

Newington '25 – 'A Year in the Gospels' together #33 (July 14-19)

July 14-19/ Day 1: Read Luke 18:1-18:

Q. What causes you to lose hope and to lose heart in your communications with God?

Q. What leads you to give up on prayer or power of prayer? What can we do to get out of any pitfalls to prayer?

July 14-19/ Day 2: Read Luke 18:9-14:

Q. How can we balance our assurance of salvation with humility before the throne of grace?

Q. In what ways can Christians today sometimes become like the Pharisee of this parable?

July 14-19/ Day 3: Read Matthew 19:1-12:

Q. Describe God's view of divorce? How is this different than the world's view of divorce?

Q. If God designed & intended us for unity in marriage, why does he then permit divorce under the Mosaic law?

July 14-19/ Day 4: Read Mark 10:1-12:

Q. How does the biblical concept of adultery differ from that used in the world today?

Q. Why do you think fidelity and unity in marriage is so important to God?

Divorce is one of the most painful things in life. ***Q. What can we do to help those with the pain of divorce?***

July 14-19/ Day 5: Read Matthew 19:13-15; Mark 10:13-16; Luke 18:15-17:

Q. What do you think it means to receive the Kingdom of God like a child?

The gospel writers make it clear that Jesus was displeased with the actions of His disciples. ***Q. Why do you think we often ignore the righteous indignation that Jesus displays? Q. What can we learn from his display of anger?***

July 14-19/ Day 6: Study and Meditation – Consider the following questions:

Q. Are there specific ways or areas that you are challenging God in the same way we see both the Pharisees and disciples challenging Jesus in these passages? If so, why?

Q. What hope do you find in your communication with God? What fears or doubts? Q. What promises do you hold onto when it comes to the concept of God hearing and answering your prayers?