

## Bible Reading for Week of September 22, 2024

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### Monday, September 30 – Matthew 8: 1-17

Look at this passage and the headings of those after it. Who were the people impacted by Jesus' healings? Why would Matthew quote Isaiah 53:4? How does Jesus' (partial) fulfillment in this passage inform us of the messiah's ministry?

### Tuesday, October 1 – Isaiah 42: 1-17

What does it mean to be gentle? How is the Lord's servant gentle? Think about ways your Lord Jesus fulfills these promises of freedom from bondage. He is your wounded healer who takes all of your misery. Today, sing to him a new song!

### Wednesday, October 2 – Matthew 4: 12-15

What are the signs of Jesus' kingdom (vs. 16-17, 23-24)? How should you as his follower expect your life to be different? In what ways do you need Jesus to take your diseases and afflictions today? Take those burdens to him and sit at his feet.

### Thursday, October 3 – Genesis 14: 1-24

Genesis 14 describes the story of Abraham interacting with Melchizedek. This somewhat obscure figure only appears one other time in the Old Testament (see Ps.110). The author of Hebrews argues that since Jesus is in the order of Melchizedek, he is greater than the Old Covenant priests (descendants of Abraham). Why would he make that argument (hint: who blesses who in the story)? Take time today to give thanks to God that we have a great high priest seated in heaven.

### Friday, October 4 – Psalm 110: 1-10

In Psalm 110, David describes one who is to come that would fulfill two crucial offices on behalf of God's people. Later on in the Bible, we learn the Jesus of Nazareth was the one who would fulfill these offices (see Matt. 22:44; Heb. 7:17). What two offices are in view in this Psalm (prophet, priest, king)? Think about some of the implications for you that Jesus Christ is *your* prophet and king.

### Saturday, October 5 – Hebrews 7: 1-10

The author of Hebrews appeals back to Genesis 14 and Psalm 110 in order to show the importance of Melchizedek in the overall story of redemption. In what ways does Melchizedek "resemble" Jesus (7:3)? Since Jesus is greater than Melchizedek as the priest-king of God's people, the author urges his listeners to fix their eyes on Jesus (Heb. 12: 1-3). Are there any ways in which you have taken your eyes off of the Lord Jesus?