

Reading the Old Testament in a Year December 2025

<u>Day</u>	<u>Text</u>
1	2 nd Chron 24-25
2	2 nd Chron 26-27
3	Prov 31
4	2 nd Chron 28-32
5	2 nd Chron 33-36
6	Prov 30
7	
8	S of S 1-2
9	S of S 3-5
10	S of S 6-8
11	Haggai
12	Ezra 1-2
13	Ezra 3-6, Ps 107
14	
15	Ezra 7-8, Ps 85
16	Ezra 9-10
17	Zech 1-3
18	Zech 4-6
19	Zech 7-8
20	Zech 9-11
21	
22	Zech 12-14
23	Neh 1-2
24	Neh 3-4, Ps 74
25	Neh 5-6, Ps 77
26	Neh 7-10
27	Neh 11-13
28	
29	Malachi 1-2
30	Malachi 3-4
31	Ps 2

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This is it! - the last month of the program. Can you believe how far you have come and how much you have learned? Ready to do it again? Of course you are!

The 70 year exile came to a close, beginning in 539, when only a handful of faithful Jews chose to return to their homeland. The return took place in 3 phases and each episode had its leaders and its difficulties. The historical sections describe these times and struggles.

Isn't it interesting that this is approximately the time for reading the Song of Solomon? We aren't sure when this was written or by whom, and interpreting this book is always an interesting challenge. I have placed it here because I think the book speaks symbolically of the Jews' desire for their homeland, their tradition and culture, their first love.

But it also speaks in symbolic language about the bond between Christ and his Church. And because of that it can be counted as prophecy too as the time of the coming Messiah draws close. When you follow the prophets of this era, you will get the sense of growing expectation of more of what the Lord will do.

The King is coming!

Next month a shorter schedule for reading through the New Testament will be made available to you. Why not pray about continuing on in this good habit of regular Scripture reading by joining in?

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