

# Bible Reading Plan 2026



## May 2026 - After God's Own Heart

The first book of Samuel retraces Israel's history in its establishment of a kingdom. Samuel has been acting as its leader, but the people demand a king, even if it isn't God's best for them. God gives them Saul who eventually turns away, opening the door for a shepherd boy named David to one day rule. This book helps us to understand that it isn't appearance or ability that God is looking for but character, conviction, and what's ultimately on the inside. We see later that David is far from perfect but his sensitivity to the Holy Spirit makes him the man he is. In reading this book, we must understand that outward changes are not ultimate, but we must seek to grow inwardly so the fruit of God's Spirit may be evident in our lives.

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## Further Application Questions

*Is there a...*

*Sin to confess? Promise to claim? Example to follow? Command to obey? Stumbling block to avoid?*

## Bible Memorization

Memory Verse:

But the Lord said to Samuel, "Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him. For the Lord sees not as man sees: man looks on the outward appearance, but the Lord looks on the heart."

1 Samuel 16:7