

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

April 7-13, 2025

Monday:	Hosea 3:1-5:7	Psalm 90
Tuesday:	Hosea 5:8-7:16	Psalm 91
Wednesday:	Hosea 8:1-9:9	Psalm 92
Thursday:	Hosea 9:10-10:15	Psalm 93
Friday:	Hosea 11:1-11	Psalm 94
Saturday:	Hosea 11:12-13:16	Psalm 95
Sunday:	Hosea 14	Psalm 96

Weekend Reflection

This week, we read Psalm 94 again. Verse 12 says, "Blessed is the man whom you discipline, O Lord..."

For many, this seems like a contradiction. A man under the discipline of God is blessed! Discipline, for sure, does not feel like a blessing. It hurts to be disciplined. But the Psalmist seems to think that that man, though hurt by the disciplining hand of God is "happy". How so?

Hebrews 12:5-11 explains this. If God is disciplining us, it is because he loves us, he is treating us as sons, it is so that we might live, it is for our good, it helps us to share in his holiness, and it yields the peaceable fruit of righteousness to those who have been trained by it.

So that person is happy! God's discipline is a kindness towards us, not a punishment. Be trained by it!

SUNDAY SERMON

The sermon on Palm Sunday, April 13, is on Isaiah 53. Take some time, especially in this season, to read through Isaiah 53. It will be a blessing, and help prepare your heart for the preaching of God's Word.

Faith Groups

- What are some ways that Isaiah 53 should be special for believers? What does it teach us about the Bible?
- Why did the Father afflict the Suffering Servant?
- Why did we hide our faces from him?
- How does this relate with Palm Sunday?
- What are some practical ways we should apply this passage?