

**Friday**, January 13: Read [Ephesians 6:10-18](#)

Take some time to review the protective armor outlined in Ephesians 6. In prayer, affirm the importance of each and make sure they are all firmly in place. Trust God to fortify your life against the adversity and ask the Holy Spirit to keep you in step with him each day.

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**, January 9: Read [Job 1-2](#)

We recently surveyed the book of Job. This week we want to **taylor off** the theme of suffering in Job to study Satan, the author of so much pain and suffering in the world. What can you observe about Satan, his activity and his powers from Job Chapters 1-2? How does 1 Peter 5:8-10 complement this passage in Job? Can you presently resist the devil firm in your faith?

Notes:

Monday Pray for:

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

### Pray for Our Missionaries

**Juan & Adriana Palacios** (Angola Africa), **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:

- The upcoming prayer service, "The Call", scheduled for January 15.

### 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.

**Tuesday**, January 10: Read [Isaiah 14:12-17](#), [Revelation 12:1-17](#)

Note what Satan's previous state was and what it is at present. What was his downfall? How can pride be ours as well today? According to both passages, what is Satan doing now on planet earth? Note [John 10:10](#). How should we defend ourselves against his attacks according to [James 4:7](#)?

Notes:

**Pray for family and friends by name.**

**Wednesday** January 11: Read [Genesis 3:1-19](#), [John 8:44](#)

What was Satan's primary strategy for tripping up Adam and Eve? Note [2 Corinthians 11:3](#). How does the devil use deception and lies today to tempt believers? Are you susceptible to satanic deception that could be leading you astray from your pure and sincere devotion to Christ?

Notes:

**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 Linda Penn as she transitions into her new position 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. Pray for the children and youth ministries here at BGCC.
- 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 2017 and beyond.

**Thursday**, January 12: Read [Revelation 13](#)

John foresees the day when the AntiChrist, empowered by Satan himself, will exercise authority over mankind. What power will he have over God's people? How are God's people told to withstand his onslaught? Note [1 Peter 4:12-19](#) and [Revelation 2:8-11](#). What are you doing now to cultivate faithfulness to Christ and endurance in the face of opposition?

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.