

Grace Episcopal Church
Read the Bible in a Year - GraceFullBible - New Testament
Reflections: Virtual Class

Thoughts, Reflections, Insights, Questions of readings to date
Readings: 23 Feb - 27 Feb 2015

Prayer: O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy: Be gracious to all who have gone astray from your ways, and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of your Word, Jesus Christ your Son; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever.
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Readings :

Day 38 | Monday | February 23 | Mark 10 | Teaching on divorce - what is the true meaning here about broken relationships?; enter the Kingdom with the faith of a little child; rich man - eternal life ... Jesus - live a pure life, obey the Law and the Prophets, sell everything to the poor and follow Jesus; Jesus foretells his passion, death, resurrection a 3rd time; request for leadership - not in the way you think; Bartimaeus son of Timaeus is healed through his faith.

Day 39 | Tuesday | February 24 | Mark 11 | Jesus enters Jerusalem under a different kind of leadership; curses a fig tree; throws out commerce in the Temple; lesson to disciples on the fig tree; religious leaders ask about Jesus authority - he asks about the authority of John the Baptist - they don't know or want to avoid the politics of saying no; Jesus does not answer them and walks away.

Day 40 | Wednesday | February 25 | Mark 12 | Jesus tells the story of the wicked tenants; render to the government what is the government and to God what is God's - passed the test; there will be a resurrection; Jesus answers - "The first is, 'Hear, O Israel: the Lord our God, the Lord is one; ³⁰ you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength.'³¹ The second is this, 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' There is no other commandment greater than these."; the Messiah will be different that David's rule; Jesus denounces scribes; "Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the treasury. ⁴⁴ For all of them have contributed out of their abundance; but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on."

Day 41 | Thursday | February 26 | Mark 13 | Jesus predicts the destruction of the Temple; persecution coming; coming of the Son of Man; look to the fig tree; watch

Day 42 | Friday | February 27 | Mark 14 | Plot to kill Jesus by religious leaders; woman gives last rites to Jesus; Judas will betray Jesus; Holy Communion instituted; prayer in Gethsemane; Jesus is - betrayed, arrested, mock trial before religious leaders, Peter denies Jesus and weeps fulfilling what Jesus predicted;

Prayer

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Thoughts from others:

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