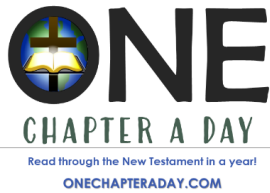


**MEMORY VERSE OF THE WEEK:**

*Matthew 19:26* Jesus looked at them and said: *With man this is impossible, but with God all things are possible.*



**MY NOTES**

**My Insights / My Questions**

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**MONDAY, OCTOBER 4**

**Read Matthew 19 – The Perfect Young Man**

1. Is it better to be single or married? Should we ask God to prepare us and bless us for whatever eventuality?
  2. Why do you think the young rich man was not prepared to repent? Ignorance, pride?
  3. What lessons would Luther’s explanations (and Matthew’s) of the 10 commandments say about the perfection of the young man?
- **Prayer:** *Lord be bless and strengthen the marriages that are part of our lives and teach us how to forgive.*

**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 5**

**Read Matthew 20—Laborers in the Vineyard**

1. Are the ways God does things always the way we would do them? How many times in Matthew’s Gospel so far has Jesus’ action or story surprised you?
  2. How does the laborers parable build on God’s message of salvation from the Matthew 19 rich young man’s story of failure to keep the law?
  3. How is Jesus’ prediction of His death a third and final time different than the first two times in Matthew?
- **Prayer:** *Lord bless the laborers and teach us to be thankful for their work to supply food and shelter.*

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 6**

**Read Matthew 21 - The Triumphal Entry**

1. Were the crowds on Palm Sunday shouting for the Messiah to save them from the wrath of the Romans or from the wrath of God?
  2. Jesus preaches many times in Matthew about hypocrisy and also about bearing good fruits. How are these two things related?
  3. How is the parable of the tenants a direct answer to the chief priests and elders’ inquiry about Jesus’s authority (see v 23-27 for a non-answer)?
- **Prayer:** *Lord, all good things we do for our neighbors come from you. Help us to bear good fruit.*

