

For the week of:

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Week at a Glance

MONDAY 9/5

Don't get all worked up . . . Today is *Labor Day*, a holiday that recognizes the work of Americans and typically signals the end of summer. Don't despair though, this also means pumpkin spice lattes are just around the corner!

TUESDAY 9/6

All hands on deck! On September 6th in 1620, the *Mayflower set sail* with 102 passengers. For two months the pilgrims lived in poor conditions before finally landing in Plymouth—miraculously with only one death along the way.

WEDNESDAY 9/7

What's in a name? Samuel Wilson provided the army with barrels of beef, stamped with the abbreviation "U.S." Soldiers referred to the meat packer as Uncle Sam and the *widespread nickname was adopted for the U.S. government* on this day in 1813.

THURSDAY 9/8

C.S. Lewis wrote "In reading great literature I become a thousand men and yet remain myself." It's *International Literacy Day*, which brings awareness to the fact that 14% of the population is illiterate and hasn't experienced the adventures that books offer.

FRIDAY 9/9

Today is *Teddy Bear Day*! While hunting in 1902, Teddy Roosevelt refused to shoot a tied-up bear, considering it unsportsmanlike. Word of this encounter spread and a candy shop owner began to mass produce stuffed bears called "Teddy's bear."

DID YOU KNOW?

- Your iris (the colored part of your eye) has **256 unique characteristics**; your fingerprint has just 40.
- The September full moon in 2022 is also the **Harvest Moon**, so named as it coincides with the annual crop harvest in the Northern Hemisphere. It will occur on **September 10 at 5:59am** EDT, but the moon will appear full the night before and after its peak to the casual stargazer.
 - **Pickleball** was invented by future US Congressman Joel Pritchard and his friend Bill Bell. The first game was played on a cement badminton court with ping pong paddles and a wiffle ball.
 - The **smallest teddy bear sold commercially was 9 mm (0.35 in)** and made by Cheryl Moss in South Africa.

IN OTHER WORDS...

"For those who believe in the wisdom of a sovereign God, even a heartbreaking confinement can be a place of building trust."

—Joni Eareckson Tada

For more from Joni, air *Joni Eareckson Tada: Sharing Hope* (4:00) and *A Moment with Joni* (1:00).

Weekly Verse

"But He knows the way that I take; when He has tested me, I will come forth as gold. My feet have closely followed His steps; I have kept to His way without turning aside. I have not departed from the commands of His lips; I have treasured the words of His mouth more than my daily bread."

Job 23:10-12 (NIV)

OCTOBER 6

This year's annual **Bring Your Bible to School** event is just a month away. Go to the Focus website for full details or visit the Ambassador site for a great tool kit of resources to promote the faith-building day. To schedule an interview with the BYBTS team, let Jenn@ambaa.com know and we'll help arrange that!



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