



# Summer Blockbuster Reading Challenge

3 months—4 Gospels—Go!

## SUNDAY, JULY 31, 2022



### Take your Pulse

What hobby could you talk about all day long?

What subject bores you to tears?

### Today's Reading

Luke Chapter 17

The Gospels as written are not so much a clear, well written encyclopedia of all things theological. They are not even that good of a biography. Sometimes the authors seem to randomly mash together many of Jesus' sayings and teachings. This helps us in one way to understand what the author thought was important for us to know about Jesus. But it takes a while to fully comprehend statements like, "We are worthless slaves; we have done only what we ought to have done!" In the middle of these difficult passages is at least a familiar and comforting image of what it means to give thanks to Jesus for what Jesus has done in our life.



### Start the Thinking

The day and time of the end of this age is unknown to us. But we are given many passages to consider it may be as close to us as our next breath. Or it may be a long way off. Or it may happen when we least expect it. How does the uncertainty of knowing the end shape how you live your faith?



### Conversing with God

O Holy God, we praise and thank you for the gifts you have shared in our lives. You have healed us in ways we cannot count. You have counted us among your innumerable saints. We cannot express our thanks enough, and you still welcome us into a kingdom without end. Comfort us once again that we do not worry about an end, because in your kingdom there is none. In Jesus' holy name. Amen



### Be blessed

May the road rise up to meet you. May the wind always be at your back.  
May the sun shine warm upon your face, and rains fall soft upon your fields.  
And until we meet again, May God hold you in the palm of His hand.