

2020
GENERATION OF
LIGHT YOUTH
DEVOTIONAL
WEEK 10

DAY 64: EMPLOYERS & EMPLOYEES

PRAY THIS PRAYER: GOD, I THANK YOU THAT I KNOW YOUR VOICE AND THAT YOU WILL SPEAK TO ME AS I READ AND STUDY YOUR WORD TODAY.

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READING:

1 TIMOTHY 6:1-2, THE PASSION TRANSLATION:
INSTRUCT EVERY EMPLOYEE TO RESPECT AND HONOR THEIR EMPLOYERS, FOR THIS ATTITUDE PRESENTS TO THEM A CLEAR TESTIMONY OF GOD'S TRUTH AND RENOWN. TELL THEM TO NEVER PROVIDE THEM WITH A REASON TO DISCREDIT GOD'S NAME BECAUSE OF THEIR ACTIONS. 2 ESPECIALLY HONOR AND RESPECT EMPLOYERS WHO ARE BELIEVERS AND DON'T DESPISE THEM, BUT SERVE THEM ALL THE MORE, FOR THEY ARE FELLOW BELIEVERS. THEY SHOULD BE AT PEACE WITH THEM AS BELOVED MEMBERS OF GOD'S FAMILY. BE FAITHFUL TO TEACH THEM THESE THINGS AS THEIR SACRED OBLIGATION.

NOW ANSWER SOME QUESTIONS ABOUT WHAT YOU READ. THERE IS NO RIGHT OR WRONG ANSWER. JUST WRITE WHAT YOU BELIEVE GOD IS SPEAKING TO YOU.

IMAGINE THAT YOU ARE EMPLOYED BY SOMEONE. HOW CAN YOU SHOW HONOUR AND RESPECT TO YOUR EMPLOYER? _____

WHAT ARE SOME THINGS THAT SOME EMPLOYEES DO THAT ARE DISRESPECTFUL TO THEIR EMPLOYER?

IMAGINE YOU ARE WORKING FOR SOMEONE WHO IS NOT A CHRISTIAN. DO YOU THINK SHOWING HONOUR AND RESPECT TO YOUR EMPLOYER CAN HELP LEAD THEM TO CHRIST? WHY OR WHY NOT?

DAY 65: LAZINESS IS NOT PROFITABLE

PRAY THIS PRAYER: GOD, I THANK YOU THAT I KNOW YOUR VOICE AND THAT YOU WILL SPEAK TO ME AS I READ AND STUDY YOUR WORD TODAY.

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READING:

PROVERBS 6:6-11, THE MESSAGE:

6-11 YOU LAZY FOOL, LOOK AT AN ANT. WATCH IT CLOSELY; LET IT TEACH YOU A THING OR TWO. NOBODY HAS TO TELL IT WHAT TO DO. ALL SUMMER IT STORES UP FOOD; AT HARVEST IT STOCKPILES PROVISIONS. SO HOW LONG ARE YOU GOING TO LAZE AROUND DOING NOTHING? HOW LONG BEFORE YOU GET OUT OF BED? A NAP HERE, A NAP THERE, A DAY OFF HERE, A DAY OFF THERE, SIT BACK, TAKE IT EASY—DO YOU KNOW WHAT COMES NEXT? JUST THIS: YOU CAN LOOK FORWARD TO A DIRT-POOR LIFE, POVERTY YOUR PERMANENT HOUSEGUEST!

PROVERBS 12:24, LIVING BIBLE:

WORK HARD AND BECOME A LEADER; BE LAZY AND NEVER SUCCEED.

PROVERBS 13:4, NEW CENTURY VERSION:

THE LAZY WILL NOT GET WHAT THEY WANT, BUT THOSE WHO WORK HARD WILL.

NOW ANSWER SOME QUESTIONS ABOUT WHAT YOU READ. THERE IS NO RIGHT OR WRONG ANSWER. JUST WRITE WHAT YOU BELIEVE GOD IS SPEAKING TO YOU.

