

## Rooted in the Word weekly readings for:

**January 13-19, 2014**

**Scripture: Genesis 1:24-31**

Begin each daily devotional reading with prayer. Ask that God would speak to you through His Word and through the Holy Spirit. Consider memorizing verse 31.

**January 13: Read Matthew 2:13-23.** Having focused on this passage in last week's devotions and in the worship service yesterday, what is the Lord asking of you in response?

**January 14: Read Genesis 1:24-31.** Read the passage slowly several times. What word or phrase draws your attention? Spend time reflecting on that word/phrase asking God to speak to you through it. Write that word/phrase to keep before you this week.

**January 15: Read Genesis 1:1-2:3.** As you read the fuller text of the creation story, what stands out to you as significant? How does this version of creation vary from that which the world proclaims?

**January 16: Read Genesis 2:4-25.** What does this telling of the creation story add to our text for the week? What is the emphasis of this text and how does this compare/contrast with Genesis 1:1-2:3?

**January 17: Read Psalm 8.** This text is a creation psalm. How have you experienced verse 3 in your life? When/where did this kind of awe strike you? How did it lead you in worship of our Creator?

**January 18: Read Genesis 1:24-31.** If you were invited to speak this Sunday morning on the subject of creation, what would you want to say? What is important to affirm about the subject in our day and in our context? Make a list of your thoughts.

**January 19: Read Genesis 1:24-31.** Spend time in prayer thanking God for His Word, asking that He would continue to

speak to you through the Spirit, this passage and the message on Sunday morning. Pray for the preacher and our congregation.