

READ THROUGH THE BIBLE STUDY SCHEDULE FOR 02/18/13 TO 02/24/13

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2013 Read Psalms 48-53

Most of the psalms in today's reading touch in one way or another on the theme "godlessness is foolishness." As you read, note the psalm writers often referred to the people of God (the invisible church) by using terms like *Zion, Jerusalem, the daughters of Judah, Jacob, and Israel*. While the outward, visible church includes both believers and unbelievers, *Zion* and its synonyms usually encompass only those who belong to God through faith in the promised Messiah.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2013 Read Psalms 54 to 60

Most of the Psalms in today's reading refer to the words spoken by the Psalmist's enemies. These words are identified as sinful (59:12), threatening (55:11), and deceptive (55:21). As you read, ask yourself in what ways the enemy, Satan, lies to you. Have you fallen for any of those lies lately?

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2013 Read Psalms 61 to 66

Today's psalms are particularly calming and comforting during times of turmoil and trouble. As you pray them, find in your Lord your salvation, your rock, your fortress, and your honor (Psalm 62:5-7).

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2013 Read Psalms 67 to 72

Several of today's psalms speak prophetically about the promised Messiah. As you pray them, keep in mind the work our Lord Jesus has done for us, especially the forgiveness and peace He earned through the blood of His cross. Also note that Psalm 72 in its entirety prophesies about Christ's office and work. He is our King!

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2013 Read Psalm 73 to 77

In many of the psalms for today, the psalmist struggles with a question that often still torments God's people. Why do the wicked so often prosper while those who love the Lord suffer? As Asaph ponders this, he draws some comforting conclusions. Look for these as you pray each psalm.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2013 Read Psalm 78 to 82

Many of today's psalms picture the Lord as Israel's shepherd. Though He tended them with gentle care, they continually wandered away from Him, even worshiping other gods. As you pray these psalms, listen for the Lord's voice calling you to repentance and faith.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2013 WORSHIP WITH US ON THE SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT IN THE MORNING AND THEN TAKE SOME TIME LATER IN THE DAY TO CATCH UP ON ANY READINGS YOU MISSED DURING THE WEEK.