



Formation Devotional

February 8, 2020 Week Review

Forming Worship, Life, and Ministry Together at Christ Covenant Church

Below is a summary of the scripture readings from this week. Take a moment to reflect upon what you read or catch up on any chapters you may have missed. Give thanks because the Lord of the Sabbath invites you to enter into his rest.

Collect

Almighty God, who after the creation of the world rested from all his works and sanctified a day of rest for all his creatures: Grant that we, putting away all earthly anxieties, may be duly prepared for the service of your sanctuary, and that our rest here upon earth may be a preparation for the eternal rest promised to your people in heaven; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. (BCP 99)

Praying the Psalms

Psalm 47

God can be trusted as King over all things.

Psalm 48

God's salvation comes out of Zion. He will guide us from there forever as we go there by faith through Jesus Christ.

Psalm 49

Those who trust in man will perish with him, but those who trust in God will be saved from death.

Psalm 50

God is the glorious judge over all that he has made. Offer to him the sacrifice of thanksgiving.

Psalm 51

God is merciful to sinners forgiving them and renewing them in the joy of his salvation.

Psalm 52

God's steadfast love endures towards his people, so we can trust him and give thanks to him.

Psalm 53

Man is not good in himself and cannot save himself. Salvation must come from God.

Psalm 54

God is the helper and upholder of all who put their trust in him.

Psalm 55

Man suffers anguish in this life, but he can call on the Lord and be saved morning and evening.

Psalm 56

We will face fears but God can be trusted as he reveals himself in his word.

New Testament Reading**Matthew 24**

Jesus teaches his disciples what they should expect to experience after his resurrection and ascension, but assures them God knows the time of the consummation of all things.

Matthew 25

Jesus teaches his disciples how they are to live as they await his coming again in judgement.

Matthew 26

Jesus suffers in his last hours of his earthly ministry. He is betrayed by Judas, institutes the Lord's Supper, prays in agony, is arrested, and witnesses Peter's denial during his trial.

Matthew 27

Jesus suffers and is crucified.

Matthew 28

Jesus is raised from the dead and gives to his disciples the Great Commission.

Old Testament Reading**Genesis 24**

Abraham's son Isaac receives a wife, Rebekah.

Genesis 25

Abraham dies, Esau and Jacob are born to Isaac and Rebekah, and Esau sells his birthright.

Genesis 26

God renews his promises to Isaac. Isaac repeats his father's deception with Abimelech.

Genesis 27

The blessing of Isaac is given to the younger son Jacob.

Genesis 28

Jacob goes to Laban for a wife and God reveals his covenant of salvation in a dream.

Prayer of Intercession

Pray for our worship at Christ Covenant and the other churches in our community — for:

- A movement of the gospel that enables all kinds of people in all kinds of circumstances to draw near God's throne of grace to worship in spirit and truth.
- A movement of the gospel that renews the hearts of believers through repentance and faith.
- A movement of the gospel that unites and encourages believers for works of love by faith.
- A movement of the gospel that observes the sacraments by faith.
- A movement of the gospel that prays God's word.
- A movement of the gospel that sings so that Christ dwells in the hearts of believers by faith.
- A movement of the gospel that brings all kinds of people in all kinds of circumstances into Christ as their rest.

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