

READ THROUGH THE BIBLE STUDY SCHEDULE FOR 5/20/13 TO 5/26/13

MONDAY, MAY 20, 2013 Read Jeremiah 15 to 17

So often had Judah's people reneged on their promise to forsake their sinful lifestyle, the Lord Himself grew tired of hearing their confession. Four fates would befall them: disease, war, famine, and exile. Because of the coming calamities; no one would experience a "normal life." Jeremiah's lifestyle was to reflect this coming reality (16:1-13). Even so, a remnant would return to the Promised Land to provide a "cradle for Christ," the Messiah. Those who have trusted in Him- then and now- are blessed.

TUESDAY, MAY 21, 2013 Read Jeremiah 18 and 19.

While clay is still wet, the potter can work with it, shaping and forming it into a useful vessel. But once it hardens, imperfections can't be changed. Useless pottery can only be shattered and discarded. Keep these facts in mind as you read the two parables Jeremiah includes in today's reading. What light do they shed on his meaning?

WEDNESDAY, MAY 22, 2013 Read Jeremiah 20 to 22

Publically humiliated by Pashhur (chapter 20), Jeremiah was not silenced. This temple official could not intimidate God's spokesman. Nor could King Zedekiah (chapter 21) or any of Judah's other rulers (chapter 21). Nevertheless, their incredibly hard hearts discouraged him (20:7-16). As you read, ask yourself what you do with your own disappointment.

THURSDAY, MAY 23, 2013 Read Jeremiah 23

From the beginning of Jeremiah's book, we have read about the Lord's displeasure with Judah's false prophets. The priests and prophets who should have warned about sin's consequences wallowed in sin even more deeply than the people! As you read, see if you can find your pastor's job description.

FRIDAY, MAY 24, 2013 Read Jeremiah 24 and 25

On Valentine's Day hearts fills people's minds. You'll find Jeremiah has something important to say about hearts in chapter 24. The following chapter contains a sermon written during Jeremiah's twenty-third year in ministry. As you read, watch the Lord pour out His cup of wrath on impenitent sinners from one corner of the earth to the other.

SATURDAY, MAY 25, 2013 Read Jeremiah 26 to 28

So often, human beings put off dealing with problems until they become crises. The low tire becomes a flat. The overcharged credit cards lead to ruined credit and precipitate family crises. That's the way it was in Judah during Jeremiah's ministry. God, in mercy, delayed doom to give His people more time to repent. But doom delayed soon became "doom denied"- the people refused to believe judgment could ever come.

SUNDAY, MAY 26, 2013 COME WORSHIP ON MEMORIAL DAYWEEKEND WITH MARK HAWORTH AS WORSHIP LEADER IN THE MORNING AND THEN CATCH UP ON ANY READINGS YOU MISSED DURING THE WEEK LATER IN THE DAY.