

Friday, November 30: Read [Hebrews 5, Romans 7](#)

Chapter 5 continues with the theme of the superiority of Christ. He is superior to the angels. He is superior to Moses. And, he is superior to the High Priest of Israel. Jesus' lineage, however, was not through Aaron and the Levite line, but through Melchizedek the priest and king of Salem. (Melchizedek means righteousness, Salem means peace). Note the account in [Genesis 14:17-20](#). Jesus came from the kingly line of Judah and ultimately holds the three positions of prophet, priest and king.

Notes:

Pray for Our Missionaries

Juan & Adriana Palacios (Angola, Africa), **David & Miriam Trott** (Cochabamba, Bolivia), **Mario Bloise** (Argentina), **Dan & DeAnn Gerard** (San Antonio, TX), **Robert and Kailey Newkirk** (South Sudan), **Mike and Fran VanBruggen**, (Word of Life), **Craig & Shelly Shafer** (Sentani, Indonesia), **Sue Saunders** (Bosnia), **Matt Kooi** (Tijuana), **Daniel Jezonski** (Wycliffe), **Andrew & Sara Williams** (Ethnos360), **Brad and Christa Babjack** (University of West Virginia), **Salomon and Megan Guzman** (Tijuana), **Alvaro and Rachel Garriga** (Central Asia)

Thru the New!

(Reading through the New Testament in 2018)

- *Invite the Holy Spirit to guide your reading each day.*
- *Read the chapters and 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.*

Monday, November 26 Read [Hebrews 1](#)

The book of Hebrews is written specifically to Jewish Christians who were wavering in their newfound faith. The writer encourages them to "hold on" ([Hebrews 3:6](#)) and to "go on to maturity" ([Hebrews 6:1](#)). The book is very helpful for understanding how Christianity is the fulfillment of the Old Testament scriptures.

Chapter one opens with the presentation of Jesus Christ as superior to angelic beings. Most of chapter one is quoted from the Old Testament showing how scripture is fulfilled in Jesus.

Notes:

Pray for: ---My relationship with God

---My life roles

---My personal needs/weak areas

---My goals and objectives.

Tuesday, November 27: Read [*Hebrews 2*](#)

We dare not ignore the message of salvation. Jesus, who suffered death, is risen and now glorified in heaven. And he identifies with us his brothers and sisters! He is both the sacrifice for our sins, as well as the high priest who intercedes for us, helping us to overcome sin's power.

Pray for family and friends by name.

Wednesday November 28: Read [*Hebrews 3*](#)

In chapter three, Jesus is presented as superior to Moses. One was a faithful servant, the other a faithful son. One served in the house, the other built the house. The writer quotes Psalm 95 as a warning not to rebel as did Moses' generation and suffered banishment from the promised land. The root cause of their rebellion was hardened, unbelieving hearts.

Wednesday: Pray for Bethel Gilead Community Church

1. Leadership: Pray for God's grace and guidance in Pastor Jim and Pastor David's ministries and families. Pray for Linda Penn in her work at BGCC. Pray for the church council and the various ministry team leaders.
2. Worship: Ask God to strengthen our devotion to Him, in prayer, praise and thanksgiving. Pray for the development of a youth praise team.
3. Fellowship: Ask God to deepen our love and commitment to one another as a family of believers.
4. Discipleship: Ask God to develop the faith, dedication, and leadership of our people. Pray for the children and youth ministries at BGCC. Pray for our small group ministry.
5. Outreach: Pray that God will use Bethel Gilead to make a positive impact on our community so that many would come to Christ. Ask God to embolden our people to intentionally reach out to others.
6. Future Faith Goals: Ask God to give our congregation a united vision for the future. Pray for our upcoming 150th anniversary celebration this Sunday. Ask God to use our church anniversary as a testimony to Branch County. Pray for God's clear leading in our upcoming 2020 plan.

Thursday, November 29: Read [*Hebrews 4*](#)

The author of Hebrews continues the analogy of Israel in Moses' days and presents Israel in Jesus' time. The offer to enter God's rest is laid before us. Moses' generation failed because of faithfulness. Our generation enters God's rest by faith in Jesus' faithfulness on our behalf.

Note the efficacy of the word of God as described in verse 12: living, active, sharp to penetrate, able to divide soul and spirit, judging thoughts and attitudes of the heart. What an advantage we have been given in possessing the scriptures! It is one of God's tools to refine and develop us as his people. And it reminds us of the direct access we have to God through Jesus our high priest!

Notes:

Thursday Pray for "My World"

(Write down names as God brings people to mind.)

- Neighbors • People who live around me.
- People at Work • Others God brings into my life. Take note of specific needs around you and ask God what he wants you to do to help. Who can you invite to church this Sunday?
- Ask God to bring revival and a spiritual awakening to Branch County. Pray for the area churches and a greater spirit of unity and cooperation.
- Continue to pray for the nation, our national leaders and a revival in America.