

Personal DailyWalk

January 1-7, 2018



Monday: Numbers 6:22-27 Are you intentionally being a blessing to others? Are you speaking a blessing to others in words and deeds? Bless those you are with today by either speaking this blessing to them, or showing them God's blessings through your actions.

Tuesday: Psalm 14 Is this true; have we all gone astray? We think we are being good/doing good, but then we remember a transgression. Usually, it is something small or we rationalize that it isn't as bad as someone else's transgression. We are all less than good, so show compassion to others, thanking God for His refuge and deliverance.

Wednesday: James 4:1-10 The pull of this world is so strong. It makes perfect sense since we live in this world and have to deal with this world. However, maybe we should/could focus a little more energy and remember that God dwells inside of us, and with His indwelling we have the strength and confidence to overcome our inclinations to deal with this world as a human, instead deal with this world as a Godly-being.

Thursday: Proverbs 3:1-12 Faithfulness to God precedes fruitfulness. If you were in on a guided hike in the wilderness, I bet you would stick pretty darn close to the guide of that hike; especially if it was getting dark out. Well, isn't life a little like a guided hike in the wilderness as darkness is falling? So why do we try to take the journey of life without the perfect guidance of God? Reflect on God's guidance for you, asking that he help you trust in His guidance with your whole heart.

Friday: Luke 6:27-36 Isn't it funny (not haha funny, but interesting funny) that when we ask for something we just want people to say yes; but when they ask for something from us, we want to know every detail before we decide if we will grant that favor. This kind of brings us back to pretty much any day in this week's devotions. The pull of this world, we all go astray, we aren't as faithful as we think we are, and we struggle with blessing others over ourselves. It makes perfect sense that the Golden Rule would be the rule we try to teach our children, yet it is one of the hardest rules for us to follow ourselves. I know I will never love as well as God loves me, but I can at least try. How about you?

Saturday: Epiphany Matthew 2:1-12 Do you think the wise men saw the contrast? Do you think they knew what they were saying when they called Jesus the King of the Jews? Interesting how they paid homage to a baby king, and all Herod could think about was killing young children in the hope of killing this baby king. Pray that you bless the potential and not fear the unknown.

Sunday: Baptism of Our Lord Mark 1:4-11 Why did Jesus need to be baptized? Reflect on the man with no sin being baptized, and God's response to that baptism. Reflect on your baptism, which you may not remember, but meditate on the Spirit coming down to you during your baptism and what God may have whispered in your ear that moment.

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