

May 2010

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>30 Read: 1 Chron. 28, 29 John 11:47-57 Memory: Mark 11:24 Pray: William Swihart Pray: Our Teaching Ministry in Other Nations</p>	<p>31 Read: 2 Chron. 1-3 John 12:1-19 Memory: Mark 11:24 Pray: Elaine Taylor Pray: Songhai Peoples, Sahel Africa</p>					<p>1 Read: 1 Kings 1, 2 Luke 22:54-71 Memory: Mark 16:17-18 Pray: Roberts Family Pray: Riff Berber Peoples, Arab World</p>
<p>2 Read: 1 Kings 3-5 Luke 23:1-26 Memory: James 1:5 Pray: Cliff Robinson Pray: Our Literature Ministry in Other Nations</p>	<p>3 Read: 1 Kings 6, 7 Luke 23:27-38 Memory: James 1:5 Pray: Rolon Family Pray: Kabyle Berber Peoples, Arab World</p>	<p>4 Read: 1 Kings 8, 9 Luke 23:39-56 Memory: James 1:5 Pray: Rowe-Wagner Family Pray: Shawiya Berber Peoples, Arab World</p>	<p>5 Read: 1 Kings 10, 11 Luke 24:1-35 Memory: James 1:5 Pray: Ryan Family Pray: Tamazight Berber Peoples, Arab World</p>	<p>6 Read: 1 Kings 12, 13 Luke 24:36-53 Memory: James 1:5 Pray: Eric Sassaman Family Pray: Taureg Peoples, Arab World</p>	<p>7 Read: 1 Kings 14, 15 John 1:1-28 Memory: James 1:5 Pray: Grant Sassaman Pray: Saharan Berber Peoples, Arab World</p>	<p>8 Read: 1 Kings 16-18 John 1:29-51 Memory: James 1:5 Pray: Owen Sassaman Family Pray: Shilha Berber Peoples, Arab World</p>
<p>9 Read: 1 Kings 19, 20 John 2 Memory: Psalm 31:1-4 Pray: Leroy Schmucker Pray: ConneXions Schools in China</p>	<p>10 Read: 1 Kings 21, 22 John 3:1-21 Memory: Psalm 31:1-4 Pray: Sylvia Seaman Pray: Shuwa Arab Peoples, Arab World</p>	<p>11 Read: 2 Kings 1-3 John 3:22-36 Memory: Psalm 31:1-4 Pray: Shankster Family Pray: Somali Peoples, Horn of Africa</p>	<p>12 Read: 2 Kings 4, 5 John 4:1-30 Memory: Psalm 31:1-4 Pray: Mercy Sheeley Pray: Afar Peoples, Horn of Africa</p>	<p>13 Read: 2 Kings 6-8 John 4:31-54 Memory: Psalm 31:1-4 Pray: Slaubaugh Family Pray: Beja Peoples, Horn of Africa</p>	<p>14 Read: 2 Kings 9-11 John 5:1-24 Memory: Psalm 31:1-4 Pray: Allen Smith Pray: Nubian Peoples, Horn of Africa</p>	<p>15 Read: 2 Kings 12-14 John 5:25-47 Memory: Psalm 31:1-4 Pray: Anne Smith Pray: Chadic Peoples, Sahel Africa</p>
<p>16 Read: 2 Kings 15-17 John 6:1-21 Memory: Isaiah 57:15 Pray: Greg Smith Family Pray: ConneXions Schools in India</p>	<p>17 Read: 2 Kings 18, 19 John 6:22-44 Memory: Isaiah 57:15 Pray: Larry Smith Pray: Fur Peoples, Sahel Africa</p>	<p>18 Read: 2 Kings 20-22 John 6:45-71 Memory: Isaiah 57:15 Pray: Ryder Smith Pray: Masalit Peoples, Sahel Africa</p>	<p>19 Read: 2 Kings 23-25 John 7:1-31 Memory: Isaiah 57:15 Pray: Walt Smith Family Pray: Fulani Peoples, Sahel Africa</p>	<p>20 Read: 1 Chron. 1, 2 John 7:32-53 Memory: Isaiah 57:15 Pray: Marsha Springer Pray: Fon Peoples, Sahel Africa</p>	<p>21 Read: 1 Chron. 3-5 John 8:1-20 Memory: Isaiah 57:15 Pray: Adam Stoffel Family Pray: Gur Peoples, Sahel Africa</p>	<p>22 Read: 1 Chron. 6, 7 John 8:21-36 Memory: Isaiah 57:15 Pray: Ben Stoffel Family Pray: Wolof Peoples, Sahel Africa</p>
<p>23 Read: 1 Chron. 8-10 John 8:37-59 Memory: Matthew 18:19 Pray: Don Stoffel Family Pray: Israel</p>	<p>24 Read: 1 Chron. 11-13 John 9:1-23 Memory: Matthew 18:19 Pray: Joel Stoffel Family Pray: Malinke Peoples, Sahel Africa</p>	<p>25 Read: 1 Chron. 14-16 John 9:24-41 Memory: Matthew 18:19 Pray: Liz Stoffel Pray: Dioula Peoples, Sahel Africa</p>	<p>26 Read: 1 Chron. 17-19 John 10:1-21 Memory: Matthew 18:19 Pray: Streby Family Pray: Soninke Peoples, Sahel Africa</p>	<p>27 Read: 1 Chron. 20-22 John 10:22-42 Memory: Matthew 18:19 Pray: Strukel Family Pray: Susu Peoples, Sahel Africa</p>	<p>28 Read: 1 Chron. 23-25 John 11:1-17 Memory: Matthew 18:19 Pray: Jan Stump Pray: Hausa Peoples, Sahel Africa</p>	<p>29 Read: 1 Chron. 26, 27 John 11:18-46 Memory: Matthew 18:19 Pray: Stutsman Family Pray: Kanuri Peoples, Sahel Africa</p>

