

Monday - Week Forty-eight

Reading the Gospels “on your own”

Summary: You are on your own to read whatever section you want from the four Gospels (perhaps one section as the NIV divides things). Use the following questions to guide you in your reading.

1. What happened? (The facts)
2. What does this section teach you about Jesus?
3. What does this section teach you about yourself? (do any of the people in the reading have characteristics you have?)
4. Can you see God’s grace in this reading? Where?
5. What will this reading lead you to do today?
6. What does this reading lead you to pray about for yourself or others?

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Reading the Epistles “on your own”

Summary: You are on your own to read whatever section you want from the New Testament letters (perhaps one section as the NIV divides things). Use the following questions to guide you in your reading.

1. Who wrote this letter? To whom was it written? Are there any other details about the author or recipient that might make this reading clearer to you?
2. How does this section fit into the context of the letter (especially the verses immediately before and after the section)?
3. What does this section teach you about yourself?
4. Can you see God’s grace in this reading? Where?
5. What will this reading lead you to do today?
6. What does this reading lead you to pray about for yourself or others?

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Catechism Review

Read Questions 353-357

1. Our daily bread includes everything that we need to live. Fill up these three lines with examples of "daily bread".

2. God teaches us to trust Him in this petition when He instructs us to pray "Give us this day our daily bread. Why is worrying such a tough sin to combat?

3. What are several strategies you can come up with to fight against worry?

4. Have Americans completely lost sight of the difference between "wants" and "needs"? Have you?

5. What would happen if God only gave us what we asked for?

6. Certainly we want to be thankful for all that God has given to us. Be as creative as possible in coming up with a practical way to thank God tomorrow. Write your idea down.

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Reading the Old Testament “on your own”

Summary: You are on your own to read whatever section you want from the Old Testament (perhaps one section as the NIV divides things). Use the following questions to guide you in your reading.

1. What happened? (The facts)
2. Is there a hero of the faith in this section?
3. What does this section teach you about yourself? (do any of the people in the reading have characteristics you have?)
4. Can you see God's grace in this reading? Where?
5. What will this reading lead you to do today?
6. What does this reading lead you to pray about for yourself or others?

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Reading the Psalms “on your own”

Summary: You are on your own to read whatever section you want from the book of Psalms (perhaps one Psalm would work well). Use the following questions to guide you in your reading.

1. Who wrote this Psalm? Is there an introduction to the Psalm?
2. What type of Psalm is it? What is its function? (Teaching, praying, pouring our feelings, etc.)
3. What does this Psalm teach you about yourself?
4. Can you see God's grace in this Psalm? Where?
5. What will this Psalm lead you to do today?
6. What does this Psalm lead you to pray about for yourself or others?