

Bible Reading for the Week of August 31, 2025

Monday, September 1 – Ephesians 1: 15-23

According to the apostle Paul, when did Jesus Christ receive "*all rule and authority and power*" (vs. 21)? How does this kingly rule relate to your own life today? Take time today to praise the Lord for this kingly reign of Jesus Christ.

Tuesday, September 2 – Colossians 1:15-23

In verse 18, Paul states that "*[Jesus] is the head of the body, the church.*" How should Christ's headship over the church relate to the life of the church? Give thanks to the Lord today for the wonderful blessing of having our Savior as head and ruler over his church.

Wednesday, September 3 – Psalm 8:1-9

How does Psalm 8 describe humanity as it relates to Adam in the Garden of Eden? How does Jesus Christ fulfill this psalm (see especially verse 6)? Praise the Lord this day that Jesus Christ rules from his throne in heaven even now.

Thursday, September 4 – Hebrews 13:17-25

What might be the significance of the fact that there were multiple leaders in the congregation in the early days of the church (see the plural "leaders" in vss. 17, 24)? How does a Presbyterian form of church government accurately capture this teaching? Take time today to pray for the elders of the church.

Friday, September 5 – Isaiah 11:1-5

This prophetic utterance from the prophet Isaiah ultimately points us to the Lord Jesus Christ, in whom all of these attributes are embodied. How is Jesus the perfect leader and shepherd of His people? Pray that the leaders of the church would model their lives and ministry after "*the great shepherd of the sheep,*" the Lord Jesus Christ (Heb. 13:20).

Saturday, September 6 – Hebrews 13:17-19

Here towards the close of this epistle, the author urges his hearers to pray for the leaders of the church? Is it a consistent practice in your spiritual life to pray for the pastor, elders, and deacons of the church? If it is not, consider how you might incorporate devoted time to praying for those men whom God has entrusted the care of your souls too. Pray especially today that the Lord would bless the preacher and the preaching tomorrow as God's people gather to worship Him.