

Week 28

# DAILY BIBLE READINGS

July 8-14, 2024

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| Monday:    |               | Psalm 3 |
| Tuesday:   | 1 Kings 1-2   | Psalm 4 |
| Wednesday: | 1 Kings 3-4   | Psalm 5 |
| Thursday:  | 1 Kings 5-6   | Psalm 6 |
| Friday:    | 1 Kings 7     | Psalm 7 |
| Saturday:  | 1 Kings 8-9   | Psalm 8 |
| Sunday:    | 1 Kings 10-11 | Psalm 9 |

## Weekend Reflection

**"It pleased the Lord that Solomon had asked this." - 1 Kings 3:10**

Solomon could have asked for anything! God opened the door for him to do that (1 Kings 3:5). It was as if he handed him a blank check. He could have requested a long life, or glory, or military victory, or riches. But Solomon asked for wisdom.

Solomon felt the weight of his calling. And he knew that he could not do it on his own. He needed the Lord and his grace. And so he asked for it. And the Lord gave it to him in abundance (and so much more besides).

The wonderful thing is that God promises to give us wisdom when we ask for it (James 1:5). Are you struggling and weighed down with the weight of big decisions or unknowns in life. Call on God the way that Solomon called on him. Ask him for wisdom.

**It pleases the Lord when we turn to him!**

# SUNDAY SERMON

The sermon for Sunday, July 14 is on Philippians 3:1-11. Read this wonderful passage slowly and carefully before the gathering on Sunday!

## Faith Groups

- Who are the “dogs” Paul wants us to beware?
- What is confidence in the flesh, and what are some ways this sort of confidence could manifest itself today, in our lives?
- Why does he say that he “counts everything as loss”
- From where does Paul’s righteousness come?
- What does “attaining to the resurrection” mean?
- What are some ways we can apply this passage?