

Bible in a Year Study Questions – Day 51 / February 20

Today's Readings:

Leviticus 11 & 12

Psalm 25.8-15

Proverbs 10.1-3

Mark 2.1-28

1. Why do you think God gave the Israelites specific instructions regarding clean and unclean animals in Leviticus 11? How might these dietary laws have served spiritual and practical purposes for the Israelites?
2. What were the purification rites required for a woman after giving birth, as outlined in Leviticus 12? Why do you believe these were necessary?
3. In Psalm 25.8, the psalmist declares that the Lord is good and upright. How do these attributes of God impact the psalmist's relationship with Him? How do they impact your relationship with Him?
4. According to verse 9, whom does the Lord instruct in his way? What is the significance of humility in receiving guidance from God?
5. Reflect on the idea of God guiding those who fear Him along the paths of righteousness (verse 12). What might these paths represent?
6. How does the concept of God guiding our paths relate to other passages in the Bible (e.g., Proverbs 3:5-6)?

7. Consider the repeated emphasis on the fear of the Lord in this passage. What does it mean to fear God, and how does it contribute to a vibrant and faithful relationship with Him?

8. Verse 15 speaks of God's role in redeeming Israel from all their troubles.

9. How do the themes of guidance, fear of the Lord, and redemption apply to your personal relationship with God?

10. Proverbs 10.1 contrasts a wise son with a foolish son. What characteristics or behaviors are associated with each?

11. How does the idea of a wise son bringing joy to his father contribute to our understanding of the value of wisdom in family relationships?

12. How does the pursuit of wealth with integrity lead to life, while gaining wealth through wicked means leads to destruction?

13. Why did the scribes question Jesus' authority to forgive sins in Mark 2.1-12?

14. How did Jesus respond to their skepticism, and what does his response reveal about his identity and authority?

15. Jesus performs a physical healing as a visible sign of his authority to forgive sins. How does the healing of the paralytic reinforce the spiritual truth Jesus proclaimed?

16. What is significant about Jesus calling Levi (Matthew), a tax collector, to be one of his disciples in Matthew 2.13-17?

17. The Pharisees questioned Jesus for eating with tax collectors and sinners. How did Jesus respond to their criticism?

18. The disciples of John and the Pharisees questioned Jesus about fasting. How did Jesus respond to their inquiry in Matthew 2.18-28? What do you believe He meant?

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