



# BIBLE READING & PRAYER GUIDE

*January 9-14*

## SCRIPTURE MEMORY

### 1 Corinthians 6

<sup>19</sup>Do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit, who is in you, whom you have received from God? You are not your own; <sup>20</sup>you were bought at a price. Therefore honor God with your body.

## BIBLE READING PLAN AND GUIDE

### Daily Reading Schedule

**Day 1** – Colossians 3:1-17

**Day 2** – Matthew 15:19; Matthew 5:27-28

**Day 3** – 1 Corinthians 6:12-20

**Day 4** – Ephesians 3:5; Revelation 21:8; 1 Corinthians 6:9-11

**Day 5** – Romans 6:6,13; Galatians 5:24

**Day 6** – Ephesians 3:3

### Bible Reading Guide

As you read these passages each day, ask yourself the corresponding questions:

**Day 1** – This passage is our foundation for our study. How would you summarize this chapter to someone who does not know the Bible?

**Day 2** – Because of the work of Christ our sins (our life) was buried with Christ of which He conquered through His resurrection. How does your position in Christ shape the way you should view your life and the decisions you make?

**Day 3** – Evaluate how you view your body. Do you view it as a temple of God? Are the things you are engaged in reflective of you being a temple of God or are you dishonoring your temple someone? If so, how?

**Day 4** – What feelings and thoughts do these passages bring to the surface in your life? Do you think God's response to such behavior is fair? Why is it fair though uncomfortable?

**Day 5** – If there has been sexual immorality in your life, how have you dealt with it? Justified it? Excused It? Crucified it?

**Day 6** – What are "hints" of sexual immorality that you need to deal with before God? Who could you ask to help you "put it to death" and to help hold you accountable to honor God.

## PRAY FOR LIVES AND CHURCH

As we get specific into developing the character of Jesus Christ we come to a potentially divisive subject – sexual immorality. Pray that Ferris Hill will have an intense resolve to remove all hints of sexual immorality despite long held habits, cultural approval, and personal and relationship hardships. Pray that our desire would be to do whatever to be a beautiful bride of Christ.

In praying for ministries/people this week, pray for **Church Council**. This group of faithful servants continues to sacrifice their time and energy to help shape the direction of FHBC. Pray for them to have much wisdom and prayerful dependence as they lead and serve.

## **PRAY FOR LOCAL**

**Focus:** Milton Police Department; Gregory Brand, Chief

**Local Church:** Bagdad First Baptist Church (BFBC); Pastor Chet Keating

**Day 1:** Pray for families of police officers that they might know peace when their loved ones are on duty and that they might have understanding when those they love are under stress.

**Day 2:** That they would have wisdom and safety in all situations

**Day 3:** Pray for Chief Brand as he leads the city of Milton police department.

**Day 4:** Pray for their food and clothing distribution ministry on Tuesdays.

**Day 5:** Pray for BFBC's Good News Club as it reaches out to students at Bagdad Elementary School.

**Day 6:** Pray for Pastor Chet Keating as he balances his full-time job as well as pastoring BFBC.

## **PRAY FOR GLOBAL**

**Partner:** This week we are praying for the church world-wide

**Day 1:** Praise God for The unprecedented harvest of new believers continues across Africa, Asia and Latin America, in contrast to the relative stagnation or decline in the rest of the world.

**Day 2:** Praise God that there are there are now Christians living and fellowshiping in every country on earth.

**Day 3:** Pray that Argentina's **church leaders** would be committed to pursuing unity, personal holiness and discipleship which develops and releases tomorrow's leaders.

**Day 4:** Praise God that hundreds of millions heard the good news for the first time in the past century. It is also an indication that the missionary efforts of the past 200 years have borne incredible fruit, though at times it was slow in coming.

**Day 5:** Praise God that The strength and growth of the Church in lands that now have, or have had in the past, severe persecution. Some examples of places where both persecution and Church growth are prominent include China, India, Sudan, Ethiopia, Vietnam, Iran and Myanmar, to name but a few.

**Day 6:** Pray that each unique congregation might serve to build up believers, draw in the unchurched and glorify Christ. Pray for wisdom for church leaders to know how to best achieve this for their congregation, whatever its context. When the Church fails in this duty, nominalism becomes widespread.

## **URGENT NAMES AND NEEDS**

- Pray for Ashley King (cousin of Tommy Dobbs) with terminal cancer.
- Pray for Betty Work (mother of Barbara Smith and Grandmother of Candace Nall) with terminal cancer.
- Pray for the homeless and the heatless during the winter and those who are truly seeking to get on their feet.
- Pray for Joe Nobles
- Pray for Kohlton James (great-grandson of Red James) who is 2 ½ years old with numerous tumors.
- Pray for Ray Parks (Brother of Julie Griffin)
- Pray for the Pastor and Personnel Team as they prayerfully search for our next minister of music.