

## WEEK ONE SCRIPTURES

Ps 139:15\_16

15 My frame was not hidden from you when I was made in the secret place. When I was woven together in the depths of the earth,

16 your eyes saw my unformed body. All the days ordained for me were written in your book before one of them came to be.

(NIV)

Prov 16:9

9 In his heart a man plans his course, but the LORD determines his steps.

(NIV)

James 4:13\_17

13 Now listen, you who say, "Today or tomorrow we will go to this or that city, spend a year there, carry on business and make money."

14 Why, you do not even know what will happen tomorrow. What is your life? You are a mist that appears for a little while and then vanishes.

15 Instead, you ought to say, "If it is the Lord's will, we will live and do this or that."

16 As it is, you boast and brag. All such boasting is evil.

17 Anyone, then, who knows the good he ought to do and doesn't do it, sins.

(NIV)

Luke 10:40\_42

40 But Martha was distracted by all the preparations that had to be made. She came to him and asked, "Lord, don't you care that my sister has left me to do the work by myself? Tell her to help me!"

41 "Martha, Martha," the Lord answered, "you are worried and upset about many things,

42 but only one thing is needed. Mary has chosen what is better, and it will not be taken away from her."

(NIV)

## WEEK 2 SCRIPTURES

Matt 6:19\_20

19 "Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy, and where thieves break in and steal.

20 But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where moth and rust do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal.

(NIV)

Prov 16:9

9 In his heart a man plans his course, but the LORD determines his steps.

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Jer 10:23

23 I know, O LORD, that a man's life is not his own; it is not for man to direct his steps.

(NIV)

Jer 29:11

11 For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.

(NIV)

Eph 2:10

10 For we are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.

(NIV)

Ps 84:11\_12

11 For the LORD God is a sun and shield; the LORD bestows favor and honor; no good thing does he withhold from those whose walk is blameless.

12 O LORD Almighty, blessed is the man who trusts in you.

(NIV)

Ps 1:1\_6

1 Blessed is the man who does not walk in the counsel of the wicked or stand in the way of sinners or sit in the seat of mockers.

2 But his delight is in the law of the LORD, and on his law he meditates day and night.

3 He is like a tree planted by streams of water, which yields its fruit in season and whose leaf does not wither. Whatever he does prospers.

4 Not so the wicked! They are like chaff that the wind blows away.

5 Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the assembly of the righteous.

6 For the LORD watches over the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked will perish.

(NIV)

Prov 3:5\_6

5 Trust in the LORD with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding;  
6 in all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make your paths straight.  
(NIV)

1 Cor 10:13

13 No temptation has seized you except what is common to man. And God is faithful; he will not let you be tempted beyond what you can bear. But when you are tempted, he will also provide a way out so that you can stand up under it.  
(NIV)

1 Cor 15:33

33 Do not be misled: "Bad company corrupts good character."  
(NIV)

Ps 1:2

2 But his delight is in the law of the LORD, and on his law he meditates day and night.  
(NIV)

Ps 106:7\_8

7 When our fathers were in Egypt, they gave no thought to your miracles; they did not remember your many kindnesses, and they rebelled by the sea, the Red Sea.

8 Yet he saved them for his name's sake, to make his mighty power known.  
(NIV)

Ps 106:12\_14

12 Then they believed his promises and sang his praise.

13 But they soon forgot what he had done and did not wait for his counsel.

14 In the desert they gave in to their craving; in the wasteland they put God to the test.  
(NIV)

Ps 106:39

39 They defiled themselves by what they did; by their deeds they prostituted themselves.  
(NIV)

Ps 106:43\_45

43 Many times he delivered them, but they were bent on rebellion and they wasted away in their sin.

44 But he took note of their distress when he heard their cry;

45 for their sake he remembered his covenant and out of his great love he relented.  
(NIV)

1 Cor 10:23

23 "Everything is permissible"\_\_ but not everything is beneficial. "Everything is permissible"\_\_ but not everything is constructive.  
(NIV)

1 Cor 10:31

31 So whether you eat or drink or whatever you do, do it all for the glory of God.  
(NIV)

2 Cor 3:17\_18

17 Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom.

18 And we, who with unveiled faces all reflect the Lord's glory, are being transformed into his likeness with ever\_increasing glory, which comes from the Lord, who is the Spirit.  
(NIV)

Phil 1:6

6 being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus.  
(NIV)

Job 42:2

2 "I know that you can do all things; no plan of yours can be thwarted.  
(NIV)

Ps 21:1\_2

1 O LORD, the king rejoices in your strength. How great is his joy in the victories you give!

2 You have granted him the desire of his heart and have not withheld the request of his lips.

Selah

(NIV)

Ps 91:9\_16

9 If you make the Most High your dwelling\_\_ even the LORD, who is my refuge\_\_  
10 then no harm will befall you, no disaster will come near your tent.

11 For he will command his angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways;

12 they will lift you up in their hands, so that you will not strike your foot against a stone.

13 You will tread upon the lion and the cobra; you will trample the great lion and the serpent.

14 "Because he loves me," says the LORD, "I will rescue him; I will protect him, for he acknowledges my name.

15 He will call upon me, and I will answer him; I will be with him in trouble, I will deliver him and honor him.

16 With long life will I satisfy him and show him my salvation."  
(NIV)

Ps 135:5\_6

5 I know that the LORD is great, that our Lord is greater than all gods.

6 The LORD does whatever pleases him, in the heavens and on the earth, in the seas and all their depths.

(NIV)

Ps 106:13\_15

13 But they soon forgot what he had done and did not wait for his counsel.

14 In the desert they gave in to their craving; in the wasteland they put God to the test.

15 So he gave them what they asked for, but sent a wasting disease upon them.

(NIV)

Ps 32:8\_10

8 I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go; I will counsel you and watch over you.

9 Do not be like the horse or the mule, which have no understanding but must be controlled by bit and bridle or they will not come to you.

10 Many are the woes of the wicked, but the LORD's unfailing love surrounds the man who trusts in him.

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Gen 50:19\_20

19 But Joseph said to them, "Don't be afraid. Am I in the place of God?"

20 You intended to harm me, but God intended it for good to accomplish what is now being done, the saving of many lives.

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IKing 19:1\_18

1 Now Ahab told Jezebel everything Elijah had done and how he had killed all the prophets with the sword.

2 So Jezebel sent a messenger to Elijah to say, "May the gods deal with me, be it ever so severely, if by this time tomorrow I do not make your life like that of one of them."

3 Elijah was afraid and ran for his life. When he came to Beersheba in Judah, he left his servant there,

4 while he himself went a day's journey into the desert. He came to a broom tree, sat down under it and prayed that he might die. "I have had enough, LORD," he said. "Take my life; I am no better than my ancestors."

5 Then he lay down under the tree and fell asleep. All at once an angel touched him and said, "Get up and eat."

6 He looked around, and there by his head was a cake of bread baked over hot coals, and a jar of water. He ate and drank and then lay down again.

7 The angel of the LORD came back a second time and touched him and said, "Get up and eat, for the journey is too much for you."

8 So he got up and ate and drank. Strengthened by that food, he traveled forty days and forty nights until he reached Horeb, the mountain of God.

9 There he went into a cave and spent the night. And the word of the LORD came to him: "What are you doing here, Elijah?"

10 He replied, "I have been very zealous for the LORD God Almighty. The Israelites have rejected your covenant, broken down your altars, and put your prophets to death with the sword. I am the only one left, and now they are trying to kill me too."

11 The LORD said, "Go out and stand on the mountain in the presence of the LORD, for the LORD is about to pass by." Then a great and powerful wind tore the mountains apart and shattered the rocks before the LORD, but the LORD was not in the wind. After the wind there was an earthquake, but the LORD was not in the earthquake.

12 After the earthquake came a fire, but the LORD was not in the fire. And after the fire came a gentle whisper.

13 When Elijah heard it, he pulled his cloak over his face and went out and stood at the mouth of the cave. Then a voice said to him, "What are you doing here, Elijah?"

14 He replied, "I have been very zealous for the LORD God Almighty. The Israelites have rejected your covenant, broken down your altars, and put your prophets to death with the sword. I am the only one left, and now they are trying to kill me too."

15 The LORD said to him, "Go back the way you came, and go to the Desert of Damascus. When you get there, anoint Hazael king over Aram.

16 Also, anoint Jehu son of Nimshi king over Israel, and anoint Elisha son of Shaphat from Abel Meholah to succeed you as prophet.

17 Jehu will put to death any who escape the sword of Hazael, and Elisha will put to death any who escape the sword of Jehu.

18 Yet I reserve seven thousand in Israel\_\_ all whose knees have not bowed down to Baal and all whose mouths have not kissed him."

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Isa 14:24

24 The LORD Almighty has sworn, "Surely, as I have planned, so it will be, and as I have purposed, so it will stand.

(NIV)

Esth 4:14

14 For if you remain silent at this time, relief and deliverance for the Jews will arise from another place, but you and your father's family will perish. And who knows but that you have come to royal position for such a time as this?"

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Ps 75:6\_7

6 No one from the east or the west or from the desert can exalt a man.

7 But it is God who judges: He brings one down, he exalts another.

(NIV)

Isa 29:13\_16

13 The Lord says: "These people come near to me with their mouth and honor me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me. Their worship of me is made up only of rules taught by men.

14 Therefore once more I will astound these people with wonder upon wonder; the wisdom of the wise will perish, the intelligence of the intelligent will vanish."

15 Woe to those who go to great depths to hide their plans from the LORD, who do their work in darkness and think, "Who sees us? Who will know?"

16 You turn things upside down, as if the potter were thought to be like the clay! Shall what is formed say to him who formed it, "He did not make me"? Can the pot say of the potter, "He knows nothing"?

(NIV)

Dan 4:17

17 "The decision is announced by messengers, the holy ones declare the verdict, so that the living may know that the Most High is sovereign over the kingdoms of men and gives them to anyone he wishes and sets over them the lowliest of men.'

(NIV)

Rom 8:28

28 And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose.

(NIV)

## WEEK 3 SCRIPTURES

Ps 16:7\_8

7 I will praise the LORD, who counsels me; even at night my heart instructs me.

8 I have set the LORD always before me. Because he is at my right hand, I will not be shaken.

(NIV)

Ps 16:11

11 You have made known to me the path of life; you will fill me with joy in your presence, with eternal pleasures at your right hand.

(NIV)

Ps 86:11

11 Teach me your way, O LORD, and I will walk in your truth; give me an undivided heart, that I may fear your name.

(NIV)

Ps 84:11\_12

11 For the LORD God is a sun and shield; the LORD bestows favor and honor; no good thing does he withhold from those whose walk is blameless.

12 O LORD Almighty, blessed is the man who trusts in you.

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Ps 103:2\_5

2 Praise the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits\_\_

3 who forgives all your sins and heals all your diseases,

4 who redeems your life from the pit and crowns you with love and compassion,

5 who satisfies your desires with good things so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.

(NIV)

Ps 103:8\_12

8 The LORD is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger, abounding in love.

9 He will not always accuse, nor will he harbor his anger forever;

10 he does not treat us as our sins deserve or repay us according to our iniquities.

11 For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his love for those who fear him;

12 as far as the east is from the west, so far has he removed our transgressions from us.

(NIV)

Prov 3:5\_6

5 Trust in the LORD with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding;

6 in all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make your paths straight.

(NIV)

1 Sam 13:13\_14

13 "You acted foolishly," Samuel said. "You have not kept the command the LORD your God gave you; if you had, he would have established your kingdom over Israel for all time.

14 But now your kingdom will not endure; the LORD has sought out a man after his own heart and appointed him leader of his people, because you have not kept the LORD's command."  
(NIV)

Ps 89:30\_33

30 "If his sons forsake my law and do not follow my statutes,  
31 if they violate my decrees and fail to keep my commands,  
32 I will punish their sin with the rod, their iniquity with flogging;  
33 but I will not take my love from him, nor will I ever betray my faithfulness.

(NIV)

Prov 16:25

25 There is a way that seems right to a man, but in the end it leads to death.

(NIV)

Prov 14:8

8 The wisdom of the prudent is to give thought to their ways, but the folly of fools is deception.

(NIV)

Prov 14:15

15 A simple man believes anything, but a prudent man gives thought to his steps.

(NIV)

Matt 6:33\_34

33 But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.

34 Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own.

