

READ THROUGH THE BIBLE STUDY SCHEDULE FOR 3/25/13 TO 3/31/13

MONDAY, MARCH 25, 2013 Read Proverbs 22 and 23

We've read the proverbs to youth, or fatherly proverbs (Proverbs 1-9), the antithetical proverbs (chapters 10-15), and the synthetic proverbs (chapters 16-21). Now we turn to the extended proverbs (chapters 22-31). These generally deal with their subject matter in more depth. As you read today, look for the Lord's counsel in three areas: parenting, right perspectives on work, and the wise use of money.

TUESDAY, MARCH 26, 2013 Read Proverbs 24 and 25

Mark Twain once told his publisher, "If I had more time, I would have written a shorter book." Twain knew that tight, powerful writing comes only as a writer crafts each sentence to distill each thought. As the Holy Spirit inspired King Solomon, the king crafted today's proverbs. The wisdom distilled in them works today, just as it did in Solomon's time. As you read, pray that the Spirit would impress His wisdom on your heart.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 27, 2013 Read Proverbs 26 and 27TH

In a series of extended proverbs, Solomon continues to detail God's wisdom. He shares so many practical hints in so few words that it's easy to miss some of them. Ask the Holy Spirit to draw your attention to texts that He wants to personalize to your heart.

THURSDAY, MARCH 28, 2013

The ideas you will encounter in Proverbs today can serve as a review. Many themes that recur throughout the book appear again here. As you read them, remind yourself of what the Lord has said about His people's relationships with the poor, our decisions about using money and possessions, and His response when we confess our sins. What other themes do you recognize?

FRIDAY, MARCH 29, 2013 Read Proverbs 30 and 31

Extended proverbs fill both of today's chapters, the last two chapters in Proverbs. As you read 30:2-16, note the lifestyle described there; self-sufficient, self-righteous, self-satisfied, in short, self-focused. Contrast this with the lifestyle described in 31:1-31. Which lifestyle would be easier? More fulfilling?

SATURDAY, MARCH 30, 2013 Read Ecclesiastes 1 and 2

The foolish learn through sad experiences, if at all. The wise learn by watching the sad experiences of the foolish. (See Proverbs 21:11.) as we read Solomon's story of foolish living from the Book of Ecclesiastes, our Lord gives us a chance to learn from Solomon's experiences. As you read, watch for the phrase "under the sun." it clues us in to the perspective from which the author lived most of the events in this book- the viewpoint of the godless.

SUNDAY, MARCH 31, 2013 JOIN US FOR EASTER WORSHIP AS WE CELEBRATE THE RESURRECTION IN THE MORNING AND THEN CATCH UP ON ANY READINGS YOU MISSED LATER IN THE DAY.