

Living and Loving

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First Thessalonians 4:9-12

“Now about brotherly love we do not need to write to you, for you yourselves have been taught by God to love each other. And in fact, you do love all the brothers throughout Macedonia. Yet we urge you, brothers, to do so more and more.

“Make it your ambition to lead a quiet life, to mind your own business and to work with your hands, just as we told you, so that your daily life may win the respect of outsiders and so that you will not be dependent on anybody.” *1 Thessalonians 4:9-12*(NIV)

Notes

Daily Meditations

Monday

Each day this week we're going to read a psalm and answer some questions that will help dig into that Psalm. Please read Psalm 1. This is the first psalm I ever memorized and so it's one of my favorites!

What is the first thing that impresses you about this psalm?

What is the main theme of the psalm?

Write down one application of this psalm that you want to apply to your life this week.

Thank God today for His love. Thank Him for the clear direction He wants to give you. Pray that you'll choose to be a "delight in the law of the Lord."

Tuesday

Please read Psalm 25. What is the first thing that impresses you about this psalm?

What is the main theme of the psalm?

Write down one application of this psalm that you want to apply to your life this week.

Thank God today for his deliverance. Talk to Him about the way you want to apply this passage today. Ask God to make you an encouragement to those you encounter today.

Wednesday

Please read Psalm 42. What is the first thing that impresses you about this psalm?

What is the main theme of the psalm?

Write down one application of this psalm that you want to apply to your life this week.

Talk to God about the ways you feel He's forgotten you. Ask Him for the faith to believe that He is walking with you and knows the way ahead of you. Pray that you'll believe that "you'll again praise Him."

Thursday

Please read Psalm 84. What is the first thing that impresses you about this psalm?

What is the main theme of the psalm?

Write down one application of this psalm that you want to apply to your life this week.

Thank God today that He helps you go from strength to strength. Pray about the struggles you're facing. Ask God to give you hope today – not just hope that things will change, but hope that is based on God. Pray that you'll make a difference in someone's life today.

Friday

Please read Psalm 111. What is the first thing that impresses you about this psalm?

What is the main theme of the psalm?

Write down one application of this psalm that you want to apply to your life this week.

Thank God today that all His works and ways are trustworthy. Pray that your life will be marked by praise to God. Ask God to give you the strength to apply what you've studied this week.

Saturday

Please be sure you know this week's Bible verse and have finished the devotions. Please pray for the services this weekend. Pray that our new series will get off to a great start. Pray that our church will continue to grow in joy and will grow closer together.



Memory Verse

"Make it your ambition to lead a quiet life, to mind your own business and to work with your hands, just as we told you, so that your daily life may win the respect of outsiders and so that you will not be dependent on anybody."
1 Thessalonians 4:11-12 (NIV)