

DAILY READING PLAN

Week of March 27, 2022

Dwelling: Guidance

John 14:23-26; 1 Corinthians 2:11-13



Day One | Read Psalm 23

¹ *The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want. ² He makes me lie down in green pastures; he leads me beside still waters; ³ he restores my soul. He leads me in right paths for his name's sake. ⁴ Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff—they comfort me. ⁵ You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. ⁶ Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.*

- The Spirit of the Good Shepherd redirects us when we stray from the path. How have you experienced that spiritual redirection? What happened?

Day Two | Read 1 Corinthians 2:11-13

¹¹ *No one can know a person's thoughts except that person's own spirit, and no one can know God's thoughts except God's own Spirit. ¹² And we have received God's Spirit (not the world's spirit), so we can know the wonderful things God has freely given us. ¹³ When we tell you these things, we do not use words that come from human wisdom. Instead, we speak words given to us by the Spirit, using the Spirit's words to explain spiritual truths.*

- What are the implications of having the Spirit (who knows the mind of God) dwelling within you?

Day Three | Read 2 Corinthians 3:18

¹⁸ *"So all of us who have had that veil removed can see and reflect the glory of the Lord. And the Lord—who is the Spirit—makes us more and more like him as we are changed into his glorious image."*

- This verse tells us that the Spirit is working within us to shape our lives more and more into the likeness of Christ. How are you more like Christ today in attitude or action?

Day Four | Read Galatians 5:16-26

¹⁶ *"So I say, let the Holy Spirit guide your lives. Then you won't be doing what your sinful nature craves. ¹⁷ The sinful nature wants to do evil, which is just the opposite of what the Spirit wants. And the Spirit gives us desires that are the opposite of what the sinful nature desires. These two forces are constantly fighting each other, so you are not free to carry out your good intentions. ¹⁸ But when you are directed by the Spirit, you are not under obligation to the law of Moses. ¹⁹ When you follow the desires of your sinful nature, the results are very clear: sexual immorality, impurity, lustful pleasures, ²⁰ idolatry, sorcery, hostility, quarreling, jealousy, outbursts of anger, selfish ambition, dissension, division, ²¹ envy, drunkenness, wild parties, and other sins like these. Let me tell you again, as I have before, that anyone living that sort of life will not inherit the Kingdom of God. ²² But the Holy Spirit produces this kind of fruit in our lives: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, ²³ gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against these things! ²⁴ Those who belong to Christ Jesus have nailed the passions and desires of their sinful nature to his cross and crucified them there. ²⁵ Since we are living by the Spirit, let us follow the Spirit's leading in every part of our lives. ²⁶ Let us not become conceited, or provoke one another, or be jealous of one another."*

- What "fruit" do you long for the Spirit to develop in you?

Day Five | Read Psalm 46:10

¹⁰ *"Be still, and know that I am God! I will be honored by every nation. I will be honored throughout the world."*

- What makes silence and stillness difficult for you? What do you need to lean into it?