(NIV)

Luke 14:28\_30

28 "Suppose one of you wants to build a tower. Will he not first sit down and estimate the cost to see if he has enough money to complete it?

29 For if he lays the foundation and is not able to finish it, everyone who sees it will ridicule him,

30 saying, 'This fellow began to build and was not able to finish.'

(NIV)

Ps 119:105

105 Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light for my path.

(NIV)

Ps 119:130

130 The unfolding of your words gives light; it gives understanding to the simple.

(NIV)

2 Tim 3:16\_17

16 All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness,

17 so that the man of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.

(NIV)

Prov 14:12

12 There is a way that seems right to a man, but in the end it leads to death.

(NIV)

Prov 16:2\_3

2 All a man's ways seem innocent to him, but motives are weighed by the LORD.

3 Commit to the LORD whatever you do, and your plans will succeed.

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1 Chr 29:11\_12

11 Yours, O LORD, is the greatness and the power and the glory and the majesty and the splendor, for everything in heaven and earth is yours. Yours, O LORD, is the kingdom; you are exalted as head over all.

12 Wealth and honor come from you; you are the ruler of all things. In your hands are strength and power to exalt and give strength to all.

(NIV)

Ps 50:10

10 for every animal of the forest is mine, and the cattle on a thousand hills.

(NIV)

Ps 90:10

10 The length of our days is seventy years\_\_ or eighty, if we have the strength; yet their span is but trouble and sorrow, for they quickly pass, and we fly away.

(NIV)

Ps 90:12

12 Teach us to number our days aright, that we may gain a heart of wisdom.

(NIV)

Rom 13:1

1 Everyone must submit himself to the governing authorities, for there is no authority except that which God has established. The authorities that exist have been established by God.

(NIV)

1 Cor 6:6\_7

6 But instead, one brother goes to law against another\_\_ and this in front of unbelievers!

7 The very fact that you have lawsuits among you means you have been completely defeated already. Why not rather be wronged? Why not rather be cheated?

(NIV)

Eph 5:22\_6:1

22 Wives, submit to your husbands as to the Lord.

23 For the husband is the head of the wife as Christ is the head of the church, his body, of which he is the Savior.

24 Now as the church submits to Christ, so also wives should submit to their husbands in everything.

25 Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her

26 to make her holy, cleansing her by the washing with water through the word,

27 and to present her to himself as a radiant church, without stain or wrinkle or any other blemish, but holy and blameless.

28 In this same way, husbands ought to love their wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself.

29 After all, no one ever hated his own body, but he feeds and cares for it, just as Christ does the church\_\_

30 for we are members of his body.

31 "For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and the two will become one flesh."

32 This is a profound mystery\_\_ but I am talking about Christ and the church.

33 However, each one of you also must love his wife as he loves himself, and the wife must respect her husband.

## CHAPTER 6

1 Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right.

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Phil 4:11\_13

11 I am not saying this because I am in need, for I have learned to be content whatever the circumstances.

12 I know what it is to be in need, and I know what it is to have plenty. I have learned the secret of being content in any and every situation, whether well fed or hungry, whether living in plenty or in want.

13 I can do everything through him who gives me strength.

(NIV)

Phil 4:19

19 And my God will meet all your needs according to his glorious riches in Christ Jesus.

(NIV)

Ps 139:1\_3

- 1 O LORD, you have searched me and you know me.
  - 2 You know when I sit and when I rise; you perceive my thoughts from afar.
  - 3 You discern my going out and my lying down; you are familiar with all my ways.
- (NIV)

Heb 4:13

- 13 Nothing in all creation is hidden from God's sight Everything is uncovered and laid bare before the eyes of him to whom we must give account.
- (NIV)

1 Tim 6:6\_8

- 6 But godliness with contentment is great gain.
  - 7 For we brought nothing into the world, and we can take nothing out of it.
  - 8 But if we have food and clothing, we will be content with that.
- (NIV)

1 Sam 15:3

- 3 Now go, attack the Amalekites and totally destroy everything that belongs to them. Do not spare them; put to death men and women, children and infants, cattle and sheep, camels and donkeys."
- (NIV)

1 Sam 15:9

- 9 But Saul and the army spared Agag and the best of the sheep and cattle, the fat calves and lambs\_\_ everything that was good. These they were unwilling to destroy completely, but everything that was despised and weak they totally destroyed.
- (NIV)

1 Sam 15:22\_26

- 22 But Samuel replied: "Does the LORD delight in burnt offerings and sacrifices as much as in obeying the voice of the LORD? To obey is better than sacrifice, and to heed is better than the fat of rams.
- 23 For rebellion is like the sin of divination, and arrogance like the evil of idolatry. Because you have rejected the word of the LORD, he has rejected you as king."
- 24 Then Saul said to Samuel, "I have sinned. I violated the LORD's command and your instructions. I was afraid of the people and so I gave in to them.
- 25 Now I beg you, forgive my sin and come back with me, so that I may worship the LORD."
- 26 But Samuel said to him, "I will not go back with you. You have rejected the word of the LORD, and the LORD has rejected you as king over Israel!"
- (NIV)

1 Sam 16:7

7 But the LORD said to Samuel, "Do not consider his appearance or his height, for I have rejected him. The LORD does not look at the things man looks at. Man looks at the outward appearance, but the LORD looks at the heart." (NIV)

Rom 14:12

12 So then, each of us will give an account of himself to God.  
(NIV)

Rom 14:22

22 So whatever you believe about these things keep between yourself and God. Blessed is the man who does not condemn himself by what he approves.  
(NIV)

Rom 14:22\_23

22 So whatever you believe about these things keep between yourself and God. Blessed is the man who does not condemn himself by what he approves.

23 But the man who has doubts is condemned if he eats, because his eating is not from faith; and everything that does not come from faith is sin.  
(NIV)

## WEEK 4 SCRIPTURES

Prov 16:2\_3

2 All a man's ways seem innocent to him, but motives are weighed by the LORD.

3 Commit to the LORD whatever you do, and your plans will succeed.

(NIV)

Prov 16:21

21 The wise in heart are called discerning, and pleasant words promote instruction.

(NIV)

Deut 23:21

21 If you make a vow to the LORD your God, do not be slow to pay it, for the LORD your God will certainly demand it of you and you will be guilty of sin.

(NIV)

Matt 5:37

37 Simply let your 'Yes' be 'Yes,' and your 'No,' 'No'; anything beyond this comes from the evil one.

(NIV)

Eccl 5:4\_5

4 When you make a vow to God, do not delay in fulfilling it. He has no pleasure in fools; fulfill your vow.

5 It is better not to vow than to make a vow and not fulfill it.

(NIV)

Luke 16:10

10 "Whoever can be trusted with very little can also be trusted with much, and whoever is dishonest with very little will also be dishonest with much.

(NIV)

Eccl 3:1\_8

1 There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under heaven:

2 a time to be born and a time to die, a time to plant and a time to uproot,

3 a time to kill and a time to heal, a time to tear down and a time to build,

4 a time to weep and a time to laugh, a time to mourn and a time to dance,

5 a time to scatter stones and a time to gather them, a time to embrace and a time to refrain,

6 a time to search and a time to give up, a time to keep and a time to throw away,

7 a time to tear and a time to mend, a time to be silent and a time to speak,

8 a time to love and a time to hate, a time for war and a time for peace.

(NIV)

Ps 90:12

12 Teach us to number our days aright, that we may gain a heart of wisdom.  
(NIV)

Ps 90:10

10 The length of our days is seventy years\_\_ or eighty, if we have the strength; yet their span is but trouble and sorrow, for they quickly pass, and we fly away.  
(NIV)

## SCRIPTURES WEEK 5

John 14:21

21 Whoever has my commands and obeys them, he is the one who loves me. He who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I too will love him and show myself to him."  
(NIV)

Mark 10:17\_30

17 As Jesus started on his way, a man ran up to him and fell on his knees before him. "Good teacher," he asked, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?"  
18 "Why do you call me good?" Jesus answered. "No one is good\_\_ except God alone.  
19 You know the commandments: 'Do not murder, do not commit adultery, do not steal, do not give false testimony, do not defraud, honor your father and mother.'"  
20 "Teacher," he declared, "all these I have kept since I was a boy."  
21 Jesus looked at him and loved him. "One thing you lack," he said. "Go, sell everything you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come, follow me."  
22 At this the man's face fell. He went away sad, because he had great wealth.  
23 Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How hard it is for the rich to enter the kingdom of God!"  
24 The disciples were amazed at his words. But Jesus said again, "Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God!  
25 It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God."  
26 The disciples were even more amazed, and said to each other, "Who then can be saved?"  
27 Jesus looked at them and said, "With man this is impossible, but not with God; all things are possible with God."  
28 Peter said to him, "We have left everything to follow you!"  
29 "I tell you the truth," Jesus replied, "no one who has left home or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields for me and the gospel  
30 will fail to receive a hundred times as much in this present age (homes, brothers, sisters, mothers, children and fields\_\_ and with them, persecutions) and in the age to come, eternal life."  
(NIV)

Lev 26:3\_9

3 "If you follow my decrees and are careful to obey my commands,  
4 I will send you rain in its season, and the ground will yield its crops and the trees of the field their fruit.  
5 Your threshing will continue until grape harvest and the grape harvest will continue until planting, and you will eat all the food you want and live in safety in your land.  
6 "I will grant peace in the land, and you will lie down and no one will make you afraid. I will remove savage beasts from the land, and the sword will not pass through your country.  
7 You will pursue your enemies, and they will fall by the sword before you.  
8 Five of you will chase a hundred, and a hundred of you will chase ten thousand, and your enemies will fall by the sword before you.

9 "I will look on you with favor and make you fruitful and increase your numbers, and I will keep my covenant with you.  
(NIV)

Deut 28:1\_14

1 If you fully obey the LORD your God and carefully follow all his commands I give you today, the LORD your God will set you high above all the nations on earth.

2 All these blessings will come upon you and accompany you if you obey the LORD your God:

3 You will be blessed in the city and blessed in the country.

4 The fruit of your womb will be blessed, and the crops of your land and the young of your livestock\_\_ the calves of your herds and the lambs of your flocks.

5 Your basket and your kneading trough will be blessed.

6 You will be blessed when you come in and blessed when you go out.

7 The LORD will grant that the enemies who rise up against you will be defeated before you. They will come at you from one direction but flee from you in seven.

8 The LORD will send a blessing on your barns and on everything you put your hand to. The LORD your God will bless you in the land he is giving you.

9 The LORD will establish you as his holy people, as he promised you on oath, if you keep the commands of the LORD your God and walk in his ways.

10 Then all the peoples on earth will see that you are called by the name of the LORD, and they will fear you.

11 The LORD will grant you abundant prosperity\_\_ in the fruit of your womb, the young of your livestock and the crops of your ground\_\_ in the land he swore to your forefathers to give you.

12 The LORD will open the heavens, the storehouse of his bounty, to send rain on your land in season and to bless all the work of your hands. You will lend to many nations but will borrow from none.

13 The LORD will make you the head, not the tail. If you pay attention to the commands of the LORD your God that I give you this day and carefully follow them, you will always be at the top, never at the bottom.

14 Do not turn aside from any of the commands I give you today, to the right or to the left, following other gods and serving them.

(NIV)

Deut 30:15\_20

15 See, I set before you today life and prosperity, death and destruction.

16 For I command you today to love the LORD your God, to walk in his ways, and to keep his commands, decrees and laws; then you will live and increase, and the LORD your God will bless you in the land you are entering to possess.

17 But if your heart turns away and you are not obedient, and if you are drawn away to bow down to other gods and worship them,

18 I declare to you this day that you will certainly be destroyed. You will not live long in the land you are crossing the Jordan to enter and possess.

19 This day I call heaven and earth as witnesses against you that I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses. Now choose life, so that you and your children may live

20 and that you may love the LORD your God, listen to his voice, and hold fast to him. For the LORD is your life, and he will give you many years in the land he swore to give to your fathers, Abraham, Isaac and Jacob.

