CEDAR COMMUNITY CHURCH

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Hope within reach!

Devotional Reading Calendar – August 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
30 1 Tim. 4	31 1 Tim. 5					1 Galatians 3
2 Galatians 4	3 Galatians 5	4 Galatians 6	5 Ephesians 1	6 Ephesians 2	7 Ephesians 3	8 Ephesians 4
9 Ephesians 5	10 Ephesians 6	11 Philippians 1	12 Philippians 2	13 Philippians 3	14 Philippians 4	15 Colossians 1
16 Colossians 2	17 Colossians 3	18 Colossians 4	19 1 Thes. 1	20 1 Thes. 2	21 1 Thes. 3	22 1 Thes. 4
23 1 Thes. 5	24 2 Thes. 1	25 2 Thes. 2	26 2 Thes. 3	27 1 Tim. 1	28 1 Tim. 2	29 1 Tim. 3

For the last couple of months I've noted that the early church didn't have what we know as the Bible. Their holy writings consisted of what we note as Old Testament, which is the ancient Jewish texts that tell us how God worked in the world from creation to Jesus, both in the world at large and with His chosen people Israel. These OT writings took them from the prophesies and promises pointing toward Jesus, into and through their faith that Jesus was the chosen one, and into the pre-church era they were creating. What we now know as the Church, and the early writings that came out of it, from the four gospel records thorough the writings of Paul and the other apostles, give us our inside view of the birth of the church. We get to hear the Holy Spirit inspired teachings that they were building on and that we build on today. I love this stuff!

This month I'm continuing to move through Paul's letters to the early church. I'm personally attached to these writings from Paul because these are the writings that turned my early doctrine and faith around, from a doctrinal position based largely in bondage and legalism, into a life of freedom in my Spirit walk with Jesus.

Thank you, one more time, for joining me as I re-explore this wonderfully challenging stuff. I hope you take some notes as you explore what these teachings mean to you and how you might want to apply them in your life. Give someone a call for coffee to kick some stuff around – we learn best in community!

Shalom, D. P.

Heads up men – in September we're launching into the apostle Paul's letter of instruction and encouragement to his young protégé Titus. Start looking and meditating a bit in anticipation of some useful stuff . . .