

# DAILY BIBLE READINGS

April 21-27, 2025

Monday:	Amos 5-6	Psalm 104
Tuesday:	Amos 7	Psalm 105
Wednesday:	Amos 8-9	Psalm 106
Thursday:		Psalm 107
Friday:	Obadiah	Psalm 108
Saturday:	Jonah	Psalm 109
Sunday:	Micah 1-3	Psalm 110

## Weekend Reflection

On Saturday we read the amazing (and true!) story of the prophet Jonah. From beginning to end, the book is about two very different postures towards sinful people. Jonah, the prophet, does not want to go to Nineveh because he does not want them to hear the Word of the Lord. What if they repent? He was sure God would show him mercy (see Jonah 4:2).

God is completely just and the sins of the city have not escaped his notice. That is why he sends Jonah with a word of warning. And when Jonah tries to dodge God on this, he colorfully redirects him back toward Nineveh in one of the most famous events of the Old Testament.

When Jonah finally does preach to the people there, his fears materialize. The people repent and God shows them grace and mercy. This infuriates Jonah. How can God show them mercy?!?

Oh, Jonah, if only you could see; God has shown you mercy too!

# SUNDAY SERMON

The sermon on Sunday, April 27, is on John 8:39-47. To prepare your heart and mind for the worship gathering, read this passage beforehand.

## Faith Groups

- What is the big picture of this passage? Why has the discussion turned to paternity?
- Why did the Pharisees respond the way they did in verse 41, and why is this so offensive?
- Why is it that they “cannot bear to hear” Jesus’ word?
- What are some practical implications of what Jesus teaches us about the devil, as it pertains to truth?
- Why do they not hear the words of Jesus (see verse 47)?