

STUDY GUIDE
7-26-10 TO 7-31 -10

The Study Guide is an opportunity for you to read and study the Bible on your own or with a friend. Each day's reading will only take a few minutes, but will serve as an opportunity for you to grow in your faith and to spend time connecting with God. Enjoy!

Prayer for the Week: Lord Jesus Christ, you have shown us what it means to be a servant. We ask now for your grace and strength to faithfully follow in the footsteps of servanthood. We pray in the name and spirit of Jesus. Amen.

MONDAY – Read Psalm 85. Select a verse or two to read and re-read several times. Allow the words to settle into your heart and listen for the quiet voice of God. If possible, memorize these words or write them on a piece of paper to read throughout the day.

TUESDAY –Read 2 Corinthians 8:9, 9: 8-11. How do we find contentment in troubled economic times? Paul suggests it is by seeking and discovering the heart of God about money and life. How often we put our hearts on the wrong things. As you reflect on today's reading, remember the church and your commitment to giving of your time as well as your money.

WEDNESDAY –Read 2 Samuel 11.2-5. It does not seem like times change. How many political figures, religious people and next door neighbors succumb to temptations like King David? How do you believe God helps us to remain faithful?

THURSDAY –Read Leviticus 20:10-12. Why were King David and Bathsheba not both put to death? Does it amaze you that God would still use a person like King David after he not only committed adultery but murder? Is there anyone that God would refuse to use for furthering the kingdom?

FRIDAY –Read John 8.1-11. We have two different ways of dealing with adultery in this passage. The men who have gathered around know what the book of Leviticus says, just as Jesus does. Why would Jesus not do what the bible instructs people to do?

SATURDAY --- Tomorrow Pastor Steve will preach on the *Three Solutions to Adultery*. In preparation for this sermon, please read **1 Samuel 11 & 12.** Be in prayer as we gather to worship God that the spirit will draw all of us who gather, into a closer relationship with God.