

Daily Bible Study and Prayers for the week of January 27, 2025

(Suggestion: put your answers into your computer or in a notebook, to allow God to speak to you fully through the wonder of the writing process.

Pastor Dan's answers will be on the back of next week's DBS.)

Monday - Read Hebrews 3:16-4:11

[Warning: this first question of the week will take a bit of effort to answer. If you get stuck, come back to it another day.]

Question – What was/is this **“rest”** that the author says:

- a. Awaited Israel?
- b. Awaits for us now every week, while we are still living?
- c. Awaits for us now, while we are still living, in regards to our salvation?

How can you and I qualify to enter this rest? What do we have to do?

How can you and I disqualify ourselves?

Prayer For Today – Pray today by imagining what it will be like in heaven.

Tuesday - Read Hebrews 4:12-13

Question – What is **“the word of God”** (v. 12) that judges our thoughts and attitudes? And what are 3 adjectives and 2 verbs which the writer of Hebrews used to describe it?

Prayer For Today – Pray a prayer of confession, telling God you are sorry for your hurtful, selfish and sinful thoughts, attitudes and actions of today or yesterday.

Wednesday - Read Hebrews 4:14-16

Question – Knowing our sinfulness, what is there about Jesus that gives us confidence to approach God?

Prayer For Today – Pray for spiritual confidence to approach God in prayer.

Thursday - Read Hebrews 5:1-10

Question – Does the word **“obey”** in v. 9 (instead of the word “believe”, as in “he became the source of eternal salvation for all who believe in him”) surprise you?

Prayer For Today – Pray for God's grace to overcome that one sin that you're still struggling with.

Friday - Read Hebrews 5:11-14

Question – Wow? Which person are you? Do you need “milk” teachings (the basic **“truths of God's word”**)? Or are you ready to be given **“solid food”**, because you have trained yourself **“to distinguish good from evil”** by your consistent use of the means of grace?

Prayer For Today – Pray for any “milk” drinking Christians you know who should, by now, be eating “solid food”, that the Holy Spirit may help them to mature in their walk with the Lord.

Saturday - Read Hebrews 6:1-3

Question – Did you spot the phrase which John Wesley knew as “going on to perfection”? Which of the **“elementary teachings about Christ”** listed in verses 1-2 do you not understand?

Prayer For Today – Pray for “young” Christians in the faith.

Sunday - Read Hebrews 6:4-8

Question – Is this saying that a Christian who falls away and doesn't believe in Jesus anymore, and doesn't live a Christian life anymore can't come back to the faith?

Prayer For Today – Pray for someone who is on the “edge” of falling away!