



Treasuring God's Word



September 10-15, 2018

Monday, September 10, 2018

Read Deuteronomy 14:22-29

Have you ever attended a party where the special theme was God's goodness? That's what is going on in today's reading. The people of Israel are commanded to take some of their savings and buy their favorite food and drink so they can celebrate God's presence and give thanks for His blessings. Cool!

Pray: Lord, hear me as I take a moment to give thanks for some of the blessings You've given me.

Tuesday, September 11, 2018

Read Ruth 1:1-21

Life's circumstances can often prompt us to feel bitter, toward other people and even the Lord! And yet, Naomi does not suffer alone. Ruth would rather go with her mother in law than return to her own people. Ruth's declaration of love is unconditional and complete. **Pray: God, let Ruth's words remind me of the unconditional love I have received from my Savior, Jesus. Amen.**

Wednesday, September 12, 2018

Read Psalm 38:9-22

David is candid about the pain he is feeling. He is lonely. His enemies seem ready to pounce. His despair is great. But read verses 21-22 again. There is hope! There is hope wherever there is God!

Pray: Lord, sometimes I feel like David – lonely and desperate. Holy Spirit, remind me that my help is in the Lord. Amen.

Thursday, September 13, 2018

Read Matthew 26:47-56

The scene in the Garden becomes chaotic. Judas betrays Jesus. A servant is injured. And yet, none of this fazes Jesus in the least. He could have turned back Judas and the crowd easily. But note what Jesus says in verses 54 and 56. All that has happened is not by chance but was prophesied in the Scriptures well before that fateful night. **Pray: Jesus, nothing surprises You. When I am surprised by life's unexpected challenges, remind me that You are with me. Amen.**

Friday, September 14, 2018

Read Acts 17:1-15

Today's reading could be titled, "On the Road Again With Paul and Silas!" They visit two different cities. Opposition and persecution takes place in both. And yet, what happens? God's Word is preached and people confess Jesus as Lord and Savior. **Pray: Lord, continue to bless the proclamation of the Gospel; let nothing come between it and those who need to hear it. Amen.**

Saturday, September 15, 2018

Read Hebrews 9:23-28

The Old Testament priests had to continually offer up sacrifices for sin, both for themselves and the people. Jesus holds a three-fold office: prophet, priest, and king. His one sacrifice covers all our sin. Nothing more need be done. **Pray: Jesus, thank You for sacrificing Your own life so that I might have life – now and for eternity. Amen.**