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Daily Bible readings

These short readings are those read, day by day, at community prayer in Taizé. The Bible reference given indicates a slightly longer passage.

1 James 1:23-24
Tue Those who listen to the word of God but do not do what it says are like people who look at their faces in a mirror and, after looking at themselves, go away and immediately forget what they look like.

2 1 John 4:12
Wed No one has ever seen God, but if we love one another, God lives in us and God's love is made complete in us.

3 John 3:3
Thu Jesus said: Unless a person is born from above, they cannot see the kingdom of God.

4 Romans 13:10
Fri Love does no harm to one's neighbour, and so love is the fulfilment of the Law.

5 Philippians 2:7-9
Sat Being in every way like a human being, Christ Jesus was humbler yet, and became obedient to death, death on a cross. Therefore God raised him high and gave him the name which is above all other names.

6 Matthew 18:20
SUN Jesus said: When two or three meet in my name, I am there among them.

7 Psalms 37:4
Mon Find your delight in God, who will give you even more than your heart's desire.

8 Matthew 1:21
Tue An angel said to Joseph: Mary will bear a son, and you are to name him Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins.

9 John 1:14
Wed The Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory.

10 1 Corinthians 4:12-13
Thu When we are cursed, we bless; when we are persecuted, we endure it; when we are slandered, we offer comfort in return.

11 Isaiah 26:7-8
Fri You straighten the path of the just, O God. As we follow the path of your judgements, we set our hope in you. Your name and your memory are all our soul desires.

12 Philippians 3:10-11
Sat I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the communion in his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, and so somehow to attain to the resurrection from the dead.

13 Matthew 18:21-22
SUN Peter asked Jesus, "How many times should I forgive my brother if he wrongs me? Up to seven times?" Jesus answered, "Not seven times, but seventy-seven times."

14 Isaiah 55:6-7
Mon Seek the Lord while he may be found, call upon him while God is near. Let the wicked turn to the Lord who will have mercy on them, and to our God, who pardons freely.

15 Ephesians 4:9-10
Tue Christ descended to the depths of the earth, and he who descended is the very one who ascended higher than all the heavens, in order to fill the whole universe.

16 John 10:14-16
Wed Jesus said: I am the good shepherd. My sheep will listen to my voice and there will be one flock and one shepherd.

17 Hebrews 8:11
Thu The Lord says: Among my people, no one will need to teach their neighbour, saying, "Know the Lord!", for they shall all know me, from the smallest among them to the greatest.

18 1 Peter 3:9
Fri Do not repay evil with evil or insult with insult. On the contrary, repay evil with blessing, because to this you were called so that you may inherit a blessing.

19 Isaiah 65:17-18
Sat The Lord says: See, I am going to create new heavens and a new earth. Be filled with rejoicing for ever, for I am creating my people to be gladness.

20 Matthew 20:16
SUN Jesus said: The last will be first, and the first will be last.

21 Matthew 9:13
Mon Jesus said: Go and learn what this means: "I desire mercy, not sacrifice." Indeed, I have come not to call the just, but sinners.

22 John 5:16-17
Tue Jesus, persecuted because he worked miracles on the Sabbath, replied: My Father is always at his work to this very day, and I am at work too.

23 1 Corinthians 2:12
Wed We have not received the spirit of the world but the Spirit that comes from God, that we may understand what God has freely given us.

24 Leviticus 19:34
Thu God says: Love the foreigners among you as you love yourselves.

25 Acts 26:22-23
Fri Before King Agrippa, Paul said: I have borne witness to great and small alike. I am saying nothing beyond what the prophets and Moses said would happen: that the Christ was to suffer and that, as the first to rise from the dead, he would proclaim a light for all nations.

26 1 Peter 1:22
Sat Love one another deeply, from the heart.

27 Matthew 21:28-31
SUN Jesus said in a parable: A father said to his two sons, "Go and work in the vineyard today." The first replied, "I will not," but afterwards thought better of it and went. The second replied, "Certainly, sir," but did not go. Which of the two did the father's will?

28 Ezekiel 11:19
Mon God says: I will give an undivided heart to my people. I will put a new spirit in them.

29 Luke 12:36
Tue Jesus said: Be like people waiting for their master to return, ready to open the door as soon as he comes and knocks.

30 John 1:10-12
Wed The Word was in the world and, though the world was made through him, the world did not recognize him. But to all who accepted him he gave the power to become children of God.