

## **SOME SCRIPTURE PASSAGES TO PONDER**

The Grace Church in the Mountains Outreach Committee is undertaking a study of our mission, vision, and values in hopes of deepening our understanding of how we serve others. Here is a list of some Biblical passages that are worth reading and rereading on this subject.

### **HEBREW BIBLE**

1. **Leviticus 25:8 -55** – Sabbatical and Jubilee Year – (about giving the poor a chance to longer be poor; rest for all including servants, land and animal)
2. **Deuteronomy 8:1-20** – Temptation of pride, self-sufficiency, and peril of prosperity
3. **Deuteronomy 15** – Remission of Debt
4. **Ecclesiastes 5:10 – 11; 6:1-9**
5. **Isaiah 1** – especially vv. 12- 17
6. **Isaiah 65:20 – 23 ff.**
7. The whole book of **Amos**
8. The whole book of **Ruth**

### **NEW TESTAMENT**

1. **Matthew 5:1-14; 43-48** - Beatitudes
2. **Matthew 6:19 – 34** – Do not store treasures on earth...
3. **Matthew 24:31 – 46** – Parable of Last Judgment
4. **Luke 4:1-21** – Jesus “mission”
5. **Luke 10:29-37** – Parable of the Good Samaritan
6. **Philippians 2:4** – 11 Christ Hymn
7. **James 2:1-14** - God has chosen the poor...
8. **Feeding Miracles** - [Matthew 14:13-21](#); [Matthew 15:32-3](#); [Mark 6:31-44](#); [Mark 8:1-9](#) [Luke 9:12-17](#); [John 6:1-14](#)