

READ THROUGH THE BIBLE SCHEDULE FOR 3/5/12 TO 3/11/12

MONDAY, MARCH 5, 2012 Read I Peter 1:1-25

As we have seen, the book of Hebrews was written to believers who had suffered ridicule and economic loss for the sake of Jesus. Peter's readers were taking the next stop- death for Jesus' sake. But if you expect the apostle's words to be tense and morose, think again. As you read, ask yourself what accounts for Peter's joy.

TUESDAY, MARCH 6, 2012 Read I Peter 2:1-25

God's people live in the slice of time between the now and the not yet, as many theologians have observed. Peter's words in today's text remind us of that. The apostle tells us what and who we have truly become in Christ. As you read, contrast this new and honorable identity with the humble service it empowers us to give.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 7, 2012 Read 3:1-4:19

Once again Peter reminds readers of the new identity Jesus' people enjoy in their Savior. Peter ties this tightly with what we might call "the sacrament of identity"- Baptism. Watch for this connection as you read.

THURSDAY, MARCH 8, 2012 Read I Peter 5: 1-14

Imagine a sheep biting a shepherd. Imagine a shepherd beating a sheep. If either of these begins to happen, something is drastically wrong in the flock! What does this have to do with the church? Read I Peter 5 to find out.

FRIDAY, MARCH 9, 2012 Read II Peter 1:1 to II Peter 2:22

Peter wrote his first letter to people undergoing persecution. They needed steadfastness and hope. Peter wrote his second letter to a group of people who were being tested in a different way0 false teachers had crept into their fellowship. TO face this challenge, the believers needed steadfastness and a deep, personal knowledge of the truth. Where does Peter accent these concepts in today's reading?

SATURDAY, MARCH 10, 2012 Read II Peter 3:1-18

Today's reading concludes Peter's second letter as it continues his warnings to stand guard against false teachers. Read to see how Peter links our Lord's return with the exhortation to remain faithful.

SUNDAY, MARCH 11, 2012

Come to worship in the morning and listen as the preschoolers share their love of Jesus with all who attend. Then spend some time in the afternoon or evening, catching up on any readings you missed during the week!