(NIV)

Ps 112:1\_9

1 Praise the LORD. Blessed is the man who fears the LORD, who finds great delight in his commands.

2 His children will be mighty in the land; the generation of the upright will be blessed.

3 Wealth and riches are in his house, and his righteousness endures forever.

4 Even in darkness light dawns for the upright, for the gracious and compassionate and righteous man.

5 Good will come to him who is generous and lends freely, who conducts his affairs with justice.

6 Surely he will never be shaken; a righteous man will be remembered forever.

7 He will have no fear of bad news; his heart is steadfast, trusting in the LORD.

8 His heart is secure, he will have no fear; in the end he will look in triumph on his foes.

9 He has scattered abroad his gifts to the poor, his righteousness endures forever; his horn will be lifted high in honor.

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Isa 55:8\_9

8 "For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways," declares the LORD.

9 "As the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts.

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Matt 7:24\_27

24 "Therefore everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock.

25 The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house; yet it did not fall, because it had its foundation on the rock.

26 But everyone who hears these words of mine and does not put them into practice is like a foolish man who built his house on sand.

27 The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell with a great crash."

(NIV)

Jer 7:13\_15

13 While you were doing all these things, declares the LORD, I spoke to you again and again, but you did not listen; I called you, but you did not answer.

14 Therefore, what I did to Shiloh I will now do to the house that bears my Name, the temple you trust in, the place I gave to you and your fathers.

15 I will thrust you from my presence, just as I did all your brothers, the people of Ephraim.'

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Ps 119:129\_131

129 Your statutes are wonderful; therefore I obey them.

130 The unfolding of your words gives light; it gives understanding to the simple.

131 I open my mouth and pant, longing for your commands.

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Ps 119:105

105 Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light for my path.

(NIV)

Prov 16:7

7 When a man's ways are pleasing to the LORD, he makes even his enemies live at peace with him.

(NIV)

Isa 48:17\_18

17 This is what the LORD says\_\_ your Redeemer, the Holy One of Israel: "I am the LORD your God, who teaches you what is best for you, who directs you in the way you should go.

18 If only you had paid attention to my commands, your peace would have been like a river, your righteousness like the waves of the sea.

(NIV)

Jer 7:23

23 but I gave them this command: Obey me, and I will be your God and you will be my people. Walk in all the ways I command you, that it may go well with you.

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Matt 16:27

27 For the Son of Man is going to come in his Father's glory with his angels, and then he will reward each person according to what he has done.

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Rev 22:12\_16

12 "Behold, I am coming soon! My reward is with me, and I will give to everyone according to what he has done.

13 I am the Alpha and the Omega, the First and the Last, the Beginning and the End.

14 "Blessed are those who wash their robes, that they may have the right to the tree of life and may go through the gates into the city.

15 Outside are the dogs, those who practice magic arts, the sexually immoral, the murderers, the idolaters and everyone who loves and practices falsehood.

16 "I, Jesus, have sent my angel to give you this testimony for the churches. I am the Root and the Offspring of David, and the bright Morning Star."

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Heb 5:8

8 Although he was a son, he learned obedience from what he suffered  
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1 Pet 2:21\_24

21 To this you were called, because Christ suffered for you, leaving you an example, that you should follow in his steps.

22 "He committed no sin, and no deceit was found in his mouth."

23 When they hurled their insults at him, he did not retaliate; when he suffered, he made no threats. Instead, he entrusted himself to him who judges justly.

24 He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, so that we might die to sins and live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed.

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Ps 34:19

19 A righteous man may have many troubles, but the LORD delivers him from them all;  
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Gen 37:23\_28

23 So when Joseph came to his brothers, they stripped him of his robe\_\_ the richly ornamented robe he was wearing\_\_

24 and they took him and threw him into the cistern. Now the cistern was empty; there was no water in it.

25 As they sat down to eat their meal, they looked up and saw a caravan of Ishmaelites coming from Gilead. Their camels were loaded with spices, balm and myrrh, and they were on their way to take them down to Egypt.

26 Judah said to his brothers, "What will we gain if we kill our brother and cover up his blood?

27 Come, let's sell him to the Ishmaelites and not lay our hands on him; after all, he is our brother, our own flesh and blood." His brothers agreed.

28 So when the Midianite merchants came by, his brothers pulled Joseph up out of the cistern and sold him for twenty shekels of silver to the Ishmaelites, who took him to Egypt.

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Gen 39:20

20 Joseph's master took him and put him in prison, the place where the king's prisoners were confined. But while Joseph was there in the prison,

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Gen 40:23

23 The chief cupbearer, however, did not remember Joseph; he forgot him.

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Dan 3:19\_21

19 Then Nebuchadnezzar was furious with Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego, and his attitude toward them changed. He ordered the furnace heated seven times hotter than usual

20 and commanded some of the strongest soldiers in his army to tie up Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego and throw them into the blazing furnace.

21 So these men, wearing their robes, trousers, turbans and other clothes, were bound and thrown into the blazing furnace.

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Dan 6:16

16 So the king gave the order, and they brought Daniel and threw him into the lions' den.

The king said to Daniel, "May your God, whom you serve continually, rescue you!"

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2 Cor 6:3\_10

3 We put no stumbling block in anyone's path, so that our ministry will not be discredited.

4 Rather, as servants of God we commend ourselves in every way: in great endurance; in troubles, hardships and distresses;

5 in beatings, imprisonments and riots; in hard work, sleepless nights and hunger;

6 in purity, understanding, patience and kindness; in the Holy Spirit and in sincere love;

7 in truthful speech and in the power of God; with weapons of righteousness in the right hand and in the left;

8 through glory and dishonor, bad report and good report; genuine, yet regarded as impostors;

9 known, yet regarded as unknown; dying, and yet we live on; beaten, and yet not killed;

10 sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; poor, yet making many rich; having nothing, and yet possessing everything.

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2 Cor 11:23\_28

23 Are they servants of Christ? (I am out of my mind to talk like this.) I am more. I have worked much harder, been in prison more frequently, been flogged more severely, and been exposed to death again and again.

24 Five times I received from the Jews the forty lashes minus one.

25 Three times I was beaten with rods, once I was stoned, three times I was shipwrecked, I spent a night and a day in the open sea,

26 I have been constantly on the move. I have been in danger from rivers, in danger from bandits, in danger from my own countrymen, in danger from Gentiles; in danger in the city, in danger in the country, in danger at sea; and in danger from false brothers.

27 I have labored and toiled and have often gone without sleep; I have known hunger and thirst and have often gone without food; I have been cold and naked.

28 Besides everything else, I face daily the pressure of my concern for all the churches.

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1 Pet 4:12\_16

12 Dear friends, do not be surprised at the painful trial you are suffering, as though something strange were happening to you.

13 But rejoice that you participate in the sufferings of Christ, so that you may be overjoyed when his glory is revealed.

14 If you are insulted because of the name of Christ, you are blessed, for the Spirit of glory and of God rests on you.

15 If you suffer, it should not be as a murderer or thief or any other kind of criminal, or even as a meddler.

16 However, if you suffer as a Christian, do not be ashamed, but praise God that you bear that name.

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1 Pet 4:19

19 So then, those who suffer according to God's will should commit themselves to their faithful Creator and continue to do good.

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## SCRIPTURE WEEK 6

Isa 55:8

8 "For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways," declares the LORD.  
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Matt 22:37\_38

37 Jesus replied: "'Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.'

38 This is the first and greatest commandment.  
(NIV)

Luke 4:8

8 Jesus answered, "It is written: 'Worship the Lord your God and serve him only.'"  
(NIV)

Deut 6:4\_9

4 Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one.

5 Love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength.

6 These commandments that I give you today are to be upon your hearts.

7 Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up.

8 Tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads.

9 Write them on the doorframes of your houses and on your gates.  
(NIV)

Ps 119:11

11 I have hidden your word in my heart that I might not sin against you.  
(NIV)

Ps 122:1

1 I rejoiced with those who said to me, "Let us go to the house of the LORD."  
(NIV)

Acts 2:42\_47

42 They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer.

43 Everyone was filled with awe, and many wonders and miraculous signs were done by the apostles.

44 All the believers were together and had everything in common.

45 Selling their possessions and goods, they gave to anyone as he had need.

46 Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts,

47 praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved.  
(NIV)

Phil 4:6

6 Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God.  
(NIV)

1 Pet 3:15

15 But in your hearts set apart Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect,  
(NIV)

1 Pet 5:8

8 Be self-controlled and alert. Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour.  
(NIV)

I Jn 2:15\_17

15 Do not love the world or anything in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him.

16 For everything in the world\_\_ the cravings of sinful man, the lust of his eyes and the boasting of what he has and does\_\_ comes not from the Father but from the world.

17 The world and its desires pass away, but the man who does the will of God lives forever.  
(NIV)

2 Tim 3:16\_17

16 All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness,

17 so that the man of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.  
(NIV)

Josh 1:8

8 Do not let this Book of the Law depart from your mouth; meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do everything written in it. Then you will be prosperous and successful.

(NIV)

Ps 119:9\_11

9 How can a young man keep his way pure? By living according to your word.

10 I seek you with all my heart; do not let me stray from your commands.

11 I have hidden your word in my heart that I might not sin against you.

(NIV)

Ps 119:105

105 Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light for my path.  
(NIV)

Rev 1:3

3 Blessed is the one who reads the words of this prophecy, and blessed are those who hear it and take to heart what is written in it, because the time is near.  
(NIV)

Acts 17:11

11 Now the Bereans were of more noble character than the Thessalonians, for they received the message with great eagerness and examined the Scriptures every day to see if what Paul said was true.  
(NIV)

Ps 55:17

17 Evening, morning and noon I cry out in distress, and he hears my voice.  
(NIV)

Matt 14:23

23 After he had dismissed them, he went up on a mountainside by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone,  
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Matt 14:26

26 When the disciples saw him walking on the lake, they were terrified. "It's a ghost," they said, and cried out in fear.  
(NIV)

Matt 26:36

36 Then Jesus went with his disciples to a place called Gethsemane, and he said to them, "Sit here while I go over there and pray."  
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Mark 1:35

35 Very early in the morning, while it was still dark, Jesus got up, left the house and went off to a solitary place, where he prayed.  
(NIV)

Ps 5:3

3 In the morning, O LORD, you hear my voice; in the morning I lay my requests before you and wait in expectation.  
(NIV)

Matt 26:41

41 "Watch and pray so that you will not fall into temptation. The spirit is willing, but the body is weak."

(NIV)

Phil 4:6\_7

6 Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God.

7 And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

(NIV)

James 5:16

16 Therefore confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective.

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Acts 1:12\_14

12 Then they returned to Jerusalem from the hill called the Mount of Olives, a Sabbath day's walk from the city.

13 When they arrived, they went upstairs to the room where they were staying. Those present were Peter, John, James and Andrew; Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew; James son of Alphaeus and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James.

14 They all joined together constantly in prayer, along with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and with his brothers.

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Acts 4:23\_31

23 On their release, Peter and John went back to their own people and reported all that the chief priests and elders had said to them.

24 When they heard this, they raised their voices together in prayer to God. "Sovereign Lord," they said, "you made the heaven and the earth and the sea, and everything in them.

25 You spoke by the Holy Spirit through the mouth of your servant, our father David: "Why do the nations rage and the peoples plot in vain?

26 The kings of the earth take their stand and the rulers gather together against the Lord and against his Anointed One.'

27 Indeed Herod and Pontius Pilate met together with the Gentiles and the people of Israel in this city to conspire against your holy servant Jesus, whom you anointed.

28 They did what your power and will had decided beforehand should happen.

29 Now, Lord, consider their threats and enable your servants to speak your word with great boldness.

30 Stretch out your hand to heal and perform miraculous signs and wonders through the name of your holy servant Jesus."

31 After they prayed, the place where they were meeting was shaken. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and spoke the word of God boldly.

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Luke 4:16

16 He went to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, and on the Sabbath day he went into the synagogue, as was his custom. And he stood up to read.

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Heb 10:25

25 Let us not give up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but let us encourage one another\_\_ and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

(NIV)

Acts 2:42

42 They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer.

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1 Cor 11:23\_25

23 For I received from the Lord what I also passed on to you: The Lord Jesus, on the night he was betrayed, took bread,

24 and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of me."

