

## ***THE ONE YEAR BIBLE Reading for March 19:***

### *Numbers 28:16-29:40:*

Here the LORD explains through Moses the offerings which people were to bring to the priests for various feasts throughout the calendar year. These instructions are repeated to instruct the second generation as they prepare to go into the Promised Land. (See Leviticus 23, February 28 reading, for the discussion of the festivals and their purposes) The fact that God did repeated these instructions and inspired Moses to record them is, in part, a reminder to us of the blessing it is that God willingly and sufficiently reveals His will to us. He does not leave us in the dark!

### *Luke 3:23-38:*

Luke records the genealogy of Jesus which runs through Joseph's Father (Matthew relates His genealogy through Joseph's mother). This one goes all the way back to Adam. Most likely it does this to remind us that Jesus is the second Adam and to contrast Adam, who faced temptation and succumbed, with Jesus who is about to face temptation and will succeed. This, then, becomes a wonderful reminder that Jesus is our substitute and it is only through His living and dying in our place that we stand righteous and forgiven before God!

### *Psalms 62:1-12:*

One of the most precious truths in the collection of psalms is found here. When we face hardships as did David (and we are not sure what his was), we can wait alone and in silence from the depth of our being for God to take care of and to protect us since He is our salvation, our glory, our rock, our refuge, our fortress! As such, we need not be shaken and we can call out in confidence to Him. Whatever you are facing today which is hard, find great strength and courage here and go forth in His grace!

### *Proverbs 11:18-19:*

Take the warning here to heart: The wicked gain wages that are deceptive, thinking they will satisfy and will last, yet do not. Yet, it is only the righteous who experience true and lasting reward.