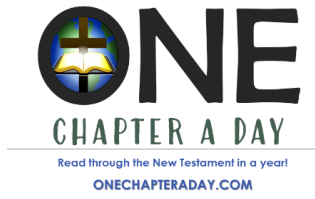


MEMORY VERSE OF THE WEEK: Acts 10:43

“To him all the prophets bear witness that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.”



MY NOTES

My Insights / My Questions

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 7

Read Acts 8

1. Saul persecuted the Christian community. What was their response? Does God sometimes bring difficulties into your life to make you “move!”? What happened?
 2. Phillip, a Greek speaking Jew (not the Apostle Phillip), was sent by the Holy Spirit to the Samaritans. Jews and Samaritans shared mutual animosity. Why would Phillip go there? What was their response? (Acts 8, 8). Can Christ use us today to break down walls of hostility?
 3. Phillip was a “rock star” preacher in Samaria. Yet God called him to a remote part of the desert in Israel. Did he go? What happened? Are you ready to go, give up everything, even a flourishing ministry, to follow Jesus?
- **Prayer: Lord, fill me with Your Spirit and give me an obedient heart, that I might hear and obey You.**

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 8

Read Acts 9

1. Saul, after his “success” supervising the stoning of Stephen, was pursuing more Christians, men and women. He was “blinded by the light” on the road to Damascus and confronted by Jesus. What is his response? Jesus tells us to love even our enemies and to pray for them. Does that command apply to even someone as destructive and murderous as Saul?
 2. Ananias received a vision. What was it about? What was Ananias’ response? Could he have been walking to his very death by following Jesus’ request? Would you have gone?
 3. What is the Greek name for Tabitha? She was known for her “social ministry”. She died. What happened next? To Tabitha? To the whole town?
- **Prayer: Lord, give me your Peace when you ask me to do something that, in our opinion, will “not turn our well”.**

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 9

Read Acts 10

1. Cornelius was a “devout man who feared God”. Yet he was a Roman military officer. As such, he understood authority. How do we live our Christian faith when put in positions of authority? Will people think that we are “soft” and can be intimidated or bullied because of our faith? Think of at least one important leader today who is a Christian.
 2. Peter, being a “good” Jew, was reluctant to take the Good News to the Gentiles. What happened in verses 9-21? What was Peter’s immediate response? Have we seen this rashness in Peter before? What is Jesus’ response? What does Peter do in verse 29?
 3. In verse 44, we see what is essentially a Gentile Pentecost (see Acts 2, 1-4). How does this reflect the prophecy in Joel 2:28? Does “all” mean really mean all?
- **Prayer: Holy Spirit, we praise you and thank you for loving us, even us Gentiles. Let us spread that love to our neighbors through a kind deed this week.**
