

STUDY QUESTIONS

Monday

1. Consider Peter's question that prompted this parable and Christ's concluding statement in vs 35. What is the key factor of the forgiveness Christ was teaching?
2. Consider the story of Joseph (Gen 37-50). He was faced with plenty of opportunities to forgive his brothers. Did Joseph have a heart of forgiveness or a willingness to forgive until a limit was reached? What statement(s) of Joseph from Gen 50:17-20 reveal this answer?
3. Do you find yourself reaching a mental limit of forgiveness? How should meditating on and thanking God for His forgiveness towards us affect our willingness to forgive our brothers and sisters in Christ?

Tuesday

1. What similarities do you see in Matt 18 and James 2?
2. In what ways this last week have you lived as if you realize you will be "judged under the law of liberty?" (James 2:12-13)
3. What actions are associated with a forgiving heart (Eph 4:32)? Are they typical of your life?

Wednesday – Read and Meditate on John 1:1-34

Thursday

1. Who does John say was in the beginning, was with God and was God?
Note: The Greek word translated "Word" in this passage is "Logos." This was a familiar term to both Jews and Greek. The "Logos" was believed to be the instrument through which the transcendent God created and communicated with the material world, the world in which we live.
2. Read the following verses and list all the things God's Word has accomplished. Gen 1:3, 6, 11, 14, 20, 24 and 26; Psalm 33:6; Jer 1:1-2, 4, 13; Isa 9:8-12; Psalm 107:20.
3. Read vss 14-18. Who does John identify as the Word?
4. In what way(s) is Jesus the "instrument" by which God communicates to those living in this material world?

Friday

1. In vs 14 John says "And the Word became flesh..." Consider the word "became." The word is defined as "to undergo a change or development" What does it mean for the Jesus to "become" flesh?
2. Read Gen 1:1. Who created the Heavens and the earth?
3. Read John 1:3, 10. Who does John identify as the Creator?
4. Read Col 1:1-20. Who does the Paul identify as Creator?
5. What do these verses tell you about the origin and nature of Jesus? Why is this important?

Saturday

1. Who is the "true light" in vss 6-9
2. Light is associated with the revelation of truth. Read vs.18. Who has Jesus revealed? Why is this important?

DAILY BIBLE READING

Monday Matt 18, Gen 50

Tuesday Matt 18, James 2

Wednesday Read John 1:1-34, John 20:30-31

Thursday Read John 1:1-34, Hebrews 1:1-4

Friday Read John 1:1-34, Col 1

Saturday Read John 1:1-34, Phil 2:5-9

Sunday Read John 1:1-34, 1 John 1:1-4