Chapter highlights:
*A key passage for me:
*One point of application from today's reading:
Friday: Pray for Our Missionaries
David & Miriam Trott (Spain), Dan and DeAnn Gerard (San Antonio,
TX), Craig and Shelly Schafer (Asia-Pacific Region), Joe and Sue Saunders-Robb (Reliant), Daniel Jezowski (Papau, New Guinea), Brad and

Christa Babjack (Michigan State University), Alvaro and Raquel Garriga

(Central Asia), Spectrum Ministries (Tijuana, Mexico)

Friday, February 16: Read Revelation 1, 4-5



Spiritual Disciplines Guide
Week of February 11, 2024

We have taken the month of February to revisit the concept of faith and its importance to us in living the Christian life. Last week we looked at a number of passages that highlighted what faith is and what it looks like. Now, biblical faith is always objective. It depends on its object. And the object of our faith is none other than God himself. While God is wholly reliable and true, humans are fickle and often slow to put their faith in God. This week we'll look at a number of direct revelations of God to different people. In each case God presents himself to someone and calls them to trust and obedience. Take note in each example how God appears, what he reveals about himself and what he calls the individual to do. The better we know who God is and what God does, the easier it is for us as humans to trust him. Ask God to build your own faith in God this week as you discover more of his divine attributes and actions in history. Remember *Hebrews 11:6* tells us that without faith is is impossible to please God because everyone who comes to him must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who earnestly seek him.

Monday, February 12: Read Exodus 3-4, 34

*Chapter highlights:

*A key passage for me:

*One point of application from today's reading:

Monday: Pray for yourself:

My relationship with God
My life roles and responsibilities
My personal needs/weak areas
My goals and objectives for the winter season.

Tuesday, February 13: Read *Isaiah 6*

*Chapter highlights:

*A key passage for me:

*One point of application from today's reading:

Tuesday: Pray for Family by Name.

Wednesday, : February 14: Read *Ezekiel 1-2*

Chapter highlights:

*A key passage for me:

*One point of application from today's reading:

Wednesday: Pray for Bethel Gilead Community Church

- 1. <u>Leadership:</u> 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*)
- 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, including a pianist. Pray for the development of a youth praise team.
- 3. <u>Fellowship:</u> Ask God to deepen our love and commitment to one another as a family of believers. Pray that we incorporate newcomers into our church fellowship. Take some time to pray through this past Sunday's congregational prayer requests.
- 4. <u>Discipleship:</u> 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. <u>Outreach:</u> 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. <u>Future Faith Goals:</u> Ask God to give our congregation a united vision for the future.

Pray for God's clear leading in our future plans 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, February 15: Read <u>Acts 9:1-31, 26:12-33</u>

Chapter highlights:

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*One point of application from today's reading:

Thursday: Pray for "My World"

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

- Neighbors People who live around me.
- <u>People at Work</u> 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?
- <u>Community</u> -- Ask God to bring revival and a spiritual awakening to Branch County, even through time of crisis.
- <u>Pray for the area churches</u> and a greater spirit of unity and cooperation, especially as churches unite through the Branch County Canopy of Prayer.
- Pray for the community parachurch ministries serving our county, including Beginnings Care for Life Center, Branch County Right to Life, Joppa Recovery/ Celebrate Recovery, Coach Eby Center, Family Promise, Forgotten Man Ministries, Freedom Recovery Center, God's Choice Church, Jacob's Well Ministry, Presbyterian Free Health Clinic, Shelterhouse, Tommy's House, the Gideons and the Bronson Food Pantry.
- America: Continue to pray for the nation, our national leaders and a revival
 in America. Pray that God would use the economy and world events to lead
 people to faith in Jesus Christ. Pray for God's guidance and protection for our
 nation in the coming weeks and months.