

COVER TO COVER

THE BIBLE IN 10 MINUTES, 5 DAYS PER WEEK



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We created this plan to capture the **highlights** of Scripture over the 22 weeks of the “Cover to Cover” sermon series. While this plan will not cover everything, it will give you a holistic perspective on the story of the Bible and what that means for your life today. Week 15 of the plan is below. We will update this plan each week so please check back weekly.

WEEK 15

Welcome to week fifteen of the “Cover to Cover” Bible reading plan. Last week, we examined some of the prophets God used to call his people back to him. Unfortunately, as we will see this week, God’s people did not heed the Prophet’s warning. As a result, both Israel and Judah fell, and God’s people were exiled.

DAY 1 Today, we will be reading about the fall of the Kingdom of Israel due to its persistent disobedience of God. The Israelites were exiled because they sinned against God, worshipped other gods, and followed the customs of other nations despite warnings from the prophets. As you read today, keep in mind everything God had done for them up to this point. This chapter serves as a reminder of the consequences of turning away from God and the importance of remaining faithful to His commandments. Today, [read 2 Kings 17](#).

DAY 2 2 Kings Chapters 18 and 19 narrate the reign of Hezekiah, King of Judah, and his conflicts with the Assyrian empire. Chapter 19 details how God destroyed the Assyrian army and their king. These chapters emphasize Hezekiah’s reliance on God in the face of overwhelming challenges, contrasting his faithfulness with the arrogance and ultimate downfall of Sennacherib. Today, [read 2 Kings 18-19](#).

DAY 3 Unfortunately, despite Hezekiah’s faithfulness, just a few chapters later, we read about the events that led to Judah’s fall and exile to Babylon. Today, [read 2 Kings 24](#).

DAY 4 2 Kings Chapter 25 recounts the final events that led to the destruction of Jerusalem and the fall of the Kingdom of Judah. This chapter signifies the end of Judah, detailing the city’s complete destruction, the exile of its people, and the fulfillment of prophetic warnings about the consequences of their persistent disobedience to God. Today, [read 2 Kings 25](#).

DAY 5 The books of 1 and 2 Kings and the books of 1 and 2 Chronicles cover similar events in the history of Israel and Judah. In 2 Chronicles chapter 36, there is another account of the fall of Jerusalem and Judah. However, the chapter ends with a mention of Cyrus, the king of Persia, who, in the first year of his reign, allowed the exiles to return to Jerusalem and rebuild the temple, signaling the beginning of the end of the

Babylonian exile. In essence, this chapter concludes with the hope of restoration. Today, **read 2 Chronicles 36**.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. What is something that caught your attention from this week's sermon?
2. Think of a time where you had to trust that God was working behind the scenes. What was the outcome?
3. Consider the kings of the Divided Kingdom. How do you measure your own life against the standards of faithfulness seen in David? What qualities of David do you see in yourself? Which areas need growth?
4. What are some practical ways you can display God's glory in your daily life?
5. Pastor Rick shared the Dallas Willard quote, "Discipleship is the process of becoming who Jesus would be if he were you." How does this perspective shape your understanding of discipleship?

READ THE ENTIRE BIBLE IN 6 MONTHS!

Looking for a challenge? Follow the YouVersion "Read the Bible in Six Months" reading plan. You'll read through the **ENTIRE** Bible over the course of just six months. That works out to six chapters of reading each day a commitment, but certainly manageable, and one that's well worth making. Scan to start.