25 In the same way, after supper he took the cup, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood; do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

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Col 3:16

16 Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom, and as you sing psalms, hymns and spiritual songs with gratitude in your hearts to God.

(NIV)

Matt 28:19\_20

19 Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,

20 and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.""

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Rom 1:16

16 I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is the power of God for the salvation of everyone who believes: first for the Jew, then for the Gentile.

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2 Tim 1:8

8 So do not be ashamed to testify about our Lord, or ashamed of me his prisoner. But join with me in suffering for the gospel, by the power of God,

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1 Pet 3:15\_16

15 But in your hearts set apart Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect,

16 keeping a clear conscience, so that those who speak maliciously against your good behavior in Christ may be ashamed of their slander.

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## WEEK 7 SCRIPTURE

Ps 5:3

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Josh 1:8

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(NIV)

Phil 4:6\_7

6 Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God.

7 And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

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Phil 4:9

9 Whatever you have learned or received or heard from me, or seen in me\_\_ put it into practice. And the God of peace will be with you.

(NIV)

Phil 4:12

12 I know what it is to be in need, and I know what it is to have plenty. I have learned the secret of being content in any and every situation, whether well fed or hungry, whether living in plenty or in want.

(NIV)

Phil 4:19

19 And my God will meet all your needs according to his glorious riches in Christ Jesus.

(NIV)

Deut 28:15\_68

15 However, if you do not obey the LORD your God and do not carefully follow all his commands and decrees I am giving you today, all these curses will come upon you and overtake you:

16 You will be cursed in the city and cursed in the country.

17 Your basket and your kneading trough will be cursed.

18 The fruit of your womb will be cursed, and the crops of your land, and the calves of your herds and the lambs of your flocks.

19 You will be cursed when you come in and cursed when you go out.

- 20 The LORD will send on you curses, confusion and rebuke in everything you put your hand to, until you are destroyed and come to sudden ruin because of the evil you have done in forsaking him.
- 21 The LORD will plague you with diseases until he has destroyed you from the land you are entering to possess.
- 22 The LORD will strike you with wasting disease, with fever and inflammation, with scorching heat and drought, with blight and mildew, which will plague you until you perish.
- 23 The sky over your head will be bronze, the ground beneath you iron.
- 24 The LORD will turn the rain of your country into dust and powder; it will come down from the skies until you are destroyed.
- 25 The LORD will cause you to be defeated before your enemies. You will come at them from one direction but flee from them in seven, and you will become a thing of horror to all the kingdoms on earth.
- 26 Your carcasses will be food for all the birds of the air and the beasts of the earth, and there will be no one to frighten them away.
- 27 The LORD will afflict you with the boils of Egypt and with tumors, festering sores and the itch, from which you cannot be cured.
- 28 The LORD will afflict you with madness, blindness and confusion of mind.
- 29 At midday you will grope about like a blind man in the dark. You will be unsuccessful in everything you do; day after day you will be oppressed and robbed, with no one to rescue you.
- 30 You will be pledged to be married to a woman, but another will take her and ravish her. You will build a house, but you will not live in it. You will plant a vineyard, but you will not even begin to enjoy its fruit.
- 31 Your ox will be slaughtered before your eyes, but you will eat none of it. Your donkey will be forcibly taken from you and will not be returned. Your sheep will be given to your enemies, and no one will rescue them.
- 32 Your sons and daughters will be given to another nation, and you will wear out your eyes watching for them day after day, powerless to lift a hand.
- 33 A people that you do not know will eat what your land and labor produce, and you will have nothing but cruel oppression all your days.
- 34 The sights you see will drive you mad.
- 35 The LORD will afflict your knees and legs with painful boils that cannot be cured, spreading from the soles of your feet to the top of your head.
- 36 The LORD will drive you and the king you set over you to a nation unknown to you or your fathers. There you will worship other gods, gods of wood and stone.
- 37 You will become a thing of horror and an object of scorn and ridicule to all the nations where the LORD will drive you.
- 38 You will sow much seed in the field but you will harvest little, because locusts will devour it.
- 39 You will plant vineyards and cultivate them but you will not drink the wine or gather the grapes, because worms will eat them.
- 40 You will have olive trees throughout your country but you will not use the oil, because the olives will drop off.
- 41 You will have sons and daughters but you will not keep them, because they will go into captivity.
- 42 Swarms of locusts will take over all your trees and the crops of your land.

43 The alien who lives among you will rise above you higher and higher, but you will sink lower and lower.

44 He will lend to you, but you will not lend to him. He will be the head, but you will be the tail.

45 All these curses will come upon you. They will pursue you and overtake you until you are destroyed, because you did not obey the LORD your God and observe the commands and decrees he gave you.

46 They will be a sign and a wonder to you and your descendants forever.

47 Because you did not serve the LORD your God joyfully and gladly in the time of prosperity,

48 therefore in hunger and thirst, in nakedness and dire poverty, you will serve the enemies the LORD sends against you. He will put an iron yoke on your neck until he has destroyed you.

49 The LORD will bring a nation against you from far away, from the ends of the earth, like an eagle swooping down, a nation whose language you will not understand,

50 a fierce-looking nation without respect for the old or pity for the young.

51 They will devour the young of your livestock and the crops of your land until you are destroyed. They will leave you no grain, new wine or oil, nor any calves of your herds or lambs of your flocks until you are ruined.

52 They will lay siege to all the cities throughout your land until the high fortified walls in which you trust fall down. They will besiege all the cities throughout the land the LORD your God is giving you.

53 Because of the suffering that your enemy will inflict on you during the siege, you will eat the fruit of the womb, the flesh of the sons and daughters the LORD your God has given you.

54 Even the most gentle and sensitive man among you will have no compassion on his own brother or the wife he loves or his surviving children,

55 and he will not give to one of them any of the flesh of his children that he is eating. It will be all he has left because of the suffering your enemy will inflict on you during the siege of all your cities.

56 The most gentle and sensitive woman among you\_\_ so sensitive and gentle that she would not venture to touch the ground with the sole of her foot\_\_ will begrudge the husband she loves and her own son or daughter

57 the afterbirth from her womb and the children she bears. For she intends to eat them secretly during the siege and in the distress that your enemy will inflict on you in your cities.

58 If you do not carefully follow all the words of this law, which are written in this book, and do not revere this glorious and awesome name\_\_ the LORD your God\_\_

59 the LORD will send fearful plagues on you and your descendants, harsh and prolonged disasters, and severe and lingering illnesses.

60 He will bring upon you all the diseases of Egypt that you dreaded, and they will cling to you.

61 The LORD will also bring on you every kind of sickness and disaster not recorded in this Book of the Law, until you are destroyed.

62 You who were as numerous as the stars in the sky will be left but few in number, because you did not obey the LORD your God.

63 Just as it pleased the LORD to make you prosper and increase in number, so it will please him to ruin and destroy you. You will be uprooted from the land you are entering to possess.

64 Then the LORD will scatter you among all nations, from one end of the earth to the other. There you will worship other gods\_\_ gods of wood and stone, which neither you nor your fathers have known.

65 Among those nations you will find no repose, no resting place for the sole of your foot. There the LORD will give you an anxious mind, eyes weary with longing, and a despairing heart.

66 You will live in constant suspense, filled with dread both night and day, never sure of your life.

67 In the morning you will say, "If only it were evening!" and in the evening, "If only it were morning!"\_\_ because of the terror that will fill your hearts and the sights that your eyes will see.

68 The LORD will send you back in ships to Egypt on a journey I said you should never make again. There you will offer yourselves for sale to your enemies as male and female slaves, but no one will buy you.

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Exod 20:5

5 You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I, the LORD your God, am a jealous God, punishing the children for the sin of the fathers to the third and fourth generation of those who hate me,

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Exod 34:6\_7

6 And he passed in front of Moses, proclaiming, "The LORD, the LORD, the compassionate and gracious God, slow to anger, abounding in love and faithfulness,

7 maintaining love to thousands, and forgiving wickedness, rebellion and sin. Yet he does not leave the guilty unpunished; he punishes the children and their children for the sin of the fathers to the third and fourth generation."

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Ps 139:1\_4

1 O LORD, you have searched me and you know me.

2 You know when I sit and when I rise; you perceive my thoughts from afar.

3 You discern my going out and my lying down; you are familiar with all my ways.

4 Before a word is on my tongue you know it completely, O LORD.

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Prov 13:20

20 He who walks with the wise grows wise, but a companion of fools suffers harm.

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1 Cor 6:16\_20

16 Do you not know that he who unites himself with a prostitute is one with her in body? For it is said, "The two will become one flesh."

17 But he who unites himself with the Lord is one with him in spirit.

18 Flee from sexual immorality. All other sins a man commits are outside his body, but he who sins sexually sins against his own body.

19 Do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit, who is in you, whom you have received from God? You are not your own;

20 you were bought at a price. Therefore honor God with your body.

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1 Cor 15:33

33 Do not be misled: "Bad company corrupts good character."

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2 Cor 6:14\_18

14 Do not be yoked together with unbelievers. For what do righteousness and wickedness have in common? Or what fellowship can light have with darkness?

15 What harmony is there between Christ and Belial? What does a believer have in common with an unbeliever?

16 What agreement is there between the temple of God and idols? For we are the temple of the living God. As God has said: "I will live with them and walk among them, and I will be their God, and they will be my people."

17 "Therefore come out from them and be separate, says the Lord. Touch no unclean thing, and I will receive you."

18 "I will be a Father to you, and you will be my sons and daughters, says the Lord Almighty."

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Luke 16:10

10 "Whoever can be trusted with very little can also be trusted with much, and whoever is dishonest with very little will also be dishonest with much.

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1 Sam 13:13\_14

13 "You acted foolishly," Samuel said. "You have not kept the command the LORD your God gave you; if you had, he would have established your kingdom over Israel for all time.

14 But now your kingdom will not endure; the LORD has sought out a man after his own heart and appointed him leader of his people, because you have not kept the LORD's command."

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Acts 5:3

3 Then Peter said, "Ananias, how is it that Satan has so filled your heart that you have lied to the Holy Spirit and have kept for yourself some of the money you received for the land?"

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Heb 3:7\_4:2

7 So, as the Holy Spirit says: "Today, if you hear his voice,

8 do not harden your hearts as you did in the rebellion, during the time of testing in the desert,

- 9 where your fathers tested and tried me and for forty years saw what I did.
- 10 That is why I was angry with that generation, and I said, 'Their hearts are always going astray, and they have not known my ways.'
- 11 So I declared on oath in my anger, 'They shall never enter my rest.'"
- 12 See to it, brothers, that none of you has a sinful, unbelieving heart that turns away from the living God.
- 13 But encourage one another daily, as long as it is called Today, so that none of you may be hardened by sin's deceitfulness.
- 14 We have come to share in Christ if we hold firmly till the end the confidence we had at first.
- 15 As has just been said: "Today, if you hear his voice, do not harden your hearts as you did in the rebellion."
- 16 Who were they who heard and rebelled? Were they not all those Moses led out of Egypt?
- 17 And with whom was he angry for forty years? Was it not with those who sinned, whose bodies fell in the desert?
- 18 And to whom did God swear that they would never enter his rest if not to those who disobeyed?
- 19 So we see that they were not able to enter, because of their unbelief.

#### CHAPTER 4

- 1 Therefore, since the promise of entering his rest still stands, let us be careful that none of you be found to have fallen short of it.
- 2 For we also have had the gospel preached to us, just as they did; but the message they heard was of no value to them, because those who heard did not combine it with faith.  
(NIV)

Isa 1:19\_20

- 19 If you are willing and obedient, you will eat the best from the land;
- 20 but if you resist and rebel, you will be devoured by the sword." For the mouth of the LORD has spoken.  
(NIV)

Ps 19:14

- 14 May the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be pleasing in your sight, O LORD, my Rock and my Redeemer.  
(NIV)

Prov 8:34

- 34 Blessed is the man who listens to me, watching daily at my doors, waiting at my doorway.  
(NIV)

Heb 5:11\_14

- 11 We have much to say about this, but it is hard to explain because you are slow to learn.

