

Bible in a Year Study Questions – Day 68 - March 9

Today's Readings:

Numbers 15 & 16

Psalm 32.1-5

Proverbs 11.16-18

Mark 11.1-19

1. What types of offerings are outlined in Numbers 15, and what is their significance?
2. How does God differentiate between unintentional and intentional sins in this chapter? Contrast the treatment of unintentional sins with deliberate sins. What consequences are mentioned for those who sin defiantly?
3. Why do you think God instructs the Israelites to wear tassels with a blue cord?
4. What is the significance of reminding the Israelites to remember and do all of God's commandments? Do you have ways that you remind yourself?
5. What were the specific grievances that Korah, Dathan, and Abiram had against Moses and Aaron in Numbers 16?
6. How does Moses respond to the accusations and rebellion of Korah, Dathan, and Abiram?

7. Why is challenging the leadership of Moses and Aaron seen as challenging God Himself? How might this apply to you in some area of life?

8. What is the significance of Moses calling for a separation between the congregation and the families of Korah, Dathan, and Abiram? Are there times when we might need to separate ourselves from someone and simply love and pray for them from a distance?

9. How do the people respond to the judgment against Korah, Dathan, and Abiram? What actions does God take to address the grumbling and discontent among the Israelites?

10. What does the phrase "Blessed is the one whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are covered" mean to you personally (Ps. 32.1-5)?

11. How does the psalmist describe the effect of keeping silent about sin and not confessing it to God? Have you ever experienced the weight of unconfessed sin in your own life? How did it affect you?

12. In what ways does the practice of confession and receiving forgiveness impact our relationship with God and others?

13. What does it mean to show kindness to one's own soul, as contrasted with cruelty to oneself (Prov. 11.16-18)?

14. Compare the outcomes of righteousness and wickedness as presented in these verses. What patterns or themes do you notice?

15. How can you cultivate a spirit of generosity and kindness in your life, as suggested in these verses?

16. What is significant about the way Jesus enters Jerusalem? How does it fulfill Old Testament prophecies (Mk. 11.1-19)? How do the people respond to Jesus' entry, and what might their expectations be for Him?

17. Why does Jesus curse the fig tree, and what might this action symbolize? What lessons can be drawn from the fig tree incident regarding faith and fruitfulness?

18. What prompts Jesus to cleanse the temple, and what does this act reveal about His concerns?

19. How do the events in Mark 11 connect with Old Testament prophecies, particularly regarding the Messiah?

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