

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 3 of the plan is below. We will update this plan each week so please check back weekly.

WEEK 3

Hello and welcome to week three of the “Cover to Cover” Bible reading plan. Week two was an opportunity to reflect on the beauty of Creation and the negative impact of sin on it. We looked at how sin affected humanity’s relationship with God through the stories of Adam’s family, Noah and the flood, and the Tower of Babel. This week we will be reading about the individuals through whom God began to work to re-establish and redeem His relationship with Creation, including us.

DAY 1 Today we begin in Chapter 12, where we see God intersecting with a man named Abram. God’s relationship with Abram was the first step in his redemptive plan for his relationship with all people, including us. Today **Read Genesis 12** (God’s calling of Abram), **Genesis 15** (God’s covenant with Abram).

DAY 2 In chapter 21 of Genesis we see God fulfilling his promise of providing a son for Abraham, and then in Chapter 22 we see God test Abraham. These chapters remind us of God’s desire for us to trust him. **Read Genesis 21-22** today and reflect on God’s provision and desire to be trusted.

DAY 3 God’s relationship with people continued through Abraham’s descendants. Today we look at Abraham’s grandsons, Jacob and Esau, and their tumultuous relationship. While this is certainly an account of God’s faithfulness, it is also a reminder of what happens when people take God’s purposes into their own hands. **Read Genesis 25-27** today. .

DAY 4 Chapters 32-33 of Genesis capture a powerful account of reconciliation between Jacob and Esau. However, in the middle of that account is a pivotal story of Jacob powerfully encountering God and God changing his name to Israel. **Read Chapters 32-33** today and reflect on the significance of this moment in Jacob’s life and the story of God and his people.

DAY 5 Today we look at the account of Jacob's family, particularly his son Joseph. **Read Genesis 37, 41-42, and 45** to get a snapshot of Joseph's life. If you have time to read Genesis 37-50 to get the full account, we would highly recommend it.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. What is something from this week's sermon that caught your attention or left an impression on you?
2. One of the main takeaways from this week's message is, "God specializes in promising the possible out of the seemingly impossible." Describe a time in your life where God has shown up, and you witnessed his faithfulness.
3. Pastor Brian said, "The whole point of the bible is Jesus." Where do we see Genesis 12-50 start pointing towards Jesus and our need for Him?
4. The message concludes with an invitation to trust in God, likening it to a child at the edge of a pool, trusting a parent will be there to catch them. What barriers, if any, do you face in fully trusting in God's love and provision?
5. Because of his faith in God, Abraham went. He said "yes" to what God asked of him, and thus Abraham was willing to do whatever it took. What is something God has called you to do, and how can you continue saying "yes" to that calling this week?

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.