12 In fact, though by this time you ought to be teachers, you need someone to teach you the elementary truths of God's word all over again. You need milk, not solid food!

13 Anyone who lives on milk, being still an infant, is not acquainted with the teaching about righteousness.

14 But solid food is for the mature, who by constant use have trained themselves to distinguish good from evil.

(NIV)

Ezra 7:10

10 For Ezra had devoted himself to the study and observance of the Law of the LORD, and to teaching its decrees and laws in Israel.

(NIV)

2 Tim 2:15

15 Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a workman who does not need to be ashamed and who correctly handles the word of truth.

(NIV)

I Jn 2:3\_6

3 We know that we have come to know him if we obey his commands.

4 The man who says, "I know him," but does not do what he commands is a liar, and the truth is not in him.

5 But if anyone obeys his word, God's love is truly made complete in him. This is how we know we are in him:

6 Whoever claims to live in him must walk as Jesus did.

(NIV)

## WEEK 8 SCRIPTURE

Gen 1:27\_28

27 So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them.

28 God blessed them and said to them, "Be fruitful and increase in number; fill the earth and subdue it. Rule over the fish of the sea and the birds of the air and over every living creature that moves on the ground."

(NIV)

Gen 2:18

18 The LORD God said, "It is not good for the man to be alone. I will make a helper suitable for him."

(NIV)

Gen 2:20\_24

20 So the man gave names to all the livestock, the birds of the air and all the beasts of the field. But for Adam no suitable helper was found.

21 So the LORD God caused the man to fall into a deep sleep; and while he was sleeping, he took one of the man's ribs and closed up the place with flesh.

22 Then the LORD God made a woman from the rib he had taken out of the man, and he brought her to the man.

23 The man said, "This is now bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; she shall be called 'woman,' for she was taken out of man."

24 For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and they will become one flesh.

(NIV)

Matt 19:3\_6

3 Some Pharisees came to him to test him. They asked, "Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife for any and every reason?"

4 "Haven't you read," he replied, "that at the beginning the Creator 'made them male and female,'

5 and said, 'For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and the two will become one flesh'?"

6 So they are no longer two, but one. Therefore what God has joined together, let man not separate."

(NIV)

Eph 5:28\_32

28 In this same way, husbands ought to love their wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself.

29 After all, no one ever hated his own body, but he feeds and cares for it, just as Christ does the church\_\_

30 for we are members of his body.

31 "For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and the two will become one flesh."

32 This is a profound mystery\_\_ but I am talking about Christ and the church.

(NIV)

1 Tim 5:8

8 If anyone does not provide for his relatives, and especially for his immediate family, he has denied the faith and is worse than an unbeliever.

(NIV)

1 Cor 7:32\_35

32 I would like you to be free from concern. An unmarried man is concerned about the Lord's affairs\_\_ how he can please the Lord.

33 But a married man is concerned about the affairs of this world\_\_ how he can please his wife\_\_

34 and his interests are divided. An unmarried woman or virgin is concerned about the Lord's affairs: Her aim is to be devoted to the Lord in both body and spirit. But a married woman is concerned about the affairs of this world\_\_ how she can please her husband.

35 I am saying this for your own good, not to restrict you, but that you may live in a right way in undivided devotion to the Lord.

(NIV)

Matt 20:25\_28

25 Jesus called them together and said, "You know that the rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their high officials exercise authority over them.

26 Not so with you. Instead, whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant,

27 and whoever wants to be first must be your slave\_\_

28 just as the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."

(NIV)

1 Cor 11:3

3 Now I want you to realize that the head of every man is Christ, and the head of the woman is man, and the head of Christ is God.

(NIV)

Eph 5:21

21 Submit to one another out of reverence for Christ.

(NIV)

Eph 5:25\_28

25 Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her  
26 to make her holy, cleansing her by the washing with water through the word,  
27 and to present her to himself as a radiant church, without stain or wrinkle or any other blemish, but holy and blameless.

28 In this same way, husbands ought to love their wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself.

(NIV)

Phil 2:3\_8

3 Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit, but in humility consider others better than yourselves.

4 Each of you should look not only to your own interests, but also to the interests of others.

5 Your attitude should be the same as that of Christ Jesus:

6 Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be grasped,

7 but made himself nothing, taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness.

8 And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself and became obedient to death— even death on a cross!

(NIV)

Col 3:19

19 Husbands, love your wives and do not be harsh with them.

(NIV)

1 Pet 3:7

7 Husbands, in the same way be considerate as you live with your wives, and treat them with respect as the weaker partner and as heirs with you of the gracious gift of life, so that nothing will hinder your prayers.

(NIV)

Eph 5:21\_24

21 Submit to one another out of reverence for Christ.

22 Wives, submit to your husbands as to the Lord.

23 For the husband is the head of the wife as Christ is the head of the church, his body, of which he is the Savior.

24 Now as the church submits to Christ, so also wives should submit to their husbands in everything.

(NIV)

Col 3:18

18 Wives, submit to your husbands, as is fitting in the Lord.

(NIV)

Titus 2:3\_5

3 Likewise, teach the older women to be reverent in the way they live, not to be slanderers or addicted to much wine, but to teach what is good.

4 Then they can train the younger women to love their husbands and children,

5 to be self-controlled and pure, to be busy at home, to be kind, and to be subject to their husbands, so that no one will malign the word of God.

(NIV)

1 Pet 3:1\_6

1 Wives, in the same way be submissive to your husbands so that, if any of them do not believe the word, they may be won over without words by the behavior of their wives,

2 when they see the purity and reverence of your lives.

3 Your beauty should not come from outward adornment, such as braided hair and the wearing of gold jewelry and fine clothes.

4 Instead, it should be that of your inner self, the unfading beauty of a gentle and quiet spirit, which is of great worth in God's sight.

5 For this is the way the holy women of the past who put their hope in God used to make themselves beautiful. They were submissive to their own husbands,

6 like Sarah, who obeyed Abraham and called him her master. You are her daughters if you do what is right and do not give way to fear.

(NIV)

Prov 31:10\_31

10 A wife of noble character who can find? She is worth far more than rubies.

11 Her husband has full confidence in her and lacks nothing of value.

12 She brings him good, not harm, all the days of her life.

13 She selects wool and flax and works with eager hands.

14 She is like the merchant ships, bringing her food from afar.

15 She gets up while it is still dark; she provides food for her family and portions for her servant girls.

16 She considers a field and buys it; out of her earnings she plants a vineyard.

17 She sets about her work vigorously; her arms are strong for her tasks.

18 She sees that her trading is profitable, and her lamp does not go out at night.

19 In her hand she holds the distaff and grasps the spindle with her fingers.

20 She opens her arms to the poor and extends her hands to the needy.

21 When it snows, she has no fear for her household; for all of them are clothed in scarlet.

22 She makes coverings for her bed; she is clothed in fine linen and purple.

23 Her husband is respected at the city gate, where he takes his seat among the elders of the land.

24 She makes linen garments and sells them, and supplies the merchants with sashes.

25 She is clothed with strength and dignity; she can laugh at the days to come.

26 She speaks with wisdom, and faithful instruction is on her tongue.

27 She watches over the affairs of her household and does not eat the bread of idleness.

28 Her children arise and call her blessed; her husband also, and he praises her:

29 "Many women do noble things, but you surpass them all."

30 Charm is deceptive, and beauty is fleeting; but a woman who fears the LORD is to be praised.

31 Give her the reward she has earned, and let her works bring her praise at the city gate.  
(NIV)

1 Cor 13:4\_8

4 Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud.

5 It is not rude, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs.

6 Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth.

7 It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres.

8 Love never fails. But where there are prophecies, they will cease; where there are tongues, they will be stilled; where there is knowledge, it will pass away.

(NIV)

Prov 6:20\_23

20 My son, keep your father's commands and do not forsake your mother's teaching.

21 Bind them upon your heart forever; fasten them around your neck.

22 When you walk, they will guide you; when you sleep, they will watch over you; when you awake, they will speak to you.

23 For these commands are a lamp, this teaching is a light, and the corrections of discipline are the way to life,

(NIV)

Eph 6:4

4 Fathers, do not exasperate your children; instead, bring them up in the training and instruction of the Lord.

(NIV)

Col 3:21

21 Fathers, do not embitter your children, or they will become discouraged.

(NIV)

Col 3:19\_20

19 Husbands, love your wives and do not be harsh with them.

20 Children, obey your parents in everything, for this pleases the Lord.

(NIV)

Prov 23:13

13 Do not withhold discipline from a child; if you punish him with the rod, he will not die.

(NIV)

Heb 12:6\_11

6 because the Lord disciplines those he loves, and he punishes everyone he accepts as a son."

7 Endure hardship as discipline; God is treating you as sons. For what son is not disciplined by his father?

8 If you are not disciplined (and everyone undergoes discipline), then you are illegitimate children and not true sons.

9 Moreover, we have all had human fathers who disciplined us and we respected them for it. How much more should we submit to the Father of our spirits and live!

10 Our fathers disciplined us for a little while as they thought best; but God disciplines us for our good, that we may share in his holiness.

11 No discipline seems pleasant at the time, but painful. Later on, however, it produces a harvest of righteousness and peace for those who have been trained by it.

(NIV)

Deut 6:6\_9

6 These commandments that I give you today are to be upon your hearts.

7 Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up.

8 Tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads.

9 Write them on the doorframes of your houses and on your gates.

(NIV)

Prov 22:6

6 Train a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not turn from it.

(NIV)

1Thes 2:11\_12

11 For you know that we dealt with each of you as a father deals with his own children,

12 encouraging, comforting and urging you to live lives worthy of God, who calls you into his kingdom and glory.

(NIV)

1 Tim 3:4

4 He must manage his own family well and see that his children obey him with proper respect.

(NIV)

Exod 20:12

12 "Honor your father and your mother, so that you may live long in the land the LORD your God is giving you.

(NIV)

Lev 19:3

3 "Each of you must respect his mother and father, and you must observe my Sabbaths. I am the LORD your God.

(NIV)

Eph 6:1\_3

1 Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right.

2 "Honor your father and mother" \_\_\_ which is the first commandment with a promise\_\_\_

3 "that it may go well with you and that you may enjoy long life on the earth."  
(NIV)

1 Tim 5:4

4 But if a widow has children or grandchildren, these should learn first of all to put their religion into practice by caring for their own family and so repaying their parents and grandparents, for this is pleasing to God.  
(NIV)

Matt 5:23\_24

23 "Therefore, if you are offering your gift at the altar and there remember that your brother has something against you,

24 leave your gift there in front of the altar. First go and be reconciled to your brother; then come and offer your gift.  
(NIV)

I Jn 1:9

9 If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.  
(NIV)

Eph 4:32

32 Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.  
(NIV)

Rom 14:10

10 You, then, why do you judge your brother? Or why do you look down on your brother? For we will all stand before God's judgment seat.  
(NIV)

Rom 14:13

13 Therefore let us stop passing judgment on one another. Instead, make up your mind not to put any stumbling block or obstacle in your brother's way.  
(NIV)

Phil 2:3\_4

3 Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit, but in humility consider others better than yourselves.

4 Each of you should look not only to your own interests, but also to the interests of others.  
(NIV)

2 Tim 2:23

23 Don't have anything to do with foolish and stupid arguments, because you know they produce quarrels.  
(NIV)

2 Tim 2:24

24 And the Lord's servant must not quarrel; instead, he must be kind to everyone, able to teach, not resentful.

(NIV)

Rom 12:16

16 Live in harmony with one another. Do not be proud, but be willing to associate with people of low position. Do not be conceited.

(NIV)

Rom 12:18

18 If it is possible, as far as it depends on you, live at peace with everyone.

(NIV)

Rom 12:10

10 Be devoted to one another in brotherly love. Honor one another above yourselves.

(NIV)

Rom 14:19

19 Let us therefore make every effort to do what leads to peace and to mutual edification.

(NIV)

## WEEK 9 SCRIPTURE

Gen 2:15

15 The LORD God took the man and put him in the Garden of Eden to work it and take care of it.

(NIV)

Eccl 3:13

13 That everyone may eat and drink, and find satisfaction in all his toil\_\_ this is the gift of God.

(NIV)

1 Tim 5:8

8 If anyone does not provide for his relatives, and especially for his immediate family, he has denied the faith and is worse than an unbeliever.

