



Weekly Bible Study Resources

***Bible verse translations for your weekly study***

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**For Thanksgiving 2014**

**Golden Text**

**I Chronicles 29:13, 14 VOICE** - our God, we testify about Your greatness and praise Your glorious name. <sup>14</sup> All *our offerings* come from You, so we can give You nothing that isn't already Yours.

**Responsive Reading**

**Malachi 3:10 MSG** - Bring your full tithe to the Temple treasury so there will be ample provisions in my Temple. Test me in this and see if I don't open up heaven itself to you and pour out blessings beyond your wildest dreams.

**NLT** - Bring all the tithes into the storehouse so there will be enough food in my Temple. If you do," says the Lord of Heaven's Armies, "I will open the windows of heaven for you. I will pour out a blessing so great you won't have enough room to take it in! Try it! Put me to the test!

**CEB** - Bring the whole tenth-part to the storage house so there might be food in my house. Please test me in this, says the LORD of heavenly forces. See whether I do not open all the windows of the heavens for you and empty out a blessing until there is enough.

**II Corinthians 9:6-11 this NLT -6** Remember this—a farmer who plants only a few seeds will get a small crop. But the one who plants generously will get a generous crop. **7** You must each decide in your heart how much to give. And don't give reluctantly or in response to pressure. "For God loves a person who gives cheerfully."<sup>[c]</sup> **8** And God will generously provide all you need. Then you will always have everything you need and plenty left over to share with others. **9** As the Scriptures say, "They share freely and give generously to the poor. Their good deeds will be remembered forever."<sup>[d]</sup> **10** For God is the one who provides seed for the farmer and then bread to eat. In the same way, he will provide and increase your resources and then produce a great harvest of generosity<sup>[e]</sup> in you. **11** Yes, you will be enriched in every way so that you can always be generous. And when we take your gifts to those who need them, they will thank God.

**Section 1**

**Deuteronomy 15:6 (to :), 11 NLT - 6** The Lord your God will bless you as he has promised. <sup>11</sup> I am commanding you to share freely with the poor and with other Israelites in need.

**Ruth 2:1, 2 (to 1st .), 5, 6, 8, 10–12 NLT** - Now there was a wealthy and influential man in Bethlehem named Boaz, who was a relative of Naomi's husband, Elimelech. **2** One day Ruth the Moabite said to

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Naomi, “Let me go out into the harvest fields to pick up the stalks of grain left behind by anyone who is kind enough to let me do it.” **5** Then Boaz asked his foreman, “Who is that young woman over there? Who does she belong to?” **6** And the foreman replied, “She is the young woman from Moab who came back with Naomi. **8** Boaz went over and said to Ruth, “Listen, my daughter. Stay right here with us when you gather grain; don’t go to any other fields. Stay right behind the young women working in my field. **10** Ruth fell at his feet and thanked him warmly. “What have I done to deserve such kindness?” she asked. “I am only a foreigner.” **11** “Yes, I know,” Boaz replied. “But I also know about everything you have done for your mother-in-law since the death of your husband. I have heard how you left your father and mother and your own land to live here among complete strangers. **12** May the Lord, the God of Israel, under whose wings you have come to take refuge, reward you fully for what you have done.”

**Philippians 4:4, 6, 19 PHIL - 4** Delight yourselves in God, yes, find your joy in him at all times. <sup>6</sup> Don’t worry over anything whatever; tell God every detail of your needs in earnest and thankful prayer, and the peace of God <sup>19</sup> My God will supply all that you need from his glorious resources in Christ Jesus.

## Section 2

**Romans 12:9 (to 1st .), 20 if (to ;) NLT - 9** Don’t just pretend to love others. Really love them. <sup>20</sup> If your enemies are hungry, feed them.

