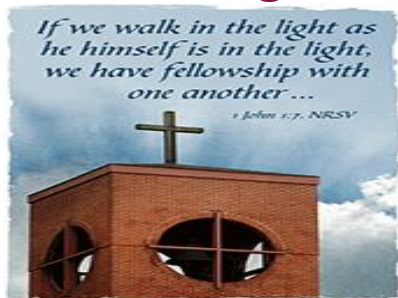


Bible Reading Guide



May 2021

Saturday, May 1

- 1 Samuel 3, 4
- Psalm 119:17-24
- Mark 7:1-23

“The relevance of the church of the Apostles consisted not in the provision of outward peace for the nations, nor in the direct removal of social distress . . . but in pointing to the death of Jesus the Messiah, and to the deeper issues of sin and judgement . . . under which the Christians stood together with the rest of mankind.”

(Michael Ramsey, *The Gospel and the Catholic Church*, 4.)

Sunday, May 2

- 1 Samuel 5, 6
- Psalm 119:25-32
- Mark 7:24-37

Monday, May 3

- 1 Samuel 7, 8
- Psalm 119:33-40
- Mark 8:1-21

Tuesday, May 4

- 1 Samuel 9, 10
- Psalm 119:41-48
- Mark 8:22-38

Wednesday, May 5

- 1 Samuel 11, 12
- Psalm 119:49-64
- Mark 9:1-29

Thursday, May 6

- 1 Samuel 13, 14
- Psalm 119:65-72
- Mark 9:30-50

Friday, May 7

- 1 Samuel 15, 16
- Psalm 119:73-80
- Mark 10:1-31

Saturday, May 8

- 1 Samuel 17, 18
- Psalm 119: 81-88
- Mark 10:32-52

“The Christians will not try to answer the philanthropist and the reformer by meeting them on their own terms and hiding the scandalous gospel. Philanthropies (and reforms) point to the conditions of people's lives, the church points to the deeper problem of humanity itself.”

(Ramsey, *The Gospel and the Church*, 5.)

Sunday, May 9

- 1 Samuel 19, 20
- Psalm 119: 89-96
- Mark 11:1-11

Monday, May 10

- 1 Samuel 21, 22
- Psalm 119: 97-104
- Mark 11:12-33

Tuesday, May 11

- 1 Samuel 23, 24
- Psalm 119: 105-112
- Mark 12:1-27

Wednesday, May 12

- 1 Samuel 25, 26
- Psalm 119: 113-120
- Mark 12:28-44

Thursday, May 13

- 1 Samuel 27, 28
- Psalm 119: 121-128
- Mark 13:1-19

Friday, May 1

- 1 Samuel 29, 30
- Psalm 119: 129-136
- Mark 13:20-37

Saturday, May 15

- 1 Samuel 31, 2 Sam 1
- Psalm 119: 137-144
- Mark 14:1-26

“The Church exists for something deeper than philanthropy and reform, namely to teach men to die to self and to trust in a resurrection to a new life which, because it spans both this world and another world, can never be wholly understood here, and must always puzzle this world's idealists.”

(Ramsey, *The Gospel and the Church*, 8-9.)

Sunday, May 16

- 2 Samuel 2, 3
- Psalm 119: 145-152
- Mark 14:27-52

Monday, May 17

- 2 Samuel 4, 5
- Psalm 119: 153-160
- Mark 14:53-72

Tuesday, May 18

- 2 Samuel 6, 7
- Psalm 119: 161-168
- Mark 15:1-20

Wednesday, May 19

- 2 Samuel 8, 9
- Psalm 119:169-176
- Mark 15:21-47

Thursday, May 20

- 2 Samuel 10, 11
- Psalm 120
- Mark 16:1-20

Friday, May 21

- 2 Samuel 12, 13
- Psalm 121
- 1 Peter 1

Saturday, May 22

- 2 Samuel 14, 15
- Psalm 122
- 1 Peter 2

“The death of the Lord means also the laying down of the self and the abandonment of all its claims. Throughout His life His will is wholly submitted to the Father's will, and He lives and dies not as pleasing Himself but as losing His will and His whole being in the Father and in mankind. His selfhood is so laid down, that His power and authority center in His humiliation.”

(Ramsey, *The Gospel and the Church*, 23-24.)

Sunday, May 23

- 2 Samuel 16, 17
- Psalm 123
- 1 Peter 3

Monday, May 24

- 2 Samuel 18, 19
- Psalm 124
- 1 Peter 4

Tuesday, May 25

- 2 Samuel 20, 21
- Psalm 125
- 1 Peter 5

Wednesday, May 26

- 1 Samuel 22, 23
- Psalm 126
- 2 Peter 1

Thursday, May 27

- 1 Samuel 24, 1 Kings 1
- Psalm 127
- 2 Peter 2

Friday, May 28

- 1 Kings 2, 3
- Psalm 128
- 2 Peter 3

Saturday, May 29

- 1 Kings 4, 5
- Psalm 129
- 1 Corinthians 1:1-17

“One died for all, therefore all died. To say this is to describe the Church of God. . . . But this event, born in eternity and uttering the voice of God from another world, pierces deeply into our order of time, so that the death and resurrection of Christ were known not only as something “without” but also something “within” the disciples who believed. This is the meaning of the church.”

(Ramsey, *The Gospel and the Church*, 27, 28.)

Sunday, May 30

- 1 Kings 6, 7
- Psalm 130
- 1 Corinthians 1:18-2:5

Monday, May 31

- 1 Kings 8, 9
- Psalm 131
- 1 Corinthians 2:6-16

VERSE OF THE MONTH

“In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, in accordance with the riches of God's grace⁸ that he lavished on us with all wisdom and understanding.”

Ephesians 1:7, 8