Grace Episcopal Church

Read the Bible in a Year – **Bible in Time** – Chronological Bible

Reflection Class: Sunday, August 2, 2015; 9:10 am – 9:40 am, Grace Parish Hall.

Thoughts, Reflections, Insights, Questions of readings to date: Days 207 - 213

**Prayer:** Let your continual mercy, O Lord, cleanse and defend your Church; and, because it cannot continue in safety without your help, protect and govern it always by your goodness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

## Readings

Day 207 | Sunday | July 26 | Isaiah 52, 54, 55, 56, 57

The suffering servant - he was oppressed and afflicted, yet he did not open his mouth; the future of Jerusalem - I will not be angry at you; Come who are thirsty, come to the waters; Maintain justice and do what is right, for my salvation is close at hand; keep the faith; idolaters and leaders are condemned; God forgives.

Day 208 | Monday | July 27 | Isaiah 58 - 63

Sin of the nation not worshiping God; share your food with the hungry and shelter those who are poor and wandering; the Lord will guide your ways; avoid sin; seek justice for all; the Lord will rise as a light to a new Jerusalem; all the earth will come to see Zion; God has sent me to proclaim good news to the poor, bind up the brokenhearted, proclaim the year of the Lord's favor; woe to enemies; thanks for deliverance - surely they are my people says the Lord.

Day 209 | Tuesday | July 28 | Isaiah 63, 65; 2 Kings 20: 20-21; 2 Chronicles 32: 32-33 prayer for repentance; God is merciful; God is just; new creation; Hezekiah dies; buried with David.

Day 210 | Wednesday | July 29 | 2 Kings 21, 22; 2 Chronicles 33 & 34; Jeremiah 1 & 2 Manassah - Judah - 679 to 687 BC; dies in 643 BC; Amon - Judah - 643 BC - bad; Josiah - Judah - 641 BC - did right in eyes of the Lord; Jeremiah calls God's judgement against the people because of their unfaithfulness; results of Israel's sin.

Day 211 | Thursday | July 30 | Jeremiah 2 - 5

Jeremiah cries to Israel that she is a faithless wife to the Lord; Judah is the same; the Lord cries for hope for Israel - return you faithless people; judgement because of idolatry; Jeremiah cries for the people; they have sinned; the Lord says I will not destroy you completely for the faithful among you.

Day 212 | Friday | July 31 | Jeremiah 5 - 6; 2 Kings 22; 2 Chronicles 34

Fear the Lord, the Creator, in awe and majesty because you are wicked; you will be punished for turning from God; Judah - why do you rebell?; an invasion is coming; King Josiah discovers the Law while the Temple is being renovated - repents - purifies the people - but you will not see the destruction.

Day 213 | Saturday | August 1 | 2 Kings 23; 2 Chronicles 34, 35; Nahum 1 - 3 Josiah reforms worship and holds Passover with the people; Nahum - God is angry with Nineveh, judges it, and it falls