



THE STORY BIBLE

This week, read and discuss these stories:

- **Jesus Heals Ten Men with Leprosy**, page 377
- **Jesus and the Little Children**, page 380
- **Jesus and Zacchaeus**, page 383
- **The Triumphant Entry**, page 389
- **The Widow's Coins**, page 386

Here's a great Lenten Challenge - instead of just giving up something - how about **ADDING** the reading of the Psalms. It's easy to find - right in the middle of your Bible. Here's the plan:

- Read one Psalm each day- any Psalm you want. Just open it up - find a chapter and read the Psalm.
- Read 2 verses at a time. Stop to think about what the verses are saying to you - then pray about those verses. It doesn't have to be a long prayer - just pray about what the Words are saying to you.
- If you want - then pray about anything else that comes to mind. But just keep it short.
- Repeat the process - every two verses - think about it - pray about it and move on.
- Do it for the whole season of Lent.

It's a very fulfilling way to read the Bible. Let God speak to you - think about what He's saying - and then pray about what he just said. Teach your whole family to do this.

Know the Bible Now (including Scripture references)

JESUS HEALS TEN MEN — [Luke 17:11-19](#) | KtBN page 274

- Why do you think the other nine who were healed didn't bother with thanking Jesus?
- Most of us forget to be thankful for all the blessings we have from God. What are some ways we can change that bad habit?

Prayer: *Gracious Lord, You love and care for us more than we deserve. Forgive us for shallow thankfulness. Keep us mindful of Your ever-present grace and love towards us. Amen appreciate all that I have and all that I am by your power. Amen.*

JESUS AND THE LITTLE CHILDREN — [Mark 9:33-37](#), [10:13-16](#) | KtBN page 276

- Why do you think children were so important to Jesus?
- Name 2 or 3 Christian habits that you can teach your children/grandchildren.

Prayer: *Dear Lord Jesus Christ, use me to let Your love and forgiveness shine on the people around me. In Your name I pray. Amen.*

JESUS AND ZACCHAEUS — [Luke 19:1-10](#) | KtBN page 278

- If Zacchaeus was such a terrible man, why do you think Jesus befriended him? See Luke 19:10 for a clue.
- Think about someone who is "forgotten" or "rejected" in your community. Pray for an opportunity to make a difference in their lives. How could you invite them to church or witness the faith to them?

Prayer: *Lord, everyone needs You. There is no sin You can't forgive. Use me to bring Your Words of Life and hope especially to those who seem deplorable to others. In Jesus name, Amen.*

THE TRIUMPHAL ENTRY — [Mark 11:1-11](#), [Luke 19:28-40](#) | KtBN page 282

- The crowds shouted "Hosanna" when they saw Jesus. The word Hosanna means "an expression of joy an dpraise for deliverance granted or anticipated." What deliverance did Jesus bring?
- Whydo you think the Gospel writers keep connecting Jesus' life and actions to the things that were written about in the Old Testament?

Prayer: *Dear Jesus, Continue to pour Your life and salvation into our hearts, that we may serve You joyfully. Amen.*

THE WINDOW'S COINS — [Mark 12:41-44](#) | KtBN page 284

- Why do you think our giving reflects our priorities?.
- Name some ways we are dependent on God for everything.

Prayer: *Gracious Father, be near us and keep us strong in the power of Your grace. Make us mindful that all we have is from Your hands. In Jesus name, Amen.*