

Friday, May 10: Read [*Psalms 119-120, Job 19-20*](#)

Where Psalm 117 is the shortest Psalm in scripture, Psalm 119 is the longest. Each paragraph begins with a different letter of the Hebrew alphabet, a kind of poetic scheme. The theme of the Psalm is clearly one thing -- the superiority of the word of God. If you have any doubt as to the virtues of scripture and its potential impact on your life, read Psalm 119 and be reminded of its value. Notice also the variety of metaphors used to describe scripture (i.e. statutes, laws, precepts, etc.)

Notable today in the book of Job is chapter [*19:25-27*](#), an ancient declaration of the resurrection. Job, enmeshed in pain and suffering, declares the certainty of his final state after death -- eternal life with his redeemer; none other than our Savior, Jesus Christ.

Notes:

Pray for Our Missionaries

Juan & Adriana Palacios (Angola, Africa), **David & Miriam Trott** (Cochabamba, Bolivia), **Mario Bloise** (Argentina), **Dan & DeAnn Gerard** (San Antonio, TX), , **Craig & Shelly Shafer** (Sentani, Indonesia), **Sue Saunders** (Bosnia), **Matt and Becky Kooi** (Tijuana), **Daniel Jezowski** (Wycliffe), **Andrew & Sara Williams** (Ethnos360), **Brad and Christa Babjack** (University of West Virginia), **Salomon and Megan Guzman** (Tijuana), **Alvaro and Rachel Garriga** (Central Asia), **William and Salma Garcia** (Tijuana church plant)

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Be the CHURCH is DISCIPLESHIP

Spiritual Disciplines Guide:

- *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, May 6 Read [*Psalms 111-112, Job 11-12*](#)

Psalm 111 is a classic praise psalm, extolling the works of the Lord on Israel's behalf. Note the citation of Proverbs 1:7 in verse 10. All who follow his precepts have good understanding!

Psalm 112 goes the next step to promote the advantages of serving God by outlining some of the blessings God gives his faithful, namely goodness, security and posterity.

The dialogue continues in the book of Job between him and his friends. Much of their musings are over the meaning of Job's suffering and the supposed consequence of suffering from wrongdoing. In Job's case, his misery is heightened because of their conversations.

Notes:

Pray for: —My relationship with God

—My life roles

—My personal needs/weak areas

—My goals and objectives.

Tuesday, May 7: Read [*Psalms 113-114, Job 13-14*](#)

Psalms 113 and 114 are both praise psalms, exalting God as both Lord of all nations and the God who liberated Israel from Egypt. The question is asked, “Who is like the Lord?” The answer is obvious, “There is none like him”.

Tuesday: Pray for Family and Friends by Name.

Wednesday May 8: Read [*Psalms 115-116, Job 15-16*](#)

Psalms 115 compares the God of Israel, the God in heaven, to the gods of the nations, idols made by human hands. The repeated call is to trust in him, and he in turn will bless us.

Psalms 116 is a personal testimony of the goodness of God seen in the psalmist’s own personal experience. He was in danger of death and God stepped in and rescued him and renewed his life. His conclusion ought to be ours as well. Therefore I will fulfill my vows to the Lord and call upon the name of the Lord.

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. Ask the Lord of the harvest to raise up more workers for the harvest ([*Matthew 9:38*](#))
2. Worship: Ask God to strengthen our devotion to Him, in prayer, praise and thanksgiving. Pray for more musicians to help lead the church in worship. Pray for the development of a youth praise team.
3. Fellowship: Pray that God would deepen our love and commitment to one another as a family of believers. Pray that we incorporate newcomers into our church fellowship.
4. Discipleship: Ask God to develop the faith, dedication, and leadership of our people. Pray for the children and youth ministries at BGCC. Ask God to bless our small group ministry, to raise up new groups, new teachers and more leaders.
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, especially through the Kingdom Initiative.
6. Future Faith Goals: Ask God to give our congregation a united vision for the future. Pray for God’s clear leading in our 2020 plan as we call our members to a greater love and commitment to the Lord and his service. Ask God to bless our finances so that we can better accomplish his purposes for our congregation.

Thursday, May 9: Read [*Psalms 117-118, Job 17-18*](#)

Psalms 117 is the shortest psalm in the Bible, a call to worship for all peoples. Psalms 118 is a song of thanksgiving, acknowledging God’s protection and deliverance. It contains several Messianic references including verses 22-23 and verse 26. Verse 29, repeated in several other psalms, is a common table prayer said in many households before dining.

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.