms 140: 1 – 8; 12 & 13 and Psalms 141

1) The prayer should be set before GOD as ... Psalm number and reference...?

Zechariah 7: 8 – 8: 8

2) Whom should we not oppressreference ...?

Luke 2: 25 – 40

3) Who was led by the HOLY SPIRIT to go to the temple ... reference ...?

Verses for 27th December 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 139; Psalms 140: 1 – 8; 12 & 13 and Psalms 141

Psalms 141: 2

Let my prayer be set before YOU as incense.

David used the smoke and smell of incense as a representation of his prayer to GOD. His posture of prayer, the raising up of one's hands was symbolic of dependence on and praise of the LORD. Revelation 5:8 says that the prayers of GOD's people are like incense, and Hebrews 13:15 describes praise as a sacrifice unto GOD.

Psalms 141: 3

Set a guard, O LORD, over my mouth

David didn't want the same mouth that prayed as if it were incense to be used for lies or any evil thing. He asked GOD to keep watch over the door of his lips, so that he would not say evil or foolish things.

OLD TESTAMENT



Zechariah 7: 8 – 8: 8

Zechariah 7: 8 – 14

The central theme in this scripture portion is that GOD cares about how his people live. Those who belong to GOD do not have the freedom to live however they want. Those who have been redeemed by JESUS submit to JESUS as the LORD of their lives.

- 1) GOD has always been more concerned with the heart of his people than the religious actions of his people. Why you do what you do is foundational to the Christian faith.
- 2) As Christians, whatever we do, we do for the LORD, not ourselves. And when our heart is oriented toward the LORD, our religious activities and daily living will not conflict with one another.
- 3) A love for GOD always leads to a love for your neighbour, and indifference toward GOD always leads to indifference toward our neighbour.
- 4) GOD desires, expects, and demands his people to treat all people fairly in everything they do. Selfish people don't care about justice, but selfless people desire to "render true judgments."
- 5) GOD's care for the broken and the vulnerable. And if GOD cares for the vulnerable, we should care for the vulnerable. If we have experienced GOD's grace, mercy, and care, we must understand that we have a biblical responsibility to steward our time and resources to help those in need around us.
- 6) GOD is calling us to a loving relationship with HIMSELF, where we listen to HIM, trusting that HE knows what's best, and where we walk in obedience to HIM.

NEW TESTAMENT

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Luke 2: 25 – 40

Luke 2: 25 – 32

Simeon was a man who knew how to be led by the HOLY SPIRIT, both in hearing GOD's promise to him and being prompted to go to the temple at the right time. Simeon now had the peace of seeing GOD's promise fulfilled in his life. The amazing thing about Simeon's prophecy is that it shows that this light is for the Gentiles also. The salvation of JESUS began with Israel but was always to be extended beyond Israel.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 28th December 2024

Morning

Psalms- 142 and 143

Old Testament- Zechariah 8: 9 – 13

New Testament- Luke 2: 41 – 52

Evening

Psalms- 144

Old Testament- Zechariah 8: 14 – 23

New Testament- Matthew 1: 1 – 6

Verses for 28th December 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 142; 143 and 144

Psalms 142: 1

With my voice to the LORD

As a man of deep spiritual experience, David knew that there were many ways to cry out to the LORD – in thought, in feeling, in action. Here in this psalm David cried out to GOD with his voice.

OLD TESTAMENT



Zechariah 8: 9 – 23

Zechariah 8: 9 – 13

I will not treat the remnant of this people as in the former days

GOD allowed a period of difficulty but would not allow it to last forever. HE would bring prosperity and blessing to the once afflicted nation.

You shall be a blessing. Do not fear, let your hands be strong

Though their present state was lowly, GOD wanted Israel to trust in HIS promise of blessing, and let the promise encourage them to diligent, strong service. GOD wanted them to find strength for the work (let your hands be strong) in HIS promise.

NEW TESTAMENT

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Luke 2: 41 – 52 and Matthew 1: 1 – 6

Matthew 1: 1

Matthew (who was also known as Levi), who was a former tax collector before he followed Jesus as a disciple.

Matthew begins his account of the life of Jesus Christ with the record of the lineage of Jesus from the patriarch Abraham.

