

A Day By Day Guide

Day by Day Guide for Praying through the New Testament in One Year

As you read each day's passage from the New Testament, spend a few minutes in prayer inspired by the passage and the thoughts below.

Monday, January 26 – Matthew 17:10-27 – Tell God about the mountain in your life that you need flung into the sea. Show your mustard seed faith that God will handle it for you as you refuse to manipulate or control the outcome. Watch God work!

Tuesday, January 27 – Matthew 18:1-20 – Pray today for the person who is creating a challenge/problem for you or has offended you. Ask God if you should go to that person and talk to them about the problem. Ask God to give you the right Spirit.

Wednesday, January 28 – Matthew 18:21-19:12 – Following on yesterday's passage and prayer, ask God to give you a desire and the faith to forgive the person who has hurt you even if they have not asked for it or owned the problem. Forgiveness does not mean that you have to subject yourself to further harm.

Thursday, January 29 – Matthew 19:13-30 – What person or idea comes between you and obeying God? List it below and give it up to God. Trust Him with it with the dependence of a child.

Friday, January 30 – Matthew 20:1-28 – Worried about your rights or getting what you deserve? Why not leave that to God and let him control your rights, hopes, rewards and future? He has your best interest in mind.

Saturday, January 31 – Matthew 20:29-21:22 – List those things in your life for which you can be grateful. Spend some time thanking God for these graces.

Sunday, February 1 – Matthew 21:23-46 – Spend a few moments in silence simply listening to God. He will speak to you in your fleeting thoughts. What is He saying as you relax and let Him speak? Write it out below.

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