

Bible in a Year Study Questions – Day 37/February 6

Today's Readings:

Exodus 23 & 24

Psalm 19.1-6

Proverbs 6.30-31

Matthew 23.23-39

1. What is the significance of the Sabbath day in Exodus 23:10-12? How can you better follow the example of Sabbath rest in your life?
2. Why do you think God instituted the three annual festivals mentioned in Exodus 23:14-17? What did it require of the Israelites?
3. Reflect on the promise God makes in Exodus 23:20-24. How does this truth apply to your life?
4. Describe the ceremony of covenant confirmation in Exodus 24:3-8. Why was blood involved in this process? How does it foreshadow the New Covenant in Christ?
5. Explore the significance of Moses, Aaron, Nadab, Abihu, and the seventy elders being allowed to see God (Exodus 24:9-11). What might this reveal about God's desire for intimacy with His people? How does this encourage you?
6. Exodus 24:15-18 describes the cloud covering the mountain for six days. What might be the significance of this period?

7. According to Psalm 19:1-2, how does creation declare the glory of God?

8. When taken with Romans 1.18-20, what does it say about man's accountability before God?

9. As sinful human beings, we can easily justify sin like the hungry thief in Proverbs 6.30-31. But what has God promised us as believers according to 1 Corinthians 10.13?

10. In Matthew 23:23, Jesus criticizes the religious leaders for neglecting the weightier matters of the law. What are these weightier matters, and how can you prioritize them in your life?

11. Think about Jesus' criticism of the religious leaders in Matthew 23:25-28 because of their focus on outward appearances while neglecting inner purity. How can you avoid falling into the trap of hypocrisy and cultivate right heart attitudes?

12. Why was the religious leaders' claim in Matthew 23.30 so ridiculous?

13. Consider Jesus' lament over Jerusalem in Matthew 23:37-39. What emotions and concerns does Jesus express in these verses? What did this foreshadow?

14. Which passage in today's reading impacted you the most? Is there a verse you would like to memorize and/or meditate on today?