
November 18 (Friday) **The Ultimate High Priest** Hebrews 9:1-15

1. What was the purpose of the earthly tabernacle's setting? (9:1-5)
2. Why was the tabernacle so important to the Israelites at that time? What did all the sacrifices, the duties of the priests represent?
3. What had Jesus done that all the other priests could not? What has been accomplished?
4. V.9 – Why is outward cleansing not sufficient? Do you consider yourself “cleansed” in your conscience? (v.14)
5. What difference from the past (when the tabernacle was still there) has Jesus brought about in the “new covenant?” (v.15) Do you see this change in your life?

My thought:

My prayer:

Nov 19 (Saturday) **Who is, who was and who is to come, the Almighty**
Revelation 1:1-8

1. What is John referring to as the “revelation from Jesus Christ?”
2. From here what is said about the authority of God's Word and the reason for us to follow?
3. In John's salutation in v.4-5a, what is shown of his consciousness and knowledge of God? Do you have this consciousness or knowledge when you read the Word of God and try to obey His commands?
4. John is able to see Christ as the Almighty who is, who was and who is to come, at the beginning and the end – are you willing and able to see Him this way? If yes, what in you would have to be changed?

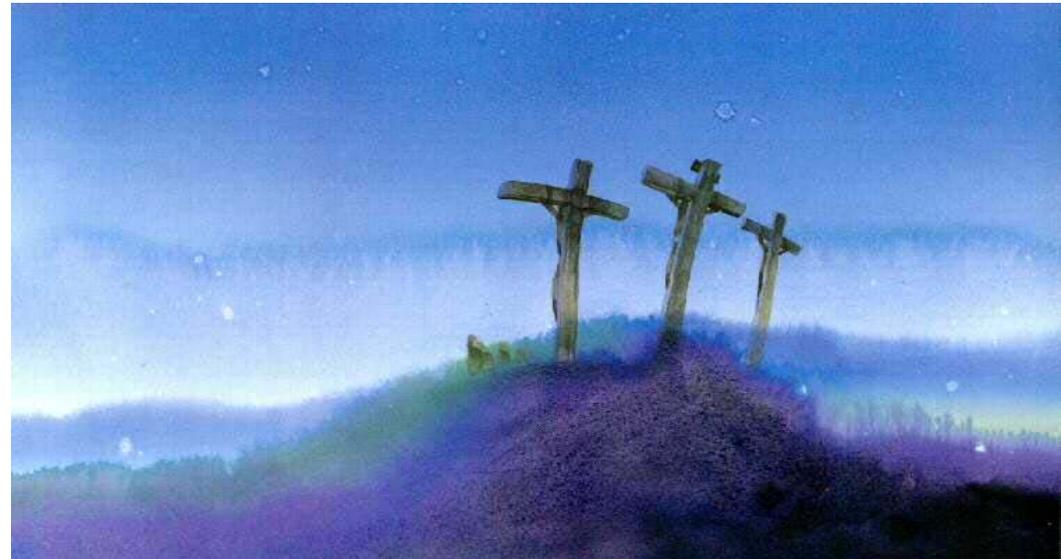
My thought:

My prayer:

November 20 (Sunday) **Reflection**

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Journeying with Jesus



1st Week

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1st Week: The Identity of Jesus

November 14 (Monday) **The Incarnation of Jesus Christ** John 1:1-5

1. How did John describe this Word, "Logos," in verses 1-5?
2. In verses 4-5, does the word "Light" described by John refer to Jesus Christ? What is the meaning for me of the phrase "Jesus is the true light of the world"?
3. Take time to recall, when did you experience God's glory like John the Baptist did? Have you shared these experiences with people?
4. In verse 14, John further explains that this person, the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, is Jesus Christ; what is the meaning of "the Word became flesh" for me, and what comfort does it bring to me?

My thought:

My prayer:

November 15 (Tuesday) **The Son of God Jesus Christ** Luke 1:26-38

1. In verses 28-29, after the angel appeared to Mary, what was special about her response? Why was she greatly troubled at the saying?
2. "O favored one, the Lord is with you". What does this "favor" refer to? Have I ever experienced favor from God? What response did I have to God?
3. In the story about the angel's appearance to Mary, what emphasis did Luke intentionally highlight?
4. Imagine Mary who was betrothed and not yet married to Joseph, but had to experience pregnancy as a virgin. What struggle would Mary have? In my faith journey, what struggles am I presently facing?
5. In this entire story, what was the most touching aspect about Mary that I would like to imitate? Why? Please share with God.
 - *In Hebrews, "Jesus" means "the Lord is my saviour"; In Greek, "Christ" means the anointed one, which can apply to prophet, priest or king.*

My thought:

My prayer:

November 16 (Wednesday) **Immanuel, God is with us** Matthew 1:18-25

1. Why did the birth of Jesus have to go through the virgin birth process?
2. Mary was not yet married to Joseph, but was pregnant. How would others look at them? What struggles would Joseph have? Why did Joseph finally obey the angel? What unique characteristics does this show about his life? Do I have such characteristics in my life?
3. What role do you think "human response" plays in God's plan? What are the implications to your spiritual life?
4. What does "Immanuel" mean? In my spiritual journey, have I ever experienced God's presence? In what ways can I experience God's presence?

My thought:

My prayer:

November 17 (Thursday) **The Promised King** Matthew 2:1-12

1. Who were these wise men from the East? What was their reaction when they knew that the king promised in the Old Testament was about to be born?
2. Can you compare the understandings and reactions of King Herod, the chief priests, the scribes, and the wise men concerning the birth of Jesus?
3. How did Matthew demonstrate in the passage that Jesus was the king promised in the Old Testament? What was this king's role?
4. From the guidance God gave to the wise men, what insights do you get about God's wisdom? What encouragements does this give you?
5. What meanings were in the gifts that the wise men had prepared? Today, what have I prepared for meeting the Promised King in my life?
 - *Eastern philosophers can be Babylonian elders; or wise men, from the Persian state, proficient in medicine, philosophy and science. Some people think they are astronomers mentioned in Daniel 20.*
 - *Gold symbolizes glory of God. Incense represents the holiness and purity of Jesus, the odor of His sinless human nature. Myrrh is for medical and burial usage. It symbolizes the death of Jesus.*

My thought:

My prayer: