

## One Year Bible – Week 10

### **Summary: Mark reading**

Jesus again lets his disciples know what is to come, that he will be condemned and killed. He and his disciples then enter Jerusalem for the last week of Jesus' earthly ministry.

### **Things to Look For and Questions to Ponder as You Read:**

- *NT* – The gospel writers give us as readers more than just factual information about the events of Jesus' ministry, they also show us the person that Jesus was. Mark 10:21 is just one of those telling examples. Through dialog between Jesus and a young man, Mark indicates that "Jesus looked at him and loved him." Jesus did not simply preach about love, he showed it. What other glimpses from the reading do you get of the person of Jesus? – *Mar 1*
- *NT* – What is the most important commandment to follow? Sometimes it is easy to overlook the familiar but notice the relationship between the question and Jesus' answer in this passage (Mk 12:28-34). What should we do vs. who are we to be. How do you read the Bible? Do you see what you are supposed to do, or do you see the picture of who God wants you to be? Let this passage and others form an image for you of who God is calling you to be. – *Mar 5*

### **Small Group Questions:**

- 1) *NT* – For some, the decision to come to Christ involves little difficulty. For others there was much sacrifice involved to have become a Christian. Mark writes Peter's words to Jesus "We have left everything to follow you!" (Mk 10:28) Take a moment to share with the group what your experience was like coming to Christ. Spend some time interacting with Jesus' words in his response to Peter (Mk 10:29-31) – *Mar 1*
- 2) *NT* – In Mk 10:35-45, James and John approached Jesus asking to sit at his right and left in glory (sitting at a ruler's right and left was symbolic for having high position along-side the ruler). How well do you think James and John understood Jesus' mission at this point? Is there anything in the passage that might reveal more of James' and John's perspective at this moment? Although we might easily dismiss the notion of asking James' and John's question as our own, can you think of any parallel examples of their question that might happen today? – *Mar 2*

### **Summary: Leviticus and Numbers reading**

Leviticus finishes with instruction about the Sabbath, the Year of Jubilee, and God's proclaimed blessings and curses for the covenant he made with his people. The book of Numbers is an account of the Israelite's time wandering in the desert. It begins with commands about the census and purity which is a repeating theme throughout the Pentateuch (the first five books of the Bible – Genesis to Deuteronomy, also known as the Torah).

### **[Leviticus Extra Credit]**

Have you ever heard the phrase "An eye for an eye?" Most of the time this phrase is used in common usage it means equal revenge; "you hurt me, so I did the same to you." In Lev 24:20 we read God saying "an eye for an eye." Do you perceive the usage of this phrase in Leviticus as the same or different than the example above? What in the passage would support your perception? – *Mar 1*

### **Journal the Psalms this week:**

Be still. What do those words make you think of? Now, what do they make you feel? In Psalm 46:10 God says, "Be still and know that I am God." The New American Standard version translates it, "cease striving and know that I am God." Are you striving? BE STILL. In stillness, reflect on these words: "know that I am God." Journal what you feel when reading these words. – *Mar 3*

### **A Lenten Sermon-related Question**

This week's Fruit of the Spirit is Peace. Share a time when turmoil and anger erupted within your family, or workplace, or church. What was it like? What did you learn from it? How could the Peace available through the Spirit have made a difference?

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### **Reading Schedule:**

Leviticus = Lev / Numbers = Num / Mark = Mk / Psalms = Ps / Proverbs = Pr



Mar 1 – Lev 24:1-25:46 / Mk 10:13-31 / Ps 44:9-26 / Pr 10:20-21  
Mar 2 – Lev 25:47-27:13 / Mk 10:32-52 / Ps 45:1-17 / Pr 10:22  
Mar 3 – Lev 27:14-Num 1:54 / Mk 11:1-25 / Ps 46:1-11 / Pr 10:23  
Mar 4 – Num 2:1-3:51 / Mk 11:27-12:17 / Ps 47:1-9 / Pr 10:24-25  
Mar 5 – Num 4:1-5:31 / Mk 12:18-37 / Ps 48:1-14 / Pr 10:26  
Mar 6 – Num 6:1-7:89 / Mk 12:38-13:13 / Ps 49:1-20 / Pr 10:27-28  
Mar 7 – Num 8:1-9:23 / Mk 13:14-37 / Ps 50:1-23 / Pr 10:29-30