

Monday - Week Fifty-one

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 368-376

1. How would you define "evil"?

2. The world used to be a perfect place with no problems. When sin entered the world so did evil, trials, troubles, etc. Here in America there is a lot of evil (deceit, sinful actions, greed, etc.). Yet we do not have nearly as many troubles as people in other parts of the world. What would you say to someone who says, "This world isn't so bad. I don't know why you Christians talk about evil and sin so much."

3. God has promised that He will do one of two things when troubles enter our lives. What are they?

4. We will be finished with evil the day we die. Should we look forward to dying?

5. Why do we end our prayers with the word "Amen"?

6. How do our prayers glorify God?

Thursday - Week Fifty-one

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?