(NIV)

II Th 3:10

10 For even when we were with you, we gave you this rule: "If a man will not work, he shall not eat."

(NIV)

Exod 23:12

12 "Six days do your work, but on the seventh day do not work, so that your ox and your donkey may rest and the slave born in your household, and the alien as well, may be refreshed.

(NIV)

Luke 16:13

13 "No servant can serve two masters. Either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and Money."

(NIV)

Rom 12:11

11 Never be lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervor, serving the Lord.

(NIV)

Col 3:23\_24

23 Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for men,

24 since you know that you will receive an inheritance from the Lord as a reward. It is the Lord Christ you are serving.

(NIV)

1Thes 4:11\_12

11 Make it your ambition to lead a quiet life, to mind your own business and to work with your hands, just as we told you,

12 so that your daily life may win the respect of outsiders and so that you will not be dependent on anybody.

(NIV)

Titus 3:13\_14

13 Do everything you can to help Zenas the lawyer and Apollos on their way and see that they have everything they need.

14 Our people must learn to devote themselves to doing what is good, in order that they may provide for daily necessities and not live unproductive lives.

(NIV)

Lev 19:13

13 "Do not defraud your neighbor or rob him. "Do not hold back the wages of a hired man overnight.

(NIV)

Deut 24:14\_15

14 Do not take advantage of a hired man who is poor and needy, whether he is a brother Israelite or an alien living in one of your towns.

15 Pay him his wages each day before sunset, because he is poor and is counting on it. Otherwise he may cry to the LORD against you, and you will be guilty of sin.

(NIV)

Job 31:13\_14

13 "If I have denied justice to my menservants and maidservants when they had a grievance against me,

14 what will I do when God confronts me? What will I answer when called to account?

(NIV)

Mark 10:43\_45

43 Not so with you. Instead, whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant,

44 and whoever wants to be first must be slave of all.

45 For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."

(NIV)

Col 3:23\_4:1

23 Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for men,

24 since you know that you will receive an inheritance from the Lord as a reward. It is the Lord Christ you are serving.

25 Anyone who does wrong will be repaid for his wrong, and there is no favoritism.

## CHAPTER 4

1 Masters, provide your slaves with what is right and fair, because you know that you also have a Master in heaven.

(NIV)

Matt 20:1\_16

1 "For the kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire men to work in his vineyard.

2 He agreed to pay them a denarius for the day and sent them into his vineyard.

3 "About the third hour he went out and saw others standing in the marketplace doing nothing.

4 He told them, 'You also go and work in my vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.'

5 So they went. "He went out again about the sixth hour and the ninth hour and did the same thing.

6 About the eleventh hour he went out and found still others standing around. He asked them, 'Why have you been standing here all day long doing nothing?'

7 "'Because no one has hired us,' they answered. "He said to them, 'You also go and work in my vineyard.'

8 "When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his foreman, 'Call the workers and pay them their wages, beginning with the last ones hired and going on to the first.'

9 "The workers who were hired about the eleventh hour came and each received a denarius.

10 So when those came who were hired first, they expected to receive more. But each one of them also received a denarius.

11 When they received it, they began to grumble against the landowner.

12 'These men who were hired last worked only one hour,' they said, 'and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the work and the heat of the day.'

13 "But he answered one of them, 'Friend, I am not being unfair to you. Didn't you agree to work for a denarius?'

14 Take your pay and go. I want to give the man who was hired last the same as I gave you.

15 Don't I have the right to do what I want with my own money? Or are you envious because I am generous?'

16 "So the last will be first, and the first will be last."

(NIV)

Gen 39:1\_5

1 Now Joseph had been taken down to Egypt. Potiphar, an Egyptian who was one of Pharaoh's officials, the captain of the guard, bought him from the Ishmaelites who had taken him there.

2 The LORD was with Joseph and he prospered, and he lived in the house of his Egyptian master.

3 When his master saw that the LORD was with him and that the LORD gave him success in everything he did,

4 Joseph found favor in his eyes and became his attendant. Potiphar put him in charge of his household, and he entrusted to his care everything he owned.

5 From the time he put him in charge of his household and of all that he owned, the LORD blessed the household of the Egyptian because of Joseph. The blessing of the LORD was on everything Potiphar had, both in the house and in the field. (NIV)

Eccl 11:5\_6

5 As you do not know the path of the wind, or how the body is formed in a mother's womb, so you cannot understand the work of God, the Maker of all things.

6 Sow your seed in the morning, and at evening let not your hands be idle, for you do not know which will succeed, whether this or that, or whether both will do equally well. (NIV)

Matt 5:15\_16

15 Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house.

16 In the same way, let your light shine before men, that they may see your good deeds and praise your Father in heaven. (NIV)

1 Cor 10:31\_33

31 So whether you eat or drink or whatever you do, do it all for the glory of God.

32 Do not cause anyone to stumble, whether Jews, Greeks or the church of God\_\_

33 even as I try to please everybody in every way. For I am not seeking my own good but the good of many, so that they may be saved. (NIV)

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praised.  
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or addicted to much wine, but to teach what is good.  
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5 to be self-controlled and pure, to be busy at home, to be kind, and to be subject to their  
husbands, so that no one will malign the word of God.  
(NIV)

#### Gal 6:7\_10

7 Do not be deceived: God cannot be mocked. A man reaps what he sows.  
8 The one who sows to please his sinful nature, from that nature will reap destruction; the  
one who sows to please the Spirit, from the Spirit will reap eternal life.  
9 Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if  
we do not give up.  
10 Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, especially to those who  
belong to the family of believers.  
(NIV)

#### Deut 15:7\_11

7 If there is a poor man among your brothers in any of the towns of the land that the LORD  
your God is giving you, do not be hardhearted or tightfisted toward your poor brother.  
8 Rather be openhanded and freely lend him whatever he needs.  
9 Be careful not to harbor this wicked thought: "The seventh year, the year for canceling  
debts, is near," so that you do not show ill will toward your needy brother and give him nothing.  
He may then appeal to the LORD against you, and you will be found guilty of sin.  
10 Give generously to him and do so without a grudging heart; then because of this the  
LORD your God will bless you in all your work and in everything you put your hand to.  
11 There will always be poor people in the land. Therefore I command you to be  
openhanded toward your brothers and toward the poor and needy in your land.  
(NIV)

#### Matt 25:34\_45

34 "Then the King will say to those on his right, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father;  
take your inheritance, the kingdom prepared for you since the creation of the world.  
35 For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me  
something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in,  
36 I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison  
and you came to visit me.'

37 "Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink?'

38 When did we see you a stranger and invite you in, or needing clothes and clothe you?'

39 When did we see you sick or in prison and go to visit you?'

40 "The King will reply, 'I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me.'

41 "Then he will say to those on his left, 'Depart from me, you who are cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels.'

42 For I was hungry and you gave me nothing to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink,

43 I was a stranger and you did not invite me in, I needed clothes and you did not clothe me, I was sick and in prison and you did not look after me.'

44 "They also will answer, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or needing clothes or sick or in prison, and did not help you?'

45 "He will reply, 'I tell you the truth, whatever you did not do for one of the least of these, you did not do for me.'

(NIV)

Matt 28:19\_20

19 Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,

20 and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.'"

(NIV)

1 Pet 3:15

15 But in your hearts set apart Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect,

(NIV)

Rom 12:4\_8

4 Just as each of us has one body with many members, and these members do not all have the same function,

5 so in Christ we who are many form one body, and each member belongs to all the others.

6 We have different gifts, according to the grace given us. If a man's gift is prophesying, let him use it in proportion to his faith.

7 If it is serving, let him serve; if it is teaching, let him teach;

8 if it is encouraging, let him encourage; if it is contributing to the needs of others, let him give generously; if it is leadership, let him govern diligently; if it is showing mercy, let him do it cheerfully.

(NIV)

1 Cor 12:12\_25

12 The body is a unit, though it is made up of many parts; and though all its parts are many, they form one body. So it is with Christ.

13 For we were all baptized by one Spirit into one body\_\_ whether Jews or Greeks, slave or free\_\_ and we were all given the one Spirit to drink.

14 Now the body is not made up of one part but of many.

15 If the foot should say, "Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body," it would not for that reason cease to be part of the body.

16 And if the ear should say, "Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body," it would not for that reason cease to be part of the body.

17 If the whole body were an eye, where would the sense of hearing be? If the whole body were an ear, where would the sense of smell be?

18 But in fact God has arranged the parts in the body, every one of them, just as he wanted them to be.

19 If they were all one part, where would the body be?

20 As it is, there are many parts, but one body.

21 The eye cannot say to the hand, "I don't need you!" And the head cannot say to the feet, "I don't need you!"

22 On the contrary, those parts of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable,

23 and the parts that we think are less honorable we treat with special honor. And the parts that are unpresentable are treated with special modesty,

24 while our presentable parts need no special treatment. But God has combined the members of the body and has given greater honor to the parts that lacked it,

25 so that there should be no division in the body, but that its parts should have equal concern for each other.

(NIV)

1 Pet 4:10\_11

10 Each one should use whatever gift he has received to serve others, faithfully administering God's grace in its various forms.

11 If anyone speaks, he should do it as one speaking the very words of God. If anyone serves, he should do it with the strength God provides, so that in all things God may be praised through Jesus Christ. To him be the glory and the power for ever and ever. Amen.

(NIV)

Rom 12:6\_8

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(NIV)

1 Cor 7:7

7 I wish that all men were as I am. But each man has his own gift from God; one has this gift, another has that.

(NIV)

2 Cor 8:12

12 For if the willingness is there, the gift is acceptable according to what one has, not according to what he does not have.

(NIV)

John 12:26

26 Whoever serves me must follow me; and where I am, my servant also will be. My Father will honor the one who serves me. (NIV)

Col 3:24

24 since you know that you will receive an inheritance from the Lord as a reward. It is the Lord Christ you are serving.

(NIV)

## SCRIPTURE WEEK 10

2 Cor 5:9

9 So we make it our goal to please him, whether we are at home in the body or away from it.

(NIV)

2 Tim 2:4

4 No one serving as a soldier gets involved in civilian affairs\_\_ he wants to please his commanding officer.

(NIV)

2 Sam 22:33

33 It is God who arms me with strength and makes my way perfect.

(NIV)

Phil 4:13

13 I can do everything through him who gives me strength.

(NIV)

Rom 13:11\_14

11 And do this, understanding the present time. The hour has come for you to wake up from your slumber, because our salvation is nearer now than when we first believed.

12 The night is nearly over; the day is almost here. So let us put aside the deeds of darkness and put on the armor of light.

13 Let us behave decently, as in the daytime, not in orgies and drunkenness, not in sexual immorality and debauchery, not in dissension and jealousy.

14 Rather, clothe yourselves with the Lord Jesus Christ, and do not think about how to gratify the desires of the sinful nature.

(NIV)

1 Cor 9:24\_27

24 Do you not know that in a race all the runners run, but only one gets the prize? Run in such a way as to get the prize.

25 Everyone who competes in the games goes into strict training. They do it to get a crown that will not last; but we do it to get a crown that will last forever.

26 Therefore I do not run like a man running aimlessly; I do not fight like a man beating the air.

27 No, I beat my body and make it my slave so that after I have preached to others, I myself will not be disqualified for the prize.

(NIV)

Phil 3:12\_14

12 Not that I have already obtained all this, or have already been made perfect, but I press on to take hold of that for which Christ Jesus took hold of me.

13 Brothers, I do not consider myself yet to have taken hold of it. But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead,

14 I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus.

(NIV)

Heb 12:1\_3

1 Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles, and let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us.

2 Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy set before him endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.

3 Consider him who endured such opposition from sinful men, so that you will not grow weary and lose heart.

(NIV)

Phil 4:13

13 I can do everything through him who gives me strength.

(NIV)

2 Cor 4:16\_18

16 Therefore we do not lose heart. Though outwardly we are wasting away, yet inwardly we are being renewed day by day.

17 For our light and momentary troubles are achieving for us an eternal glory that far outweighs them all.

18 So we fix our eyes not on what is seen, but on what is unseen. For what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal.

