



# APRIL 4

## GCC 2021 READING PLAN

Leviticus 7

Psalm 7-8

Proverbs 22

I Thessalonians 1

**PRAY:**

*Father show us who you are. Show us your person, your power, your purposes. Overwhelm us with a knowledge of you that penetrates our minds and imbeds itself in the deepest recesses of our hearts. Let this knowledge so change our hearts that it results in our lives being lived in light of who you are, what you have done and what you say is true about us in Jesus Christ.*

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**AS YOU READ THROUGH TODAY'S PASSAGES REFLECT ON THESE QUESTIONS:**

**What are some things revealed in these passages about the person and character of God? Who is he? What is he like?**

**What are some things that God has done to reveal who he is?**

**Who are you in light of God's work? What is it that God is saying about you?**

**How should knowing who God is, what he has done and what he says about you change how you live?**



## LEVITICUS 7

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**7** "This is the law of the guilt offering. It is most holy. **2** In the place where they kill the burnt offering they shall kill the guilt offering, and its blood shall be thrown against the sides of the altar. **3** And all its fat shall be offered, the fat tail, the fat that covers the entrails, **4** the two kidneys with the fat that is on them at the loins, and the long lobe of the liver that he shall remove with the kidneys. **5** The priest shall burn them on the altar as a food offering to the LORD; it is a guilt offering. **6** Every male among the priests may eat of it. It shall be eaten in a holy place. It is most holy. **7** The guilt offering is just like the sin offering; there is one law for them. The priest who makes atonement with it shall have it. **8** And the priest who offers any man's burnt offering shall have for himself the skin of the burnt offering that he has offered. **9** And every grain offering baked in the oven and all that is prepared on a pan or a griddle shall belong to the priest who offers it. **10** And every grain offering, mixed with oil or dry, shall be shared equally among all the sons of Aaron.

**11** "And this is the law of the sacrifice of peace offerings that one may offer to the LORD. **12** If he offers it for a thanksgiving, then he shall offer with the thanksgiving sacrifice unleavened loaves mixed with oil, unleavened wafers smeared with oil, and loaves of fine flour well mixed with oil. **13** With the sacrifice of his peace offerings for thanksgiving he shall bring his offering with loaves of leavened bread. **14** And from it he shall offer one loaf from each offering, as a gift to the LORD. It shall belong to the priest who throws the blood of the peace offerings. **15** And the flesh of the sacrifice of his peace offerings for thanksgiving shall be eaten on the day of his offering. He shall not leave any of it until the morning. **16** But if the sacrifice of his offering is a vow offering or a freewill offering, it shall be eaten on the day that he offers his sacrifice, and on the next day what remains of it shall be eaten. **17** But what remains of the flesh of the sacrifice on the third day shall be burned up with fire. **18** If any of the flesh of the sacrifice of his peace offering is eaten on the third day, he who offers it shall not be accepted, neither shall it be credited to him. It is tainted, and he who eats of it shall bear his iniquity.

**19** "Flesh that touches any unclean thing shall not be eaten. It shall be burned up with fire. All who are clean may eat flesh, **20** but the person who eats of the flesh of the sacrifice of the LORD's peace offerings while an uncleanness is on him, that person shall be cut off from his people. **21** And if anyone touches an unclean thing, whether human uncleanness or an unclean beast or any unclean detestable creature, and then eats some flesh from the sacrifice of the LORD's peace offerings, that person shall be cut off from his people."

**22** The LORD spoke to Moses, saying, **23** "Speak to the people of Israel, saying, You shall eat no fat, of ox or sheep or goat. **24** The fat of an animal that dies of itself and the fat of one that is torn by beasts may be put to any other use, but on no account shall you eat it. **25** For every person who eats of the fat of an animal of which a food offering may be made to the LORD shall be cut off from his people. **26** Moreover, you shall eat no blood whatever, whether of fowl or of animal, in any of your dwelling places. **27** Whoever eats any blood, that person shall be cut off from his people."

