

Study Guide

For the Week of November 9, 2008

This study guide is designed to help you to become more familiar with the Bible. Study these passages on your own, with a friend, or with a group. If you or someone you know needs a Bible, please take one from under a chair in the Worship Center. They are there for you to take home and use! Message manuscripts are available at www.spwired.com.

This week we'll be reading about some of the experiences of our spiritual ancestors. For each day's readings answer the following questions:

- How did this experience come about?
- Was it an expected event?
- How did those involved respond?
- How might God have made good come from it?

Monday— Read **2 Samuel chapters 11 and 12** in the Old Testament. Answer the questions above...

Tuesday--Read **Genesis chapter 38** in the Old Testament. This is the story of how Joseph was sold by his brothers in to slavery. He would experience many hardships in the years ahead, but would eventually rise to being the 2nd highest ruler in the land of Egypt. Later his brothers would come to him during a famine asking for food. They would not recognize him, but he would recognize them. Rather than retaliate he gives this response....**Read Genesis 45:1-5**. Answer the questions above

Wednesday—Read **2 Corinthians 11:23-33** in the New Testament. Here Paul is listing some of the experiences he went through as he spread the news about Jesus. In stating this he is defending himself to people who accused him of not being an authentic apostle of Jesus. Answer the questions above...

Thursday--Read **Matthew 26:17-75** in the New Testament. Answer the questions above...

Friday--Read **Matthew chapter 27** in the New Testament. Answer the questions above...