**I Samuel 25:14–17 one (to :), 18, 23, 24 (to :), 28, 32, 33, 35 MSG – <sup>14-17</sup>** one of the young shepherds told Abigail, Nabal’s wife, what had happened: “David sent messengers from the backcountry to salute our master, but he tore into them with insults. Yet these men treated us very well. They took nothing from us and didn’t take advantage of us all the time we were in the fields. They formed a wall around us, protecting us day and night all the time we were out tending the sheep. Do something quickly because big trouble is ahead for our master and all of us. <sup>18</sup> Abigail flew into action. She took two hundred loaves of bread, two skins of wine, five sheep dressed out and ready for cooking, a bushel of roasted grain, a hundred raisin cakes, and two hundred fig cakes, and she had it all loaded on some donkeys. <sup>23,24</sup> As soon as Abigail saw David, she got off her donkey and fell on her knees at his feet, her face to the ground in homage, saying, “My master, let me take the blame! **28** “Forgive my presumption! But God is at work in my master, developing a rule solid and dependable. My master fights God’s battles! As long as you live no evil will stick to you. **32-33** And David said, “Blessed be God, the God of Israel. He sent you to meet me! And blessed be your good sense! Bless you for keeping me from murder and taking charge of looking out for me. **35** Then David accepted the gift she brought him and said, “Return home in peace. I’ve heard what you’ve said and I’ll do what you’ve asked.”

**Psalms 118:1 CEB -** Give thanks to the Lord because he is good, because his faithful love lasts forever.

**Colossians 3:17 NLT - 17** And whatever you do or say, do it as a representative of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks through him to God the Father.

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### Section 3

**Luke 7:37–40 (to 1st .), 44, 46, 47 (to :)** **NLT** – 37-40 When a certain immoral woman from that city heard he was eating there, she brought a beautiful alabaster jar filled with expensive perfume.<sup>38</sup> Then she knelt behind him at his feet, weeping. Her tears fell on his feet, and she wiped them off with her hair. Then she kept kissing his feet and putting perfume on them.<sup>39</sup> When the Pharisee who had invited him saw this, he said to himself, “If this man were a prophet, he would know what kind of woman is touching him. She’s a sinner!”<sup>40</sup> Then Jesus answered his thoughts. “Simon,” he said to the Pharisee, “I have something to say to you.”<sup>44</sup> Then he turned to the woman and said to Simon, “Look at this woman kneeling here. When I entered your home, you didn’t offer me water to wash the dust from my feet, but she has washed them with her tears and wiped them with her hair.<sup>46</sup> You neglected the courtesy of olive oil to anoint my head, but she has anointed my feet with rare perfume.<sup>47</sup> “I tell you, her sins—and they are many—have been forgiven, so she has shown me much love.

**Psalms 26:6, 7 MSG** - I scrub my hands with purest soap, then join hands with the others in the great circle, dancing around your altar, God, Singing God-songs at the top of my lungs, telling God-stories.

**Psalms 23:5 thou anointest NLT** - You honor me by anointing my head with oil.

**CEB** - You bathe my head in oil;

### Section 4

**II Corinthians 2:14 thanks PHIL** - Thanks be to God who leads us, wherever we are, on Christ’s triumphant way and makes our knowledge of him spread throughout the world like a lovely perfume!

**AMP** - --thanks be to God. Who in Christ always leads us in triumph [as trophies of Christ’s victory] and through us spreads *and* makes evident the fragrance of the knowledge of God everywhere.

**NIRV** – Give thanks to God! He always leads us in the winners’ parade because we belong to Christ. Through us, God spreads the knowledge of Christ everywhere like perfume.

**John 11:1, 17, 41 And, 42 (to :), 43, 44 NLT** - A man named Lazarus was sick. He lived in Bethany with his sisters, Mary and Martha.<sup>17</sup> When Jesus arrived at Bethany, he was told that Lazarus had already been in his grave for four days.<sup>41</sup> So they rolled the stone aside. Then Jesus looked up to heaven and said, “Father, thank you for hearing me. 42 You always hear me, 43 Then Jesus shouted, “Lazarus, come out!” 44 And the dead man came out, his hands and feet bound in graveclothes, his face wrapped in a headcloth. Jesus told them, “Unwrap him and let him go!”

**Colossians 2:6, 7 PHIL** Just as you received Christ Jesus the Lord, so go on living in him---in simple faith. 7 Yes, be rooted in him and founded upon him, continually strengthened by the faith as you were taught it and your lives will overflow with joy and thankfulness.

**II Corinthians 9:15 NLT** - Thank God for this gift too wonderful for words!

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