<sup>28</sup> The LORD spoke to Moses, saying, <sup>29</sup> "Speak to the people of Israel, saying, Whoever offers the sacrifice of his peace offerings to the LORD shall bring his offering to the LORD from the sacrifice of his peace offerings. <sup>30</sup> His own hands shall bring the LORD's food offerings. He shall bring the fat with the breast, that the breast may be waved as a wave offering before the LORD. <sup>31</sup> The priest shall burn the fat on the altar, but the breast shall be for Aaron and his sons. <sup>32</sup> And the right thigh you shall give to the priest as a contribution from the sacrifice of your peace offerings. <sup>33</sup> Whoever among the sons of Aaron offers the blood of the peace offerings and the fat shall have the right thigh for a portion. <sup>34</sup> For the breast that is waved and the thigh that is contributed I have taken from the people of Israel, out of the sacrifices of their peace offerings, and have given them to Aaron the priest and to his sons, as a perpetual due from the people of Israel. <sup>35</sup> This is the portion of Aaron and of his sons from the LORD's food offerings, from the day they were presented to serve as priests of the LORD. <sup>36</sup> The LORD commanded this to be given them by the people of Israel, from the day that he anointed them. It is a perpetual due throughout their generations."

<sup>37</sup> This is the law of the burnt offering, of the grain offering, of the sin offering, of the guilt offering, of the ordination offering, and of the peace offering, <sup>38</sup> which the LORD commanded Moses on Mount Sinai, on the day that he commanded the people of Israel to bring their offerings to the LORD, in the wilderness of Sinai.



## PSALM 7-8

### In You Do I Take Refuge

7 A SHIGGAION OF DAVID, WHICH HE SANG TO THE LORD CONCERNING THE WORDS OF CUSH, A BENJAMINITE.

- <sup>1</sup> O LORD my God, in you do I take refuge;  
save me from all my pursuers and deliver me,
- <sup>2</sup> lest like a lion they tear my soul apart,  
rending it in pieces, with none to deliver.
- <sup>3</sup> O LORD my God, if I have done this,  
if there is wrong in my hands,
- <sup>4</sup> if I have repaid my friend with evil  
or plundered my enemy without cause,
- <sup>5</sup> let the enemy pursue my soul and overtake it,  
and let him trample my life to the ground  
and lay my glory in the dust. *Selah*
- <sup>6</sup> Arise, O LORD, in your anger;  
lift yourself up against the fury of my enemies;  
awake for me; you have appointed a judgment.

- 7 Let the assembly of the peoples be gathered about you;  
over it return on high.
- 8 The LORD judges the peoples;  
judge me, O LORD, according to my righteousness  
and according to the integrity that is in me.
- 9 Oh, let the evil of the wicked come to an end,  
and may you establish the righteous—  
you who test the minds and hearts,  
O righteous God!
- 10 My shield is with God,  
who saves the upright in heart.
- 11 God is a righteous judge,  
and a God who feels indignation every day.
- 12 If a man does not repent, God will whet his sword;  
he has bent and readied his bow;
- 13 he has prepared for him his deadly weapons,  
making his arrows fiery shafts.
- 14 Behold, the wicked man conceives evil  
and is pregnant with mischief  
and gives birth to lies.
- 15 He makes a pit, digging it out,  
and falls into the hole that he has made.
- 16 His mischief returns upon his own head,  
and on his own skull his violence descends.
- 17 I will give to the LORD the thanks due to his righteousness,  
and I will sing praise to the name of the LORD, the Most High.

### How Majestic Is Your Name

8 TO THE CHOIRMASTER: ACCORDING TO THE GITTITH. A PSALM OF DAVID.

- 1 O LORD, our Lord,  
how majestic is your name in all the earth!  
You have set your glory above the heavens.
- 2 Out of the mouth of babies and infants,  
you have established strength because of your foes,  
to still the enemy and the avenger.
- 3 When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers,  
the moon and the stars, which you have set in place,
- 4 what is man that you are mindful of him,

and the son of man that you care for him?

