

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

### WEEK 7

Welcome to week seven of the “Cover to Cover” Bible reading plan. In week six, we looked at excerpts from Leviticus, Numbers, and Deuteronomy. These books tell how God formed his people into a nation that would ultimately lead to his plan for restoring the whole world. In Week 7, we will follow the account of God’s people taking possession of the Promised Land.

**DAY 1** As we enter the book of Joshua today, the 40 years in the wilderness have ended, Moses has died, and Joshua has been installed as the nation’s leader. The Israelite people are finally ready to cross the Jordan River into the Promised Land. Today, read **Joshua Chapters 1 and 2**

**DAY 2** In Chapters 1 and 2, God used Rahab to help protect the spies that Joshua sent. In Chapters 3 and 4, we will read about God delivering his people to the promised land in a remarkably similar fashion to the way he delivered them from Egypt 40 years earlier. Today, read **Joshua Chapters 3 and 4**.

**DAY 3** The remainder of the book of Joshua chronicles Israel’s conquest of the promised land. During the remaining chapters, they conquer the people living in the land, divide the land amongst the tribes, and renew their covenant with God. Today, we read about the miraculous ways God allowed his people to conquer Jericho and the five kings of the Amorites. Today, read **Joshua 5:13-6:27 and Chapter 10**.

**DAY 4** In Chapters 13-15 God’s people have finally fully arrived and are starting to settle in the land. In these passages, we see how God divides the people in the promised land. Today, read **Joshua 13-15**. For the full account, read through Chapter 19.

**DAY 5** Chapters 23 and 24 of Joshua complete the saga of God’s people settling in the promised land. Chapter 23 contains Joshua’s farewell to the leaders of Israel. Chapter 24 is the account of God renewing his Covenant with Israel through Joshua. It is a beautiful retelling of their story with God up to this point. Read **Joshua 23 and 24** today.

## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. What is something that sticks out to you from this week's sermon?
2. Reflecting on the transition from the lineage of God's promise to the land of God's promise, what similarities do you see between the challenges faced by Moses' generation with those we face today in terms of impatience and disobedience?
3. The repeated phrase in Joshua 1:6, 7, and 9 emphasizes being "strong and courageous." How do you interpret and put into practice this command when facing challenges and uncertainties in your own life?
4. Rahab's story illustrates faith in action despite your past or present circumstances. How does Rahab's example challenge your view of who can be used by God and what faithfulness looks like?
5. Reflect on Joshua's declaration, "But as for me and my household, we will serve the Lord." How does this statement resonate with your own commitment to following Go — especially in the midst of worldly distractions and challenges? And in what ways can you encourage others in their faith journey — especially during times of doubt, fear, or discouragement?

### 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.

