

Bible Reading for the Week of May 17, 2026

Monday, May 18 – John 3:22-36

How has the apostle John described the role of John the Baptist so far in this gospel account? What is John the Baptist's place in redemptive-history? How might his place in history make sense of his statement in verse 30? Give thanks to the Lord that we have the amazing privilege of living in the days of the new covenant.

Tuesday, May 19– John 3:22-36

How does John the Baptist's comment in verse 29 relate to Jesus' coming? How has the theme of the bridegroom been seen so far in John's Gospel? Can you think of any other bridegroom imagery in John's Gospel? Praise the Lord today that he has made you a part of the bride of the bridegroom, Jesus Christ.

Wednesday, May 20 – John 3:22-36

How does verse 31 fit in with the apostle John's overall theology of heaven and earth (cf. 3:3, 5 and being born 'from above')? Given that heaven is the place where life abides, why must someone come from heaven for those on earth? Reflect this morning on verse 36, and pray that the Lord would help you further marvel at his grace shown to you in Christ.

Thursday, May 21 – Joshua 6:1-27

Why were the people of Jericho "*shut up inside and outside*," according to verse 1? How does this relate to chapters 3-5 in the book of Joshua? How does this reflect something of the way in which the world responds to hearing about the mighty works of God in our day? Pray that the Lord would open up doors of opportunity to witness to the good news of Christ to those in your life who remain unconverted.

Friday, May 22 – Joshua 6:1-27

How does the defeat of Jericho stress the supernatural work of God? How might this story have shocked those who first heard it? How does the cross and resurrection also demonstrate God's supernatural work in the world? As you pray today, be sure to praise the Lord for his supernatural work of redemption brought about through the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus

Saturday, May 23 – Joshua 6:1-27

Here in Joshua 6, we find the completion of the Rahab narrative begun back in chapter 2. How do the actions of the people of God toward Rahab reflect the truth of the nations coming into Israel? How might this story relate to the apostle Paul's description of the church in Romans 11:13-24? Pray that the Lord would prepare your heart today for the corporate gathering of worship tomorrow.