DEVELOPING A DAILY DEVOTIONAL LIFE

BASIC POINTS (DISCIPLINE WEIGHS OUNCES, REGRET WEIGHS TONS):

- 1. Do something.** An hour is 60 times better than a minute. But a minute is infinitely better than nothing. Establish a routine.
 - 2. Daily.** Israel ate manna daily. Jesus is our true Manna from heaven. Set aside time.
- Initial target: 15-30 minutes a day, every day.** Set aside a place. Put God first. Wrap the other events of your life around your time with God.

THE BASIC ELEMENTS OF A DEVOTIONAL TIME:

Thanksgiving, praise, worship (Ps. 150:6). Focus on God first.

Repentance and confession of sin (1 John 1:9).

Scripture praying (e.g., Eph. 1:16-23) **and confession** (e.g., Ps. 91; 121; 133).

Word (Ps. 119:11):

- Learn a verse a day.
- Read 3 chapters a day.
- Read meditative verses each day.
- Read a devotional.

Prayer (Eph. 6:18):

Authorities (1 Tim. 2:1-4):

- Govt.
- Church
- Employer/School

Israel (Ps. 122:6-7)

Prayer list:

- Target unbelievers/Prayer triplets
- Your own family (Acts 16:31)
- Your spouse/future spouse
- Your children and their (future) spouses
- Missionaries/unreached peoples
- Your prayer partner(s)

Petition with thanksgiving (Phil. 4:6; Matt. 6:11).

Fellowship with God (1 John 1:3).

Talk to Him as a friend.

Wait-listen.

Thanksgiving:

For who God is.

For what God has done.

For what God is going to do. Thank Him in advance = faith.

SUGGESTED RESOURCES:

In God's Presence. 6 weeks of daily material to develop a daily prayer life.

Spending Time Alone with God. 10 weekly studies. Teen material.

Arrival Kit. 11 weeks of daily material (15 mins. a day).

One Minute Bible. 1 year of Bible study @ 1 minute per day. Great for devotions with teens & children. 1440 minutes a day; can you give God one?

My Utmost For His Highest by Oswald Chambers. Excellent daily devotional.

Operation World by Patrick Johnson. Pray for every nation in a year.

To Enjoy Him Forever by Malcolm Webber. God's purpose for us is to know Jesus.

Life's Foundations

Gifting		Fruitfulness		Ministry
Character				
Relationship with God				
Time	Communication			