# Bible Reading Plan Week Two January 8<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup>

Here are three reflective questions for each day's reading from January 8th to 14th, based on The Bible Recap's chronological reading plan with Tara-Leigh Cobble.

# Day 8: Job 17-20

- 1. **Understanding Suffering**: How does Job's continued lament in these chapters deepen your understanding of human suffering and the search for meaning amidst pain?
- 2. **Role of Friends**: What insights can you gain from the dialogues between Job and his friends about offering support to those in distress?
- 3. **Hope and Despair**: How does Job balance expressions of despair with declarations of hope, and what can this teach you about maintaining faith during trials?

#### Day 9: Job 21-23

- 1. **Prosperity of the Wicked**: In Job's discourse on the prosperity of the wicked, how does he challenge common assumptions about righteousness and success?
- 2. **Desire for God's Presence**: What does Job's longing to present his case before God reveal about his relationship with the Divine?
- 3. **Perception of Divine Justice**: How do these chapters influence your understanding of divine justice and the timing of God's responses to human actions?

# Day 10: Job 24-28

- 1. **Injustice in the World**: How does Job's observation of societal injustices resonate with current global issues, and what response does it inspire in you?
- 2. **Search for Wisdom**: What significance does Job place on the pursuit of wisdom, and how can you apply this pursuit in your daily life?
- 3. **Fear of the Lord**: How does the declaration that "the fear of the Lord—that is wisdom" shape your perspective on true understanding?

# Day 11: Job 29-31

- 1. **Reflecting on Past Blessings**: How does Job's reminiscence of his former prosperity and honor inform your appreciation of current blessings?
- 2. **Integrity and Self-Examination**: What can you learn from Job's detailed self-examination and his commitment to integrity in all aspects of life?
- 3. **Understanding Suffering**: How does Job's assertion of his righteousness amidst suffering challenge or reinforce your views on the relationship between personal conduct and adversity?

#### Day 12: Job 32-34

- 1. **Elihu's Perspective**: What new insights does Elihu bring to the discussion about suffering and divine justice, and how do they differ from the previous dialogues?
- 2. Youth and Wisdom: How does Elihu's confidence in speaking despite his youth challenge assumptions about the sources of wisdom?
- 3. **God's Communication**: What does Elihu suggest about the ways God communicates with humans, and how can you be more attentive to divine guidance?

# Day 13: Job 35-37

- 1. **Human Righteousness and God**: How does Elihu's argument about the impact of human righteousness or wickedness on God influence your understanding of divine-human relationships?
- 2. **Purpose of Suffering**: What explanations does Elihu offer for human suffering, and how do they contribute to the overall discourse in the Book of Job?
- 3. **God's Majesty in Creation**: How does Elihu's depiction of God's power and majesty in nature enhance your awe and reverence for the Creator?

#### Day 14: Job 38-39

- 1. **God's Response**: How does God's response to Job out of the whirlwind shift the focus of the discourse, and what does it reveal about divine wisdom?
- 2. **Understanding Creation**: What do the questions God poses about the natural world teach you about human limitations and the scope of divine creation?
- 3. **Humility Before God**: How does this encounter encourage humility and trust in God's greater plan, even when faced with unexplained suffering?