WHAT ARE SOME LESSONS THAT WE CAN LEARN FROM ANTS? _____

WHAT MAKES SOMEONE A GOOD LEADER? WHAT DOES A GOOD LEADER LOOK LIKE? _____

WE HAVE ALL BEEN GUILTY OF BEING LAZY AT ONE TIME. WHAT ARE SOME THINGS IN YOUR LIFE THAT YOU CAN CHANGE TO STAY AWAY FROM BECOMING A LAZY PERSON? _____

DAY 66: HONOUR THE LORD WITH YOUR POSSESSIONS

PRAY THIS PRAYER: GOD, I THANK YOU THAT I KNOW YOUR VOICE AND THAT YOU WILL SPEAK TO ME AS I READ AND STUDY YOUR WORD TODAY.

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READING:

PROVERBS 3:5-10 THE MESSAGE:

5-12 TRUST GOD FROM THE BOTTOM OF YOUR HEART; DON'T TRY TO FIGURE OUT EVERYTHING ON YOUR OWN. LISTEN FOR GOD'S VOICE IN EVERYTHING YOU DO, EVERYWHERE YOU GO; HE'S THE ONE WHO WILL KEEP YOU ON TRACK. DON'T ASSUME THAT YOU KNOW IT ALL. RUN TO GOD! RUN FROM EVIL! YOUR BODY WILL GLOW WITH HEALTH, YOUR VERY BONES WILL VIBRATE WITH LIFE! HONOR GOD WITH EVERYTHING YOU OWN; GIVE HIM THE FIRST AND THE BEST. YOUR BARNES WILL BURST, YOUR WINE VATS WILL BRIM OVER.

NOW ANSWER SOME QUESTIONS ABOUT WHAT YOU READ. THERE IS NO RIGHT OR WRONG ANSWER. JUST WRITE WHAT YOU BELIEVE GOD IS SPEAKING TO YOU.

WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO TRUST IN THE LORD? _____

HAS GOD EVER SPOKEN TO YOU? WHAT DID HE SAY? _____

HOW DO WE HONOUR GOD WITH THE FIRST AND BEST OF WHAT WE HAVE? _____

DAY 67: GOD'S FAVOUR

PRAY THIS PRAYER: GOD, I THANK YOU THAT I KNOW YOUR VOICE AND THAT YOU WILL SPEAK TO ME AS I READ AND STUDY YOUR WORD TODAY.

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READING:

PROVERBS 8:12, NEW LIFE VERSION:

"I, WISDOM, LIVE WITH UNDERSTANDING, AND I FIND MUCH LEARNING AND CAREFUL THINKING.

PSALM 44:3 NEW LIVING TRANSLATION:

THEY DID NOT CONQUER THE LAND WITH THEIR SWORDS; IT WAS NOT THEIR OWN STRONG ARM THAT GAVE THEM VICTORY. IT WAS YOUR RIGHT HAND AND STRONG ARM AND THE BLINDING LIGHT FROM YOUR FACE THAT HELPED THEM, FOR YOU LOVED THEM.

EXODUS 3:21, NEW LIVING TRANSLATION:

AND I WILL CAUSE THE EGYPTIANS TO LOOK FAVORABLY ON YOU. THEY WILL GIVE YOU GIFTS WHEN YOU GO SO YOU WILL NOT LEAVE EMPTY-HANDED.

NOW ANSWER SOME QUESTIONS ABOUT WHAT YOU READ. THERE IS NO RIGHT OR WRONG ANSWER. JUST WRITE WHAT YOU BELIEVE GOD IS SPEAKING TO YOU.

WHAT DO YOU THINK IT MEANS TO HAVE FAVOUR WITH SOMEONE? _____

DO YOU THINK YOU HAVE GOD'S FAVOUR IN YOUR LIFE? WHY OR WHY NOT? _____

THE BIBLE TALKS A LOT ABOUT WISDOM. WHAT IS WISDOM AND WHY DO YOU THINK IT'S SO IMPORTANT? _____

DAY 68: MAN SERVING MONEY VS. MONEY SERVING MAN

PRAY THIS PRAYER: GOD, I THANK YOU THAT I KNOW YOUR VOICE AND THAT YOU WILL SPEAK TO ME AS I READ AND STUDY YOUR WORD TODAY.

