

17. (Week of December 18, 2016)

God's Covenant with Israel**Joshua 1; 3:1-5:12**

Memory Verse: *"This Book of the Law shall not depart from your mouth, but you shall meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do according to all that is written in it. For then you will make your way prosperous, and then you will have good success"* (Josh 1:8 ESV).

Sun: Joshua 1:1-11 – What promises does God make to Joshua? What exhortations does he give him?

Mon: Joshua 3:1-8 – Why did God command Israel to use the ark of the covenant in crossing the Jordan River? What did it represent?

Tue: Joshua 3:9-17 – How was the crossing of the Jordan River similar to the crossing of the Red Sea in Exodus 13? (See Josh. 3:7.)

Wed: Joshua 4:1-11 – What was the significance of the twelve stones?

Thu: Joshua 4:14-24 – Why did the LORD dry up the waters of the Jordan River (v. 24)?

Fri: Joshua 5:1-9 – What was the significance of this act of circumcision? (Compare Gen. 17:9-14.)

Sat: Joshua 5:10-12 – What was the significance of this Passover? (Compare Ex. 13:3-10.)

18. (Week of December 25, 2016)

God's Covenant with Israel**Joshua 5:13-6:27; 8:30-35; 11:16-23; 21:43-45; 23-24**

Memory Verse: *"Choose this day whom you will serve . . . But as for me and my house, we will serve the LORD"* (Josh. 24:15 ESV).

Sun: Joshua 5:13-15; 6:1-11 – Why did the LORD command Israel to use the ark of the covenant in this march around Jericho? What did it represent?

Mon: Joshua 6:12-16, 20-21, 24 – How did the Israelites conquer the city of Jericho? See Hebrews 11:30.

Tue: Joshua 8:30-35; 11:16-18, 23; 21:43-45 – What was the point of writing and reading the Book of the Law in Joshua 8:30-35? How did God fulfill his covenant promises to Abraham (11:23; 21:43-45)?

Wed: Joshua 23:1-11 – What reminders and what counsel does the old man Joshua give to Israel?

Thu: Joshua 23:12-16 – What warning does Joshua give to Israel if they transgress the covenant?

Fri: Joshua 24:1-13 – List all the wonderful things God had done for Israel. What has the Lord done for you?

Sat: Joshua 24:14-28 – In light of all the wonderful things the LORD had done for Israel, what covenant do the people make with him? What covenant have you made with the Lord?

19. (Week of January 1, 2017)

God's Covenant with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob**Psalm 105**

Memory Verse: *Oh give thanks to the LORD; call upon his name; make known his deeds among the peoples!* (Ps. 105:1 ESV)

Sun: Psalm 105:1-6 – What does the Psalmist exhort God's people to do? In prayer obey these exhortations right now!

Mon: Psalm 105:7-15 – What was the covenant that God made with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob? How did God protect the patriarchs?

Tue: Psalm 105:16-22 – How do you see the sovereignty of God at work in these verses?

Wed: Psalm 105:23-25 – What covenant promise to Israel did God fulfill in these verses? (See Gen. 15:5, 13; Ex. 1:7.)

Thu: Psalm 105:26-36 – Which of the ten plagues in Egypt does the Psalmist recount here?

Fri: Psalm 105:37-41 – How did the LORD provide for his people Israel? How has he provided for you?

Sat: Psalm 105:42-45 – What is the "holy promise" that God remembered in verse 42? (See Ps. 105:8-11.) Why did God give Israel the land of Canaan (v. 45)?

20. (Week of January 8, 2017)

God's Covenant with Israel**Judges 2-4**

Memory Verse: *In those days there was no king in Israel. Everyone did what was right in his own eyes* (Judg. 21:25 ESV).

Sun: Judges 2:1-10 – The LORD promised never to break his covenant with Israel? How and why did Israel break its covenant with the LORD? Are we drifting from the LORD?

Mon: Judges 2:11-19 – What repeating cycle in the history of Israel is recorded here?

Tue: Judges 2:20-3:6 – What was the LORD's response to the people of Israel transgressing his covenant?

Wed: Judges 3:7-11 – Trace the repeating cycle of Judges 2:11-19 (Tuesday's reading) in today's reading.

Thu: Judges 4:1-9 – Why did the LORD sell Israel into the hand of Jabin, king of Canaan? Who did the LORD raise up to deliver Israel?

Fri: Judges 4:10-16 – How did the LORD deliver the Canaanites into the hands of Israel?

Sat: Judges 4:17-24; 21:25 – Who is given credit for the victory over Canaan in Judges 4:23? According to Judges 21:25, what was life like in Israel during the days of the judges and why?