

STUDY QUESTIONS

Monday – questions from Matt 18, Rom 14

1. In light of Matthew 18:5–8 what is our responsibility to our fellow brother or sister in Christ? (See also Romans 14)
2. Consider your own life. Are there things present in your life (sins, liberties, class distinctions, etc.) that may be causing a brother or sister to stumble? If so what do you plan to do about these?

Tuesday – questions from Matt 18

1. Read Matthew 18:8–9. We know that Jesus is not calling us to literally cut off our limbs or gouge out our eyes if they lead us to sin. What then is He communicating with the use of such strong language?
2. Do you take your sin this seriously? Why or why not?
3. Consider the cost of your sin to Christ. How should this affect the way you view the sin still remaining in your life? What do you intend to do about it?

Wednesday – Read texts thoroughly and prayerfully.

Thursday – Questions from Matt 18, 23, and Isa 5–6

1. What is the warning of verse 10?
2. What is the reason Jesus gives for not despising one of the “little ones?”
3. Read Hebrews 1:14. What is the role of angels in relationship to believers? Look at how angels have served God’s people in the past: 2 Kings 6:8–19 and Daniel 6:19–23.
4. What does this tell you about the nature of the battle that believers are engaged in? (See Eph. 6:10–12). How does this help you better understand Matthew 18:5–9?

Friday – Questions from Matt 18, Ezek 34

1. A parable is a story where a spiritual truth is laid down alongside an earthly story in order to help the hearer better understand the spiritual truth. Read the parable in verses 12–14.
2. Who do the 99 sheep represent?
3. Who does the 1 single sheep represent?
4. Who does the shepherd represent?
5. Read Ezekiel 34:11–16. What parallels do you see between the parable in Matthew 18:12–14 and the promise of God to Israel here in Ezekiel 34?

Saturday – Questions from Matthew 17–18

1. What is the will of God as described in Matthew 18:14?
2. Based on the parable of the lost sheep to what extent is God willing to go to insure that none of His children perish?

DAILY BIBLE READING

Monday	Matt 18, Rom 14
Tuesday	Matt 18
Wednesday	Matt 5:27–30; 18; Lk 17:1–4
Thursday	Matt 18; 2 Kings 6; Dan 6
Friday	Matt 18; Ezek 34
Saturday	Matt 18
Sunday	Matt 18:10–14 (text for Nov 13)

RESOURCES

The Bible Study Questions and Reading schedule included in this bulletin are designed to help you in your personal daily study of God's Word. They follow the Inductive Bible study model - Observe, Interpret, and Apply. The following list explains the typical format for the weekly Bible Study.

Mon, Tues: **Application**, How does the text preached last Sunday apply to my life?

Wed, Thurs: **Observation**, What do I see in the text that will be preached next Sunday?

Fri, Sat: **Interpretation**, What does the text for next Sunday mean?

Sun: Come back to hear a sermon that your heart and mind are prepared for!