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READING:

MARK 10:17-22, THE PASSION TRANSLATION:

17 AS JESUS STARTED ON HIS WAY, A MAN CAME RUNNING UP TO HIM. KNEELING DOWN IN FRONT OF HIM, HE CRIED OUT, "GOOD TEACHER, WHAT ONE THING AM I REQUIRED TO DO TO GAIN ETERNAL LIFE?" 18 JESUS RESPONDED, "WHY DO YOU CALL ME GOOD? ONLY GOD IS TRULY GOOD. 19 YOU ALREADY KNOW THE COMMANDMENTS: 'DO NOT MURDER, DO NOT COMMIT ADULTERY, DO NOT STEAL, DO NOT GIVE A FALSE TESTIMONY, DO NOT CHEAT, AND HONOR YOUR FATHER AND MOTHER.'" 20 THE MAN SAID TO JESUS, "TEACHER, I HAVE CAREFULLY OBEYED THESE LAWS SINCE MY YOUTH." 21 JESUS FIXED HIS GAZE UPON THE MAN, WITH TENDER LOVE, AND SAID TO HIM, "YET THERE IS STILL ONE THING IN YOU LACKING. GO, SELL ALL THAT YOU HAVE AND GIVE THE MONEY TO THE POOR. THEN ALL OF YOUR TREASURE WILL BE IN HEAVEN. AFTER YOU'VE DONE THIS, COME BACK AND WALK WITH ME." 22 COMPLETELY SHOCKED BY JESUS' ANSWER, HE TURNED AND WALKED AWAY VERY SAD, FOR HE WAS EXTREMELY RICH.

NOW ANSWER THIS QUESTION ABOUT WHAT YOU READ. THERE IS NO RIGHT OR WRONG ANSWER. JUST WRITE WHAT YOU BELIEVE GOD IS SPEAKING TO YOU.

WHY DO YOU THINK JESUS TOLD THE MAN TO SELL EVERYTHING AND GIVE TO THE POOR?

WHAT DO YOU THINK IT MEANS TO HAVE TREASURE IN HEAVEN? _____

WHY DO YOU THINK IT WAS DIFFICULT FOR THE MAN TO DO WHAT JESUS TOLD HIM TO DO?

DAY 69: INSERT YOUR NAME IN THE BLESSING

PRAY THIS PRAYER: GOD, I THANK YOU THAT I KNOW YOUR VOICE AND THAT YOU WILL SPEAK TO ME AS I READ AND STUDY YOUR WORD TODAY.

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READING:

DEUTERONOMY 28:1-14, NEW CENTURY VERSION:

28 YOU MUST COMPLETELY OBEY THE LORD YOUR GOD, AND YOU MUST CAREFULLY FOLLOW ALL HIS COMMANDS I AM GIVING YOU TODAY. THEN THE LORD YOUR GOD WILL MAKE YOU GREATER THAN ANY OTHER NATION ON EARTH. 2 OBEY THE LORD YOUR GOD SO THAT ALL THESE BLESSINGS WILL COME AND STAY WITH YOU: 3 YOU WILL BE BLESSED IN THE CITY AND BLESSED IN THE COUNTRY. 4 YOUR CHILDREN WILL BE BLESSED, AS WELL AS YOUR CROPS; YOUR HERDS WILL BE BLESSED WITH CALVES AND YOUR FLOCKS WITH LAMBS. 5 YOUR BASKET AND YOUR KITCHEN WILL BE BLESSED. 6 YOU WILL BE BLESSED WHEN YOU COME IN AND WHEN YOU GO OUT. 7 THE LORD WILL HELP YOU DEFEAT THE ENEMIES THAT COME TO FIGHT YOU. THEY WILL ATTACK YOU FROM ONE DIRECTION, BUT THEY WILL RUN FROM YOU IN SEVEN DIRECTIONS. 8 THE LORD YOUR GOD WILL BLESS YOU WITH FULL BARNES, AND HE WILL BLESS EVERYTHING YOU DO. HE WILL BLESS THE LAND HE IS GIVING YOU. 9 THE LORD WILL MAKE YOU HIS HOLY PEOPLE, AS HE PROMISED. BUT YOU MUST OBEY HIS COMMANDS AND DO WHAT HE WANTS YOU TO DO. 10 THEN EVERYONE ON EARTH WILL SEE THAT YOU ARE THE LORD'S PEOPLE, AND THEY WILL BE AFRAID OF YOU. 11 THE LORD WILL MAKE YOU RICH: YOU WILL HAVE MANY CHILDREN, YOUR ANIMALS WILL HAVE MANY YOUNG, AND YOUR LAND WILL GIVE GOOD CROPS. IT IS THE LAND THAT THE LORD PROMISED YOUR ANCESTORS HE WOULD GIVE TO YOU. 12 THE LORD WILL OPEN UP HIS HEAVENLY STOREHOUSE SO THAT THE SKIES SEND RAIN ON YOUR LAND AT THE RIGHT TIME, AND HE WILL BLESS EVERYTHING YOU DO. YOU WILL LEND TO OTHER NATIONS, BUT YOU WILL NOT NEED TO BORROW FROM

