

## Daily Walk With God

### Week 35

#### Week 35 Day 1

**Readings:** Luke 17:20-37; 1 Thessalonians 4:9-18; Psalm 51; Proverbs 13:1-6; Jeremiah 13-14.

**Focus Verse:** "Create in me a clean heart, O God, And renew a steadfast spirit within me." (Psalm 51:10)

**Key Concept:** False Prophets Offer Comfort to the Condemned (Jeremiah 14:13-16). Jeremiah was at war to save his nation. Judah was speeding toward its own ruin, and preachers were proclaiming conflicting doctrines. Jeremiah spoke truth. He told the people of the destruction that approached because of their persistent sin. Many others spoke lies. They assured the people that no such terrors would appear. They told them that God was pleased with their course and would not punish them. They lied. Jeremiah was right. God did destroy the unfaithful nation in that generation. Unfortunately, many preachers today imitate these false prophets. We need men of the integrity of Jeremiah!

**Action:** Test the teachers. Reject the words of false prophets who condone and encourage sin.

#### Week 35 Day 2

**Readings:** Luke 18:1-8; 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11; Psalm 52; Proverbs 13:7-12; Jeremiah 15-16.

**Focus Verse:** "Therefore comfort each other and edify one another, just as you also are doing." (1 Thessalonians 5:11)

**Key Concept:** "As a Thief in the Night" (1 Thessalonians 5:1-11). The return of Christ will be sudden and without warning. Paul instructs us, therefore, to be prepared all the time. Our lives are not to be filled with works of darkness. Instead, we are to walk in the light so we can face the Lord without fear. The return of Christ will be a day of gloom for the unrighteous, and a day of glory for the faithful.

**Action:** "Therefore let us not sleep, as others do, but let us watch and be sober." (1 Thessalonians 5:6)

#### Week 35 Day 3

**Readings:** Luke 18:9-17; 1 Thessalonians 5:12-28; Psalm 53; Proverbs 13:13-19; Jeremiah 17-18.

**Focus Verse:** "Blessed is the man who trusts in the Lord, and whose hope is the Lord." (Jeremiah 17:7)

**Key Concept:** Nations of Clay in the Potter's Hand (Jeremiah 18:1-11). In appealing to Judah to repent, God allows us to understand His control of the fate of nations. Two points are especially clear: (1) God determines whether nations will rise or fall, and (2) The outcome can be changed if the conduct of the nation changes. What shall we learn? See Proverbs 14:34.

**Action:** Obey God. Your obedience is crucial in saving yourself and even in saving entire nations from destruction!

#### Week 35 Day 4

**Readings:** Luke 18:18-30; 2 Thessalonians 1; Psalm 54; Proverbs 13:20-25; Jeremiah 19-20.

**Focus Verse:** "Hear my prayer, O God; Give ear to the words of my mouth." (Psalm 54:2)

**Key Concept:** Fire in His Bones (Jeremiah 20:7-11). Jeremiah was struggling under the weight of his prophetic burden. He had proclaimed truth, but it resulted in personal peril. Jeremiah reacted as many today do--he decided it was too hard. He quit teaching God's word (vv. 7-9). But he couldn't remain silent. The word had to get out, so he spoke again, knowing that it would be difficult. He put his trust in the mighty, awesome God, and got back to work.

**Action:** Don't hold back. Share the gospel with the world.

### **Week 35 Day 5**

**Readings:** Luke 18:31-43; 2 Thessalonians 2:1-12; Psalm 55; Proverbs 14:1-8; Jeremiah 21-22.

**Focus Verse:** "Cast your burden on the Lord, And He shall sustain you; He shall never permit the righteous to be moved." (Psalm 55:22)

**Key Concept:** "Receive the Love of the Truth" (2 Thessalonians 2:9-12). Satan works diligently to deceive and many fall prey to his schemes. These verses remind us of essential safeguards against his deceptions. (1) We must believe the truth (v. 12). (2) We must love the truth (v. 10). Such love will move us to study with respect for God and determination to learn His will. True love will motivate us to put the knowledge into action.

**Action:** Cultivate your love for the truth.

### **Week 35 Day 6**

**Readings:** Luke 19:1-10; 2 Thessalonians 2:13-17; Psalm 56; Proverbs 14:9-14; Jeremiah 23.

**Focus Verse:** "Therefore, brethren, stand fast and hold the traditions which you were taught, whether by word or our epistle." (2 Thessalonians 2:15)

**Key Concept:** "They Also Strengthen the Hands of Evildoers" (Jeremiah 23:14). Jeremiah was not the only preacher in Judah in his generation. There were many who denied his message of the impending doom of the unrighteous nation. They predicted peace, assuring the wicked that God was pleased with their conduct. Such preaching gave the people false security, and hastened their condemnation. We need to learn this lesson in our generation!

**Action:** Tell others the truth while there is time to repent.

### **Week 35 Day 7**

**Readings:** Luke 19:11-27; 2 Thessalonians 3; Psalm 57; Proverbs 14:15-21; Jeremiah 24-25.

**Focus Verse:** "Now may the Lord direct your hearts into the love of God and into the patience of Christ." (2 Thessalonians 3:5)

**Key Concept:** Pray That the Gospel May Have Free Course (2 Thessalonians 3:1). Paul's request for prayers is just as appropriate today. Opportunities abound throughout this world. National boundaries and alliances have changed dramatically in the past few years, allowing freer access to many people of the world. Christians have prayed for such opportunities, now we must pray for the courage and faith to use them.

**Action:** Pray for each Christian you know outside your home country. Pray that others will share in the work of taking the gospel to the world.