

## THE BIBLE IN 10 MINUTES, 5 DAYS PER WEEK





## **WEEK 20**

Welcome to week twenty of the "Cover to Cover" Bible reading plan. Last week, we examined the first half of the Book of Acts and how God was moving in the Early Church. This week, we will examine the second half of the Book of Acts, specifically all that God did through Paul's missionary journeys, including how God worked through the challenges Paul faced.

**DAY 1** Today we will read Acts chapter 9. This chapter captures the account of Saul's conversion. Not only is this a compelling story of transformation, but Saul who we know today as the Apostle Paul, ends up writing the majority of what we now call the New Testament. Today, **read Acts 9**.

**DAY 2** Today, we will read Acts chapters fourteen and fifteen. While the Apostle Paul was not one of Jesus' disciples, he was one of the key people God chose to spread the good news of Jesus throughout the known world. The book of Acts records the Apostle Paul's missionary journeys. Today we will read about the first of those journeys in Chapter 14. Chapter 15 demonstrates the early church's efforts to maintain unity while addressing theological and cultural differences. Today, **read Acts 14-15**.

**DAY 3** Chapters 16-18 of Acts detail Paul's ongoing missionary efforts, his interactions with various communities, and the expansion of Christianity into new regions, despite facing continuous challenges and opposition. Today, **read Acts 16-18**.

**DAY 4** Acts chapters 19-21 describe the ongoing spread of Christianity, Paul's ministry and miracles in Ephesus, his heartfelt farewell to the Ephesian elders, and his journey to Jerusalem, where he faced arrest and the beginning of his trials. Today, **read Acts 19-21**.

**DAY 5** The final two chapters of Acts tell the story of Paul's dangerous voyage to Rome, his shipwreck on Malta, and his eventual arrival in Rome. Despite being under house arrest, Paul continued his ministry and preached the gospel freely in Rome, highlighting the unstoppable spread of the Christian message. Today, **read Acts 27-28**.

## **DISCUSSION QUESTIONS**

- **1.** What is something that caught your attention from this week's sermon?
- 2. If you could ask God any question (silly or serious), what would it be and why?
- **3.** How does Stephen's story in Acts 6-7 demonstrate God working in unexpected and uncomfortable ways?

- 4. Have you ever experienced a situation where you didn't understand why God allowed something painful or difficult? How did that experience shape your faith?
- **5.** Saul's transformation into Paul shows that no one is beyond God's reach. Is there someone in your life who you've given up on spiritually? How can you pray for and support their journey?

## **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.