CSI Almanac – 29th December 2024, Sunday

1st Sunday after Christmas

FAMILY AS HEALING SPACE

(Family Sunday)

Morning Scripture Reading:

Genesis 33: 1 – 11

Psalms 91

Ephesians 6: 1 – 9

Luke 15: 11 – 24

Evening Scripture Reading:

Psalms 68: 1 – 10

Colossians 3: 12 – 17

Collect:

Gracious GOD, who granted family as a gift to the human beings, continue to bless the family life where they find mutual love and care. We are grateful to you for shaping and moulding human life in the setting of the family. In the family life, we learn the importance of sharing, loving and respecting each other as JESUS taught us through HIS self- sacrificing life on this earth. Help us to create a space of healing in the family for every member so that they may experience Your continuous forgiveness, grace and happiness, through JESUS CHRIST, who lives and reigns with You in unity with the HOLY SPIRIT, one GOD, now and forever.

Amen.

CSI Almanac – Daily Bible Reading – 30th December 2024

Morning

Psalms- 147

Old Testament- Zechariah 9: 1 – 8

New Testament- Matthew 1: 7 – 17

Evening

Psalms- 148

Old Testament- Zechariah 9: 9 – 10

New Testament- Matthew 1: 18 – 25

Quiz for 30th December 2024– from the Bible Reading Portion.

Psalms 147 and 148

1) The might and grace of GOD... Psalm number...?

Zechariah 9: 1 – 10

2) Old Testament Prophecy and New Testament fulfilment.... reference ...?

Matthew 1: 7 – 25

3) What is the difference you find in Genealogy...?

Verses for 30th December 2024

PSALMS



Psalms 147 and 148

Psalms 147: 1 – 11

Praising GOD is work that is its own wages. It is comely; it becomes us as reasonable creatures, much more as people in covenant with GOD. HE gathers outcast sinners by HIS grace, and will bring them into HIS holy habitation. To those whom GOD heals with the consolations of his Spirit, HE speaks peace, assures them their sins are pardoned. And for this, let others praise HIM also. Man's knowledge is soon ended; but GOD's knowledge is a depth that can never be fathomed. And while HE telleth

the number of the stars, HE condescends to hear the broken-hearted sinner. While HE feeds the young ravens, HE will not leave His praying people destitute.

Clouds look dull and melancholy, yet without them we could have no rain, therefore no fruit. Thus afflictions look black and unpleasant; but from clouds of affliction come showers that make the soul to yield the peaceable fruits of righteousness.

The psalmist delights not in things wherein sinners trust and glory; but a serious and suitable regard to GOD is, in HIS sight, of very great price. We are not to be in doubt between hope and fear, but to act under the gracious influences of hope and fear united.

OLD TESTAMENT



Zechariah 9: 1 – 10

Zechariah 9: 9

Thy KING cometh having salvation.

A still greater cause for rejoicing is that coming of the KING, not in royal splendour but in humility riding upon an ass. Zachariah's foresees the triumphal entry of JESUS into Jerusalem. By riding into the holy city in this way.

JESUS declared HIMSELF to be the MESSIAH and SAVIOUR, ready to go to the cross.

NEW TESTAMENT



Matthew 1: 7 – 25

Matthew 1: 16

Mary ...JESUS.

The virgin birth of JESUS is safeguarded in genealogy. Notice the word "begat" is used in all the names down to JESUS, but then the statement is altered, it is **not said** that regards to Joseph - "begat" JESUS, but rather that Joseph was the husband of Mary, of whom was born JESUS.

COME TO THE LORD AND REJOICE

(Year Ending)

Old Testament Reading:

Isaiah 1: 1 – 20

Psalms Reading:

Psalms 89: 1 – 18

Epistle Reading:

Acts 16: 19 – 34

Gospel Reading:

Luke 19: 1 – 10

Collect:

Everlasting GOD, who is the creator and Sustainer of whole universe in our LORD and SAVIOUR JESUS CHRIST, though the year ends, YOUR steadfast love that sustains, protects and guards will never abandon us; great is Your faithfulness. We praise YOU for YOUR helping hand in the times of trials, healing hand during the times of weakness and we are grateful to YOU for the promise of YOUR presence in the year to come. Grant us grace to live with YOU all the days of our life in the midst of every uncertainty until we join YOU in eternity; through JESUS CHRIST, who lives and reigns with YOU in unity with the HOLY SPIRIT one GOD now and forever.

Amen.