(NIV)

2 Cor 5:6\_10

6 Therefore we are always confident and know that as long as we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord.

7 We live by faith, not by sight.

8 We are confident, I say, and would prefer to be away from the body and at home with the Lord.

9 So we make it our goal to please him, whether we are at home in the body or away from it.

10 For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, that each one may receive what is due him for the things done while in the body, whether good or bad.

(NIV)

Deut 6:5\_9

5 Love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength.

6 These commandments that I give you today are to be upon your hearts.

7 Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up.

8 Tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads.

9 Write them on the doorframes of your houses and on your gates.

(NIV)

Prov 22:6

6 Train a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not turn from it.

(NIV)

John 19:26\_27

26 When Jesus saw his mother there, and the disciple whom he loved standing nearby, he said to his mother, "Dear woman, here is your son,"

27 and to the disciple, "Here is your mother." From that time on, this disciple took her into his home.

(NIV)

Eph 5:28\_33

28 In this same way, husbands ought to love their wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself.

29 After all, no one ever hated his own body, but he feeds and cares for it, just as Christ does the church\_\_

30 for we are members of his body.

31 "For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and the two will become one flesh."

32 This is a profound mystery\_\_ but I am talking about Christ and the church.

33 However, each one of you also must love his wife as he loves himself, and the wife must respect her husband.

(NIV)

Eph 6:1\_3

1 Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right.

2 "Honor your father and mother"\_\_ which is the first commandment with a promise\_\_

3 "that it may go well with you and that you may enjoy long life on the earth."

(NIV)

1 Tim 5:16

16 If any woman who is a believer has widows in her family, she should help them and not let the church be burdened with them, so that the church can help those widows who are really in need.

(NIV)

Josh 1:8

8 Do not let this Book of the Law depart from your mouth; meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do everything written in it. Then you will be prosperous and successful.

(NIV)

2 Tim 2:5\_6

5 Similarly, if anyone competes as an athlete, he does not receive the victor's crown unless he competes according to the rules.

6 The hardworking farmer should be the first to receive a share of the crops.

(NIV)

1 Tim 6:6\_10

6 But godliness with contentment is great gain.

7 For we brought nothing into the world, and we can take nothing out of it.

8 But if we have food and clothing, we will be content with that.

9 People who want to get rich fall into temptation and a trap and into many foolish and harmful desires that plunge men into ruin and destruction.

10 For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil. Some people, eager for money, have wandered from the faith and pierced themselves with many griefs.

(NIV)

Rom 12:3\_8

3 For by the grace given me I say to every one of you: Do not think of yourself more highly than you ought, but rather think of yourself with sober judgment, in accordance with the measure of faith God has given you.

4 Just as each of us has one body with many members, and these members do not all have the same function,

5 so in Christ we who are many form one body, and each member belongs to all the others.

6 We have different gifts, according to the grace given us. If a man's gift is prophesying, let him use it in proportion to his faith.

7 If it is serving, let him serve; if it is teaching, let him teach;

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(NIV)

1 Pet 4:8\_10

8 Above all, love each other deeply, because love covers over a multitude of sins.

9 Offer hospitality to one another without grumbling.

10 Each one should use whatever gift he has received to serve others, faithfully administering God's grace in its various forms.

(NIV)

## SCRIPTURE WEEK 11

Ps 52:1\_5

1 Why do you boast of evil, you mighty man? Why do you boast all day long, you who are a disgrace in the eyes of God?

2 Your tongue plots destruction; it is like a sharpened razor, you who practice deceit.

3 You love evil rather than good, falsehood rather than speaking the truth. Selah

4 You love every harmful word, O you deceitful tongue!

5 Surely God will bring you down to everlasting ruin: He will snatch you up and tear you from your tent; he will uproot you from the land of the living. Selah

(NIV)

Luke 12:13\_21

13 Someone in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the inheritance with me."

14 Jesus replied, "Man, who appointed me a judge or an arbiter between you?"

15 Then he said to them, "Watch out! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; a man's life does not consist in the abundance of his possessions."

16 And he told them this parable: "The ground of a certain rich man produced a good crop.

17 He thought to himself, 'What shall I do? I have no place to store my crops.'

18 "Then he said, 'This is what I'll do. I will tear down my barns and build bigger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods.

19 And I'll say to myself, 'You have plenty of good things laid up for many years. Take life easy; eat, drink and be merry.' "

20 "But God said to him, 'You fool! This very night your life will be demanded from you. Then who will get what you have prepared for yourself?'

21 "This is how it will be with anyone who stores up things for himself but is not rich toward God."

(NIV)

Matt 6:19\_21

19 "Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy, and where thieves break in and steal.

20 But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where moth and rust do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal.

21 For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

(NIV)

Ps 37:5\_6

5 Commit your way to the LORD; trust in him and he will do this:

6 He will make your righteousness shine like the dawn, the justice of your cause like the noonday sun.

(NIV)

Ps 37:23\_24

23 If the LORD delights in a man's way, he makes his steps firm;  
24 though he stumble, he will not fall, for the LORD upholds him with his hand.  
(NIV)

1 Chr 22:2\_5

2 So David gave orders to assemble the aliens living in Israel, and from among them he appointed stonecutters to prepare dressed stone for building the house of God.  
3 He provided a large amount of iron to make nails for the doors of the gateways and for the fittings, and more bronze than could be weighed.  
4 He also provided more cedar logs than could be counted, for the Sidonians and Tyrians had brought large numbers of them to David.  
5 David said, "My son Solomon is young and inexperienced, and the house to be built for the LORD should be of great magnificence and fame and splendor in the sight of all the nations. Therefore I will make preparations for it." So David made extensive preparations before his death.  
(NIV)

1 Chr 28:9\_21

9 "And you, my son Solomon, acknowledge the God of your father, and serve him with wholehearted devotion and with a willing mind, for the LORD searches every heart and understands every motive behind the thoughts. If you seek him, he will be found by you; but if you forsake him, he will reject you forever.  
10 Consider now, for the LORD has chosen you to build a temple as a sanctuary. Be strong and do the work."  
11 Then David gave his son Solomon the plans for the portico of the temple, its buildings, its storerooms, its upper parts, its inner rooms and the place of atonement.  
12 He gave him the plans of all that the Spirit had put in his mind for the courts of the temple of the LORD and all the surrounding rooms, for the treasuries of the temple of God and for the treasuries for the dedicated things.  
13 He gave him instructions for the divisions of the priests and Levites, and for all the work of serving in the temple of the LORD, as well as for all the articles to be used in its service.  
14 He designated the weight of gold for all the gold articles to be used in various kinds of service, and the weight of silver for all the silver articles to be used in various kinds of service:  
15 the weight of gold for the gold lampstands and their lamps, with the weight for each lampstand and its lamps; and the weight of silver for each silver lampstand and its lamps, according to the use of each lampstand;  
16 the weight of gold for each table for consecrated bread; the weight of silver for the silver tables;  
17 the weight of pure gold for the forks, sprinkling bowls and pitchers; the weight of gold for each gold dish; the weight of silver for each silver dish;  
18 and the weight of the refined gold for the altar of incense. He also gave him the plan for the chariot, that is, the cherubim of gold that spread their wings and shelter the ark of the covenant of the LORD.  
19 "All this," David said, "I have in writing from the hand of the LORD upon me, and he gave me understanding in all the details of the plan."

20 David also said to Solomon his son, "Be strong and courageous, and do the work. Do not be afraid or discouraged, for the LORD God, my God, is with you. He will not fail you or forsake you until all the work for the service of the temple of the LORD is finished.

21 The divisions of the priests and Levites are ready for all the work on the temple of God, and every willing man skilled in any craft will help you in all the work. The officials and all the people will obey your every command."

(NIV)

Neh 1:1\_11

1 The words of Nehemiah son of Hacaliah: In the month of Kislev in the twentieth year, while I was in the citadel of Susa,

2 Hanani, one of my brothers, came from Judah with some other men, and I questioned them about the Jewish remnant that survived the exile, and also about Jerusalem.

3 They said to me, "Those who survived the exile and are back in the province are in great trouble and disgrace. The wall of Jerusalem is broken down, and its gates have been burned with fire."

4 When I heard these things, I sat down and wept. For some days I mourned and fasted and prayed before the God of heaven.

5 Then I said: "O LORD, God of heaven, the great and awesome God, who keeps his covenant of love with those who love him and obey his commands,

6 let your ear be attentive and your eyes open to hear the prayer your servant is praying before you day and night for your servants, the people of Israel. I confess the sins we Israelites, including myself and my father's house, have committed against you.

7 We have acted very wickedly toward you. We have not obeyed the commands, decrees and laws you gave your servant Moses.

8 "Remember the instruction you gave your servant Moses, saying, 'If you are unfaithful, I will scatter you among the nations,

9 but if you return to me and obey my commands, then even if your exiled people are at the farthest horizon, I will gather them from there and bring them to the place I have chosen as a dwelling for my Name.'

10 "They are your servants and your people, whom you redeemed by your great strength and your mighty hand.

11 O Lord, let your ear be attentive to the prayer of this your servant and to the prayer of your servants who delight in revering your name. Give your servant success today by granting him favor in the presence of this man." I was cupbearer to the king.

(NIV)

Neh 2:1\_8

CHAPTER 2

1 In the month of Nisan in the twentieth year of King Artaxerxes, when wine was brought for him, I took the wine and gave it to the king. I had not been sad in his presence before;

2 so the king asked me, "Why does your face look so sad when you are not ill? This can be nothing but sadness of heart." I was very much afraid,

3 but I said to the king, "May the king live forever! Why should my face not look sad when the city where my fathers are buried lies in ruins, and its gates have been destroyed by fire?"

4 The king said to me, "What is it you want?" Then I prayed to the God of heaven,  
5 and I answered the king, "If it pleases the king and if your servant has found favor in his sight, let him send me to the city in Judah where my fathers are buried so that I can rebuild it."  
6 Then the king, with the queen sitting beside him, asked me, "How long will your journey take, and when will you get back?" It pleased the king to send me; so I set a time.  
7 I also said to him, "If it pleases the king, may I have letters to the governors of Trans\_Euphrates, so that they will provide me safe\_conduct until I arrive in Judah?  
8 And may I have a letter to Asaph, keeper of the king's forest, so he will give me timber to make beams for the gates of the citadel by the temple and for the city wall and for the residence I will occupy?" And because the gracious hand of my God was upon me, the king granted my requests.  
(NIV)

Luke 14:28\_32

28 "Suppose one of you wants to build a tower. Will he not first sit down and estimate the cost to see if he has enough money to complete it?  
29 For if he lays the foundation and is not able to finish it, everyone who sees it will ridicule him,  
30 saying, 'This fellow began to build and was not able to finish.'  
31 "Or suppose a king is about to go to war against another king. Will he not first sit down and consider whether he is able with ten thousand men to oppose the one coming against him with twenty thousand?  
32 If he is not able, he will send a delegation while the other is still a long way off and will ask for terms of peace.  
(NIV)

Prov 16:17

17 The highway of the upright avoids evil; he who guards his way guards his life.  
(NIV)

Prov 16:25

25 There is a way that seems right to a man, but in the end it leads to death.  
(NIV)

Luke 14:33

33 In the same way, any of you who does not give up everything he has cannot be my disciple.  
(NIV)

Heb 10:35\_36

35 So do not throw away your confidence; it will be richly rewarded.  
36 You need to persevere so that when you have done the will of God, you will receive what he has promised.  
(NIV)

James 4:13\_17

13 Now listen, you who say, "Today or tomorrow we will go to this or that city, spend a year there, carry on business and make money."

14 Why, you do not even know what will happen tomorrow. What is your life? You are a mist that appears for a little while and then vanishes.