THEM. 13 THE LORD WILL MAKE YOU LIKE THE HEAD AND NOT LIKE THE TAIL; YOU WILL BE ON TOP AND NOT ON BOTTOM. BUT YOU MUST OBEY THE COMMANDS OF THE LORD YOUR GOD THAT I AM GIVING YOU TODAY, BEING CAREFUL TO KEEP THEM. 14 DO NOT DISOBEY ANYTHING I COMMAND YOU TODAY. DO EXACTLY AS I COMMAND, AND DO NOT FOLLOW OTHER GODS OR SERVE THEM.

NOW ANSWER SOME QUESTIONS ABOUT WHAT YOU READ. THERE IS NO RIGHT OR WRONG ANSWER. JUST WRITE WHAT YOU BELIEVE GOD IS SPEAKING TO YOU.

READ DEUTERONOMY 28:1-14 OUT LOUD. REPLACE THE WORDS "YOU" AND "YOUR" WITH YOUR NAME. HOW DO YOU FEEL ABOUT ALL THE BLESSINGS THAT GOD HAS PROMISED YOU?

GOD PROMISES TO BLESS US WHEN WE OBEY HIM. WHAT ARE SOME BLESSINGS YOU HAVE RECEIVED FROM OBEYING GOD? _____

WHAT ARE SOME WAYS YOU STRUGGLE TO OBEY GOD? _____

DAY 70: I AM A CHILD OF GOD

PRAY THIS PRAYER: GOD, I THANK YOU THAT I KNOW YOUR VOICE AND THAT YOU WILL SPEAK TO ME AS I READ AND STUDY YOUR WORD TODAY.

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READING:

1 PETER 1:23, NEW LIVING TRANSLATION:

FOR YOU HAVE BEEN BORN AGAIN, BUT NOT TO A LIFE THAT WILL QUICKLY END. YOUR NEW LIFE WILL LAST FOREVER BECAUSE IT COMES FROM THE ETERNAL, LIVING WORD OF GOD.

JOHN 1:12-13, NEW CENTURY VERSION:

12 BUT TO ALL WHO DID ACCEPT HIM AND BELIEVE IN HIM HE GAVE THE RIGHT TO BECOME CHILDREN OF GOD. 13 THEY DID NOT BECOME HIS CHILDREN IN ANY HUMAN WAY—BY ANY HUMAN PARENTS OR HUMAN DESIRE. THEY WERE BORN OF GOD.

GALATIANS 3:26, NEW LIVING TRANSLATION:

FOR YOU ARE ALL CHILDREN OF GOD THROUGH FAITH IN CHRIST JESUS.

NOW ANSWERS SOME QUESTIONS ABOUT WHAT YOU READ. THERE IS NO RIGHT OR WRONG ANSWER. JUST WRITE WHAT YOU BELIEVE GOD IS SPEAKING TO YOU.

WHAT DO YOU THINK IT MEANS TO BE "BORN AGAIN" OR "BORN OF GOD"? _____

DO YOU SEE GOD AS A FATHER OR A PARENT? WHY OR WHY NOT? _____

DO YOU CONSIDER YOURSELF TO BE "BORN AGAIN" OR A CHILD OF GOD? WHY OR WHY NOT?

