One Year Bible Challenge, Week 2



Week 2

January 8-14, 2011[1. The notes, summaries and points on this page are intended as bookmarks of important matters which are covered in this week's readings. They are not intended as complete summaries of readings. Please forgive me if some of my summaries are not 100% on point. Read the manual—i.e. Bible—so that you will get a more clear understanding of the material. Thank you.
—*Tom Truex*]

This is the *"One Year Bible Challenge:"* to read the entire Bible in one year. Assuming a normal reading level, this can be done by spending about 10-15 minutes per day, each and every day. See **ReadTheWholeBible.COM** for more information. If you would like details so you can join us, or if you have any other questions, please call Tom Truex. Or send an email by using the CONTACT form on K-Line.ORG.

OLD TESTAMENT READINGS: Genesis 18:16-31:16
Themes and stories: Abraham bargains with God for the sake of Sodom. God agrees to not destroy it if Sodom held it even 10 righteous people. It didn't. God rained sulfur (brimstone) and fire on Sodom and Gomorrah. Lot's wife took a look and turned into a pillar of salt. Isaac was born to Abraham and Sarah in their old age. God tells Abraham to offer his only son, Isaac

as a burnt offering. Abraham obeys God. God provided a ram to substitute as the sacrifice in place of Isaac. Abraham's wife, Sarah, dies. Abraham grows old. Isaac gets a wife (see "discussion points," below). Abraham dies. Isaac has twin sons. Esau was born first, and technically had the "birthright"—he sold it to his brother, Jacob, for a bit of stew. Jacob pretended to be his older brother, Esau, so that his father, Isaac, gave him a special blessing. Jacob ran away to avoid his brother killing him for revenge. Jacob worked seven years for the father of the woman he wanted to marry. He was tricked into marrying the older sister, Leah, first. Jacob was allowed to marry Rachel, who was the woman he wanted to marry in the first place. But he had to work for Rachel's father for another seven years. Jacob had many sons; some by his wives, and some by his wife's maid. Jacob became wealthy, and decided to return home.
Key points: Eliezer: Profile of a true servant.
Psalms: Psalm 8:1-12:8
Proverbs: Proverbs 2:6-13:15

NEW TESTAMENT READINGS: Matthew 6:25-10:23
Themes and stories: Jesus teaches, among other things, to not worry too much, and not to be too critical of others (see "discussion points."). Jesus also performs miracles, including healing people. Jesus calms a storm at sea, and drives demons into a herd of pigs. Jesus heals a bleeding woman and restores a young girl to life. Jesus sent out his twelve disciples.
Key points: "Judge not, that you be not judged."

DISCUSSION POINTS AND VERSES – Christian Men's Breakfast only[2. Subject to change.]
The discussion notes (PDF / TEXT) for breakfast on Saturday, January 15, 2011 are now online – *"Judge not"*. In the Old Testament we discuss Abraham's servant, Eliezer. The New Testament discussion focuses on the scripture, "Judge not, that you be not judged." *Discussion verses:* Genesis 24 and Matthew 7:1-5

FOOTNOTES