

Devotional for Each Day of the Week

Sunday: “Now the Lord was with Jehoshaphat, because he walked in the former ways of his father David; he did not seek the Baals.”—II Chronicles 17:3. **Pray that God would raise up rulers who would walk with Him!**

Monday: “But sought the God of his father, and walked in His commandments.”—II Chronicles 17:4a. **Pray** that we would seek the true and living God and obey His law. **Pray** for the Westminster Reformed Presbyterian Church, Prairie View, Illinois, and its pastor Steve Rhoda, as they seek to reach their neighborhood with the gospel.

Tuesday: “Therefore the Lord established the kingdom in his hand; and all Judah gave presents to Jehoshaphat, and he had riches and honor in abundance.”—II Chronicles 17:5. **Pray** that God would grant stable rule in our society through godly rulers seeking to put into effect the teachings of the law of God.

Wednesday: “And his heart took delight in the ways of the Lord.”—II Chronicles 17:6a. **Pray** that the Lord would give us the grace to delight in His ways. **Pray** that the students on the Semester in Scotland program would be of benefit to the Reformed Presbyterian Church in that land.

Thursday: “Moreover he removed the high places and wooden images from Judah.”—II Chronicles 17:6b. **Pray** that all idolatry and false worship would be swept away. **Pray** for Café 48, the weekly outreach café run by Carrickfergus Reformed Presbyterian Church in Northern Ireland on Fridays.

Friday: “So they taught in Judah, and had the Book of the Law of the Lord with them.”—II Chronicles 17:9a. **Pray** that God would raise up more faithful ministers who would teach the Word of God throughout the land, including in the cities. **Pray** that the Lord would bless the ministry of the Milford and Letterkenny congregations of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of Ireland.

Saturday: “And the fear of the Lord fell on all the kingdoms of the lands that were around Judah.”—II Chronicles 17:10a. **Pray** that the society around us would fear God as His Word is taught and the gospel proclaimed during His worship tomorrow.

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Sunday School at 4:45 PM
Worship at 5:30 PM

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Proclaiming the Kingship of Jesus Christ

Welcome and Announcements

Scripture Memory and Catechism Questions

The Call to Worship

Psalm 29:1-2

*The Invocation

*Psalm 146A

“Hallelujah! Praise Jehovah!”

Scripture Reading (p. 1)

Genesis 2:8-17

Pastoral Prayer

*Psalm 22F

“My God, My God, O Why Have You?”

Scripture Text (p. 673)

Galatians 3:10-14

The Sermon

“Covenant of Works”

*Prayer

*Psalm 40C

“O Lord My God!”

*Benediction

*Psalm 72C [stanzas 11-12]

“Now Blessed Be Our God Alone”

** Congregation will please stand.*

We are so glad that you could join us today! This service is being conducted under the auspices of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America. Please be sure to return next week and bring a friend.

Scripture Memory and Catechism Questions & Answers

“But he answered and said, It is written, Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God.”—*Matthew 4:4*.

“Who hath ears to hear, let him hear.”—*Matthew 13:9*.

Q. 18. Wherein consists the sinfulness of that estate whereinto man fell?

A. The sinfulness of that estate whereinto man fell, consists in the guilt of Adam’s first sin, the want of original righteousness, and the corruption of his whole nature, which is commonly called original sin; together with all actual transgressions which proceed from it.

Q. 19. What is the misery of that estate whereinto man fell?

A. All mankind by their fall lost communion with God, are under his wrath and curse, and so made liable to all the miseries of this life, to death itself, and to the pains of hell forever.

Galatians 3:12 “Covenant of Works”

Theme: Paul teaches that life can come through perfect obedience.

I. Not of Faith

A. the law is NOT of faith

B. perfect obedience is in view

II. Life is Promised

A. if you can keep God’s law without fail, you can earn salvation

B. Leviticus 18:5; Nehemiah 9:29; Ezekiel 20:11; Romans 10:5

III. This is a Covenant of Works that is revealed to us

A. it has the form of a covenant

1. an agreement

a. “a bond in blood sovereignly administered”

b. a suzerainty treaty

c. “an agreement between two or more parties”

2. with various stipulations/requirements

3. with blessings/rewards, and cursings/punishments

B. this was particularly the case with Adam

1. Genesis 2:17; Hosea 6:7

2. this goes along with Adam’s federal (representative) headship

Observations

A. the covenant is the basic structure of the Bible and of salvation

B. even the covenant of works was gracious

C. this is the teaching of our Confessional standards (WCF VII.1-2)

Application

A. don’t think that you can ever earn your way into heaven

B. appreciate what Jesus did for you in saving you