15 Instead, you ought to say, "If it is the Lord's will, we will live and do this or that."

16 As it is, you boast and brag. All such boasting is evil.

17 Anyone, then, who knows the good he ought to do and doesn't do it, sins.

(NIV)

Prov 12:5

5 The plans of the righteous are just, but the advice of the wicked is deceitful.

(NIV)

Prov 14:22

22 Do not those who plot evil go astray? But those who plan what is good find love and faithfulness.

(NIV)

Prov 15:22

22 Plans fail for lack of counsel, but with many advisers they succeed.

(NIV)

Prov 16:1

1 To man belong the plans of the heart, but from the LORD comes the reply of the tongue.

(NIV)

Prov 16:3

3 Commit to the LORD whatever you do, and your plans will succeed.

(NIV)

Prov 16:9

9 In his heart a man plans his course, but the LORD determines his steps.

(NIV)

Prov 19:21

21 Many are the plans in a man's heart, but it is the LORD's purpose that prevails.

(NIV)

Prov 21:5

5 The plans of the diligent lead to profit as surely as haste leads to poverty.

(NIV)

Prov 21:30

30 There is no wisdom, no insight, no plan that can succeed against the LORD.

(NIV)

Isa 32:7\_8

7 The scoundrel's methods are wicked, he makes up evil schemes to destroy the poor with lies, even when the plea of the needy is just.

8 But the noble man makes noble plans, and by noble deeds he stands.

(NIV)

Jer 29:11

11 For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.

(NIV)

Ps 16:7\_8

7 I will praise the LORD, who counsels me; even at night my heart instructs me.

8 I have set the LORD always before me. Because he is at my right hand, I will not be shaken.

(NIV)

Ps 32:8

8 I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go; I will counsel you and watch over you.

(NIV)

Jer 10:23

23 I know, O LORD, that a man's life is not his own; it is not for man to direct his steps.

(NIV)

Prov 6:6\_11

6 Go to the ant, you sluggard; consider its ways and be wise!

7 It has no commander, no overseer or ruler,

8 yet it stores its provisions in summer and gathers its food at harvest.

9 How long will you lie there, you sluggard? When will you get up from your sleep?

10 A little sleep, a little slumber, a little folding of the hands to rest\_\_

11 and poverty will come on you like a bandit and scarcity like an armed man.

(NIV)

Prov 24:30\_34

30 I went past the field of the sluggard, past the vineyard of the man who lacks judgment;

31 thorns had come up everywhere, the ground was covered with weeds, and the stone wall was in ruins.

32 I applied my heart to what I observed and learned a lesson from what I saw:

33 A little sleep, a little slumber, a little folding of the hands to rest\_\_

34 and poverty will come on you like a bandit and scarcity like an armed man.

(NIV)

Matt 6:25\_34

25 "Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or drink; or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more important than food, and the body more important than clothes?"

26 Look at the birds of the air; they do not sow or reap or store away in barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not much more valuable than they?"

27 Who of you by worrying can add a single hour to his life?"

28 "And why do you worry about clothes? See how the lilies of the field grow. They do not labor or spin.

29 Yet I tell you that not even Solomon in all his splendor was dressed like one of these.

30 If that is how God clothes the grass of the field, which is here today and tomorrow is thrown into the fire, will he not much more clothe you, O you of little faith?"

31 So do not worry, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?'

32 For the pagans run after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them.

33 But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.

34 Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own.

(NIV)

## SCRIPTURE WEEK 12

Isa 14:24

24 The LORD Almighty has sworn, "Surely, as I have planned, so it will be, and as I have purposed, so it will stand.

(NIV)

Deut 18:19

19 If anyone does not listen to my words that the prophet speaks in my name, I myself will call him to account.

(NIV)

Heb 4:13

13 Nothing in all creation is hidden from God's sight Everything is uncovered and laid bare before the eyes of him to whom we must give account.

(NIV)

Prov 15:22

22 Plans fail for lack of counsel, but with many advisers they succeed.

(NIV)

Prov 28:26

26 He who trusts in himself is a fool, but he who walks in wisdom is kept safe.

(NIV)

Prov 17:10

10 A rebuke impresses a man of discernment more than a hundred lashes a fool.

(NIV)

Prov 27:17

17 As iron sharpens iron, so one man sharpens another.

(NIV)

Prov 28:23

23 He who rebukes a man will in the end gain more favor than he who has a flattering tongue.

(NIV)

Gal 6:1\_3

1 Brothers, if someone is caught in a sin, you who are spiritual should restore him gently. But watch yourself, or you also may be tempted.

2 Carry each other's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ.

3 If anyone thinks he is something when he is nothing, he deceives himself.

(NIV)

James 5:16

16 Therefore confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective.

(NIV)

Prov 27:5\_6

5 Better is open rebuke than hidden love.

6 Wounds from a friend can be trusted, but an enemy multiplies kisses.

(NIV)

Jer 17:9

9 The heart is deceitful above all things and beyond cure. Who can understand it?

(NIV)

Rom 7:18\_20

18 I know that nothing good lives in me, that is, in my sinful nature. For I have the desire to do what is good, but I cannot carry it out.

19 For what I do is not the good I want to do; no, the evil I do not want to do\_\_ this I keep on doing.

20 Now if I do what I do not want to do, it is no longer I who do it, but it is sin living in me that does it.

(NIV)

Heb 3:13

13 But encourage one another daily, as long as it is called Today, so that none of you may be hardened by sin's deceitfulness.

(NIV)

Prov 15:32

32 He who ignores discipline despises himself, but whoever heeds correction gains understanding.

(NIV)

Prov 21:11

11 When a mocker is punished, the simple gain wisdom; when a wise man is instructed, he gets knowledge.

(NIV)

Prov 28:13

13 He who conceals his sins does not prosper, but whoever confesses and renounces them finds mercy.

(NIV)

Eccl 4:9\_12

9 Two are better than one, because they have a good return for their work:

10 If one falls down, his friend can help him up. But pity the man who falls and has no one to help him up!

11 Also, if two lie down together, they will keep warm. But how can one keep warm alone?

12 Though one may be overpowered, two can defend themselves. A cord of three strands is not quickly broken.

(NIV)

Eph 6:10\_13

10 Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power.

11 Put on the full armor of God so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes.

12 For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms.

13 Therefore put on the full armor of God, so that when the day of evil comes, you may be able to stand your ground, and after you have done everything, to stand.

(NIV)

Rom 14:12

12 So then, each of us will give an account of himself to God.

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1 Cor 3:11\_15

11 For no one can lay any foundation other than the one already laid, which is Jesus Christ.

12 If any man builds on this foundation using gold, silver, costly stones, wood, hay or straw,

13 his work will be shown for what it is, because the Day will bring it to light. It will be revealed with fire, and the fire will test the quality of each man's work.

14 If what he has built survives, he will receive his reward.

15 If it is burned up, he will suffer loss; he himself will be saved, but only as

(NIV)

1 Cor 6:12\_13

12 "Everything is permissible for me"\_\_ but not everything is beneficial. "Everything is permissible for me"\_\_ but I will not be mastered by anything.

13 "Food for the stomach and the stomach for food"\_\_ but God will destroy them both. The body is not meant for sexual immorality, but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body.

(NIV)

1 Cor 6:19\_20

19 Do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit, who is in you, whom you have received from God? You are not your own;

20 you were bought at a price. Therefore honor God with your body.

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Gal 6:7\_10

7 Do not be deceived: God cannot be mocked. A man reaps what he sows.

8 The one who sows to please his sinful nature, from that nature will reap destruction; the one who sows to please the Spirit, from the Spirit will reap eternal life.

9 Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up.

10 Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of believers.

(NIV)

Matt 12:36\_37

36 But I tell you that men will have to give account on the day of judgment for every careless word they have spoken.

37 For by your words you will be acquitted, and by your words you will be condemned."

(NIV)

Col 3:2

2 Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things.

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Col 3:18\_4:1

18 Wives, submit to your husbands, as is fitting in the Lord.

19 Husbands, love your wives and do not be harsh with them.

20 Children, obey your parents in everything, for this pleases the Lord.

21 Fathers, do not embitter your children, or they will become discouraged.

22 Slaves, obey your earthly masters in everything; and do it, not only when their eye is on you and to win their favor, but with sincerity of heart and reverence for the Lord.

23 Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for men,

24 since you know that you will receive an inheritance from the Lord as a reward. It is the Lord Christ you are serving.

25 Anyone who does wrong will be repaid for his wrong, and there is no favoritism.

CHAPTER 4

1 Masters, provide your slaves with what is right and fair, because you know that you also have a Master in heaven.

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Acts 15:22\_31

22 Then the apostles and elders, with the whole church, decided to choose some of their own men and send them to Antioch with Paul and Barnabas. They chose Judas (called Barsabbas) and Silas, two men who were leaders among the brothers.

23 With them they sent the following letter: The apostles and elders, your brothers, To the Gentile believers in Antioch, Syria and Cilicia: Greetings.

24 We have heard that some went out from us without our authorization and disturbed you, troubling your minds by what they said.

25 So we all agreed to choose some men and send them to you with our dear friends Barnabas and Paul\_\_  
26 men who have risked their lives for the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.  
27 Therefore we are sending Judas and Silas to confirm by word of mouth what we are writing.  
28 It seemed good to the Holy Spirit and to us not to burden you with anything beyond the following requirements:  
29 You are to abstain from food sacrificed to idols, from blood, from the meat of strangled animals and from sexual immorality. You will do well to avoid these things. Farewell.  
30 The men were sent off and went down to Antioch, where they gathered the church together and delivered the letter.  
31 The people read it and were glad for its encouraging message.  
(NIV)

#### Rom 13:1\_2

1 Everyone must submit himself to the governing authorities, for there is no authority except that which God has established. The authorities that exist have been established by God.  
2 Consequently, he who rebels against the authority is rebelling against what God has instituted, and those who do so will bring judgment on themselves.  
(NIV)

#### Rom 13:6\_7

6 This is also why you pay taxes, for the authorities are God's servants, who give their full time to governing.  
7 Give everyone what you owe him: If you owe taxes, pay taxes; if revenue, then revenue; if respect, then respect; if honor, then honor.  
(NIV)

#### 1 Cor 9:24\_25

24 Do you not know that in a race all the runners run, but only one gets the prize? Run in such a way as to get the prize.  
25 Everyone who competes in the games goes into strict training. They do it to get a crown that will not last; but we do it to get a crown that will last forever.  
(NIV)

#### Rom 13:12\_13

12 The night is nearly over; the day is almost here. So let us put aside the deeds of darkness and put on the armor of light.  
13 Let us behave decently, as in the daytime, not in orgies and drunkenness, not in sexual immorality and debauchery, not in dissension and jealousy.  
(NIV)

#### Eph 4:25\_32

25 Therefore each of you must put off falsehood and speak truthfully to his neighbor, for we are all members of one body.  
26 "In your anger do not sin": Do not let the sun go down while you are still angry,

27 and do not give the devil a foothold.

28 He who has been stealing must steal no longer, but must work, doing something useful with his own hands, that he may have something to share with those in need.

29 Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen.

30 And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with whom you were sealed for the day of redemption.

31 Get rid of all bitterness, rage and anger, brawling and slander, along with every form of malice.

32 Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.

(NIV)

Rom 15:1

1 We who are strong ought to bear with the failings of the weak and not to please ourselves.

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Rom 15:5\_6

5 May the God who gives endurance and encouragement give you a spirit of unity among yourselves as you follow Christ Jesus,

6 so that with one heart and mouth you may glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

(NIV)

Eph 4:2\_3

2 Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love.

3 Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace.

(NIV)

Heb 10:24\_25

24 And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds.

25 Let us not give up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but let us encourage one another\_\_ and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

(NIV)

Prov 13:20

20 He who walks with the wise grows wise, but a companion of fools suffers harm.

(NIV)

Prov 16:20

20 Whoever gives heed to instruction prospers, and blessed is he who trusts in the LORD.

(NIV)

Prov 19:20

20 Listen to advice and accept instruction, and in the end you will be wise.

(NIV)

Eccl 4:9\_12

9 Two are better than one, because they have a good return for their work:

10 If one falls down, his friend can help him up. But pity the man who falls and has no one to help him up!

11 Also, if two lie down together, they will keep warm. But how can one keep warm alone?

12 Though one may be overpowered, two can defend themselves. A cord of three strands is not quickly broken.

(NIV)

James 5:16

16 Therefore confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective.

(NIV)

James 5:19\_20

19 My brothers, if one of you should wander from the truth and someone should bring him back,

20 remember this: Whoever turns a sinner from the error of his way will save him from death and cover over a multitude of sins.

(NIV)