



Formation Devotional

January 25, 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 27

The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The LORD is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid? - Psalm 27:1

Psalm 28

Blessed be the LORD! For he has heard the voice of my pleas for mercy. - Psalm 28:6

Psalm 29

Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name; worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness. - Psalm 29:2

Psalm 30

O LORD, you have brought up my soul from Sheol; you restored me to life from among those who go down to the pit. - Psalm 30:3

Psalm 31

Into your hand I commit my spirit; you have redeemed me, O LORD, faithful God. - Psalm 31:5

Psalm 32

Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered. - Psalm 32:1

Psalm 33

For the word of the LORD is upright, and all his work is done in faithfulness. - Psalm 33:4

Psalm 34

Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good! Blessed is the man who takes refuge in him! - Psalm 34:8

Psalm 35

Then my soul will rejoice in the LORD, exulting in his salvation. - Psalm 35:9

Psalm 36

Your steadfast love, O LORD, extends to the heavens, your faithfulness to the clouds. - Psalm 36:5

New Testament Reading**Matthew 14**

And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children. - Matthew 14:21

Matthew 15

For out of the heart come evil thoughts, murder, adultery, sexual immorality, theft, false witness, slander. - Matthew 15:19

Matthew 16

Simon Peter replied, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God." - Matthew 16:16

Matthew 17

He was still speaking when, behold, a bright cloud overshadowed them, and a voice from the cloud said, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him." - Matthew 17:5

Matthew 18

Whoever humbles himself like this child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven. - Matthew 18:4

Old Testament Reading**Genesis 14**

18 And Melchizedek king of Salem brought out bread and wine. (He was priest of God Most High.)
19 And he blessed him and said, "Blessed be Abram by God Most High, Possessor of heaven and earth;
20 and blessed be God Most High, who has delivered your enemies into your hand!" And Abram gave him a tenth of everything. - Genesis 14:18-20

Genesis 15

And he believed the LORD, and he counted it to him as righteousness. - Genesis 15:6

Genesis 16

And Hagar bore Abram a son, and Abram called the name of his son, whom Hagar bore, Ishmael. - Genesis 16:15

Genesis 17

And I will establish my covenant between me and you and your offspring after you throughout their generations for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you. - Genesis 17:7

Genesis 18

And I will establish my covenant between me and you and your offspring after you throughout their generations for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you. seeing that Abraham shall surely become a great and mighty nation, and all the nations of the earth shall be blessed in him? For I have chosen him, that he may command his children and his household after him to keep the way of the LORD by doing righteousness and justice, so that the LORD may bring to Abraham what he has promised him." - Genesis 18:17-19

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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