- <sup>5</sup> Yet you have made him a little lower than the heavenly beings  
and crowned him with glory and honor.
- <sup>6</sup> You have given him dominion over the works of your hands;  
you have put all things under his feet,
- <sup>7</sup> all sheep and oxen,  
and also the beasts of the field,
- <sup>8</sup> the birds of the heavens, and the fish of the sea,  
whatever passes along the paths of the seas.
- <sup>9</sup> O LORD, our Lord,  
how majestic is your name in all the earth!

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## PROVERBS 22

**22** A good name is to be chosen rather than great riches,  
and favor is better than silver or gold.

<sup>2</sup> The rich and the poor meet together;  
the LORD is the Maker of them all.

<sup>3</sup> The prudent sees danger and hides himself,  
but the simple go on and suffer for it.

<sup>4</sup> The reward for humility and fear of the LORD  
is riches and honor and life.

<sup>5</sup> Thorns and snares are in the way of the crooked;  
whoever guards his soul will keep far from them.

<sup>6</sup> Train up a child in the way he should go;  
even when he is old he will not depart from it.

<sup>7</sup> The rich rules over the poor,  
and the borrower is the slave of the lender.

- 8 Whoever sows injustice will reap calamity,  
and the rod of his fury will fail.
- 9 Whoever has a bountiful eye will be blessed,  
for he shares his bread with the poor.
- 10 Drive out a scoffer, and strife will go out,  
and quarreling and abuse will cease.
- 11 He who loves purity of heart,  
and whose speech is gracious, will have the king as his friend.
- 12 The eyes of the LORD keep watch over knowledge,  
but he overthrows the words of the traitor.
- 13 The sluggard says, "There is a lion outside!  
I shall be killed in the streets!"
- 14 The mouth of forbidden women is a deep pit;  
he with whom the LORD is angry will fall into it.
- 15 Folly is bound up in the heart of a child,  
but the rod of discipline drives it far from him.
- 16 Whoever oppresses the poor to increase his own wealth,  
or gives to the rich, will only come to poverty.

### **Words of the Wise**

- 17 Incline your ear, and hear the words of the wise,  
and apply your heart to my knowledge,
- 18 for it will be pleasant if you keep them within you,  
if all of them are ready on your lips.
- 19 That your trust may be in the LORD,  
I have made them known to you today, even to you.

- 20 Have I not written for you thirty sayings  
of counsel and knowledge,
- 21 to make you know what is right and true,  
that you may give a true answer to those who sent you?
- 22 Do not rob the poor, because he is poor,  
or crush the afflicted at the gate,
- 23 for the LORD will plead their cause  
and rob of life those who rob them.
- 24 Make no friendship with a man given to anger,  
nor go with a wrathful man,
- 25 lest you learn his ways  
and entangle yourself in a snare.
- 26 Be not one of those who give pledges,  
who put up security for debts.
- 27 If you have nothing with which to pay,  
why should your bed be taken from under you?
- 28 Do not move the ancient landmark  
that your fathers have set.
- 29 Do you see a man skillful in his work?  
He will stand before kings;  
he will not stand before obscure men.

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# I THESSALONIANS 1

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## Greeting

**1** Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy,

To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ:

Grace to you and peace.

## The Thessalonians' Faith and Example

**2** We give thanks to God always for all of you, constantly<sup>[a]</sup> mentioning you in our prayers, **3** remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. **4** For we know, brothers<sup>[b]</sup> loved by God, that he has chosen you,<sup>5</sup> because our gospel came to you not only in word, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction. You know what kind of men we proved to be among you for your sake. **6** And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for you received the word in much affliction, with the joy of the Holy Spirit, **7** so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. **8** For not only has the word of the Lord sounded forth from you in Macedonia and Achaia, but your faith in God has gone forth everywhere, so that we need not say anything. **9** For they themselves report concerning us the kind of reception we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols to serve the living and true God, **10** and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead, Jesus who delivers us from the wrath to come.



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