

# **Bible in a Year Study Questions – Day 89 - March 30**

## **Today's Readings:**

Deuteronomy 21 & 22

Psalm 38.9-22

Proverbs 12.26-28

Luke 5.1-16

1. What instructions does Deuteronomy 21 provide regarding handling unsolved murders and atoning for innocent blood? Reflect on the rituals described for atoning for an unsolved murder in verses 1-9. What do these rituals signify about the value of human life and the responsibility of the community?
2. Explore the regulations regarding marriage to captive women in verses 10-14. What principles can we draw from these regulations about compassion and human dignity?
3. Reflect on the provision made for the welfare of the unloved wife in verses 15-17. What does this reveal about God's concern for the vulnerable?
4. Reflect on the principle of the rebellious son being subject to capital punishment in verses 18-21. What lessons can we draw from this about the importance of discipline and respect for authority?
5. Explore the laws regarding the treatment of executed criminals in verses 22-23. What do these laws teach us about the sanctity of human life and the importance of honoring the image of God?

6. Reflect on the significance of displaying executed criminals as a warning to others in verse 23. How does this practice serve as a deterrent to crime?
  
7. What instructions does Deuteronomy 22 provide regarding various aspects of daily life and community living?
  
8. Reflect on the commandment to return lost property to its rightful owner in verses 1-3. What principles of justice and responsibility can we draw from this commandment?
  
9. Discuss the significance of helping animals in distress, as outlined in verses 4-5. What do these instructions reveal about compassion and stewardship?
  
10. Explore the laws regarding gender-specific clothing and behavior in verses 5-12. What principles can we draw from these laws about honoring God's design for gender and identity?
  
11. Reflect on the prohibition against mixing certain fabrics in verse 11. What might be the spiritual or symbolic significance behind this law?
  
12. Discuss the commandment to build parapets around the roof of one's house in verse 8. How does this commandment reflect concern for the safety and well-being of others?
  
13. Reflect on the importance of sexual purity and maintaining the sanctity of marriage as outlined in verses 13-30. How do these laws promote healthy relationships and protect individuals from harm?

14. Explore the concept of justice and fairness in cases of sexual misconduct, as described in verses 22-29. What principles can we draw from these laws about accountability and protection of the vulnerable?
15. Reflect on the consequences of adultery and rape as outlined in verses 22-29. How do these consequences reflect the seriousness of these offenses in God's eyes?
16. Reflect on the imagery used in Psalm 28.9 to describe the psalmist's condition. How does it convey the intensity of his suffering?
17. Consider the psalmist's confession of his sin and guilt in verses 18-19. How does this confession contribute to his plea for God's mercy and forgiveness?
18. Reflect on the psalmist's response to his suffering in verse 15. How does his trust in God's deliverance provide comfort and hope in the midst of adversity?
19. Discuss the psalmist's plea for God's assistance and protection in verses 21-22. How does this plea reflect the psalmist's dependence on God for deliverance and salvation?
20. Reflect on the psalmist's recognition of God's righteousness and justice in verse 15. How does this recognition shape his understanding of his suffering and God's role in it?
21. Consider the contrast between the righteous and the wicked in Proverbs 12.26. What characteristics distinguish the righteous from the wicked, according to this verse?

22. Explore the idea of the lazy person as described in verse 27. What does it say about his faithfulness and stewardship?
  
23. Reflect on the concept of pursuing righteousness and avoiding wickedness as a pathway to life. How does this principle align with other teachings in the Bible?
  
24. Reflect on the idea of finding wisdom and understanding in these verses. How can we actively seek wisdom in our daily lives?
  
25. How can the principles and teachings found in Proverbs 12:26-28 shape our attitudes and behaviors in our interactions with others and our approach to work and life in general?
  
26. Reflect on the significance of Jesus teaching from Simon's boat in Luke 5. What does this reveal about Jesus' approach to ministry and teaching?
  
27. Explore the obedience of Simon Peter in response to Jesus' instruction to cast the nets again. What can we learn from Simon's willingness to trust and obey Jesus, even when it seemed unlikely to yield results?
  
28. Discuss the miraculous catch of fish and its impact on Simon Peter and his companions. How does this event demonstrate Jesus' power and authority over nature?
  
29. Reflect on Simon Peter's response to witnessing the miracle, as described in verse 8. How does he recognize his own unworthiness in the presence of Jesus?

30. Explore Jesus' call to Simon Peter and his companions to become fishers of men. What does this call signify, and how does it relate to Jesus' broader mission?
  
31. Reflect on the healing of the leper as described in verses 12-14. What does this miracle reveal about Jesus' compassion and willingness to minister to those who are suffering?
  
32. Explore the instructions given to the healed leper by Jesus in verse 14. What does this reveal about Jesus' concern for obedience to the Mosaic law?
  
33. Reflect on Jesus' habit of withdrawing to lonely places for prayer. What can we learn from his example about the importance of solitude and prayer in our own lives?
  
34. Which passage in today's reading impacted you the most? Is there a verse you would like to memorize and/or meditate on today?