

Friday, December 9: Read [1 Kings 5-6](#), [Proverbs 9-10](#)

Solomon fulfills David's dream and builds the temple, a lavish house of worship for God. What was his intention in its beauty and majesty? Would it ultimately suffice for God's worship and glory? Notice [Hebrews 10:1-18](#).

Notes:



Spiritual Disciplines

Reading Assignments

- Invite the Holy Spirit to guide your reading each day.
- Read the chapters of the Bible according to the date.
- Underline any meaningful verses and take note of specific advice or wisdom gleaned from your reading.
- Note any unclear passages or teaching and seek insight, answers or help.
- Think about what you're reading. Ask:
 1. How does this apply to me?
 2. Are there any temptations to avoid, sins to confess, commands to obey or promises to claim?
 3. What insight do I gain on God, myself, others, or life?
- Ask God to show you any specific action you need to take as you read.

Weekly Readings

Monday, December 5: Read [1 Kings 1](#), [Proverbs 1-2](#)

As when David assumed the throne, there is a bit of a competition for power between David's sons Adonijah and Solomon. With David's help, Solomon is established as King. We'll read the book of Proverbs over the month of December. Notice all the reasons Solomon writes his proverbs in Chapter 1 verses 1-6.

Notes:

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Pray for Our Missionaries

Juan & Adriana Palacios (Angola Africa), **Ivan & Kim Hoyt** (Argentina), **David & Miriam Trott** (Cochabamba, Bolivia), **Mario Bloise** (Argentina), **Nate & MaryBeth Brace** (Kentucky), **Dan & DeAnn Gerard** (San Antonio, TX), **Robert Newkirk** (Jesus Film), **Craig & Shelly Shafer** (Sentani, Indonesia), **Randy & Kari Ash**, **John Smith** (CEF), **Mike & Fran VanBruggen** (S. Africa), **Sue Sanders** (Detroit, MI), **Matt Kooi** (Tijuana), **Daniel Jezonski** (Wycliffe), **Danielle Tucker** (YWAM), **Andrew & Sara Williams** (New Tribes).

Specific Concerns:

Pray this weekend:

- Review of the week (Thank God for answered prayer)
- Note any ongoing concerns to pray for the week.
- Praise God that He is working in your life. You are growing in your faith.

Monday Pray for:

1. *My relationship with God.*
2. *My life roles*
3. *My personal needs/weak areas*
4. *Goals and objectives*

Tuesday, December 6: Read [*1 Kings 2, Proverbs 3-4*](#)

In Chapter 2 of 1 Kings, Solomon secures his rule and empire. Notice also the context of the Proverbs is, in essence, a training manual for Solomon's son as evidenced by the repeated phrase "my son".

Notes:

Pray for family and friends by name.

Wednesday December 7: Read [*1 Kings 3; Proverbs 5-6*](#)

1 Kings 3 records God's endowing Solomon with supernatural wisdom and an example of that in the second half of the chapter.

Back in Proverbs, try to note all the things wisdom is and does, especially as it is contrasted with folly. Remember Solomon's personal insight into the pain of adultery. For good reason, he warns his own son to beware.

Notes:

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**Wednesday Pray for Bethel Gilead Community Church
(Consider fasting one, two, or all meals this day.)**

- a. Pastors: Pray for God's grace and guidance in Pastor Jim and Pastor David's ministries and families. Pray for the Youth and children's ministries here at BGCC.
- b. Worship: Ask God to strengthen our devotion to Him, in prayer, praise, and thanksgiving.
- c. Fellowship: Ask God to deepen our love and commitment to one another as a family of believers.
- d. Discipleship: ask God to develop the faith, dedication, and leadership of our people.
- e. Outreach: Pray that God will use Bethel Gilead to make a positive impact on our community so that many would come to Christ.
- f. Future Faith Goals: Ask God to give our congregation a united vision for the future Pray for God's clear leading in 2016 and beyond.

Thursday, December 8: Read [*1 Kings 4:29-34, Proverbs 7-8*](#)

Again note the variety of ways that Solomon was gifted with learning, knowledge and wisdom. Wisdom's call then (Proverbs 8) rings true for us today. Have you answered the call recorded in verses 32-36?

Notes:

Pray for "My World"

- Neighbors • People at Work • Others God brings into my life
- Continue to pray for the nation, our county and area churches.
- Ask God to bring revival and a spiritual awakening to Branch County.