

A Daily Dose of the Word



As cute as babies are, they are expected to grow. It is the same in the spiritual life. God expects us to grow. A key part of growing in our relationship with God is the regular reading of the Word. Just like taking vitamins and eating healthy foods, a **daily dose of the Word** should be part of a believer's regular nourishment for growing mature and becoming more like Jesus.

Initially, babies begin to grow by drinking milk. In a similar way, new believers should have a regular dosage of the "pure spiritual milk" to begin growing (**1 Peter 2:2**). At High Tide Church, it is our desire to see believers mature to "solid food", so that we are able "to distinguish good from evil" (**Hebrews 5:13-14**). So how do we do that?

The initial step is to make reading the Word a priority (**1 Timothy 4:13**) and have everyone read a portion each day. Meditating upon and memorizing the Scriptures is also important. In Psalm 119:11, the psalmist says to "store up" God's Word in our hearts for the purpose of helping us not to sin against God. Therefore, for 2024 HTC is encouraging all of us to read one chapter a day using the devotional format below, and memorize at least one verse per month (see the Memory Verse chart on this page).

For those who want to go deeper, the next step is to study some of the chapters you read in more detail. In **2 Timothy 2:15** Paul instructed Timothy to be "a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly handling the word of truth". The word "rightly handling" is *orthotomeo*, which means cutting straight, without deviation. This requires finding the meaning the author intended to convey by looking up words in a Bible dictionary, and cross referencing with other similar scriptures. In 2024, HTC will offer a discipleship training institute to equip believers to go deeper in Bible study, prayer, theology, apologetics, etc.

Regardless how long you have been a follower of Jesus, HTC wants you to continue to grow in your relationship with Jesus. The Holy Spirit dwells within each believer to help us grow, but we must cooperate by being in the Word and being obedient to what we read. By spending time with God in His Word and prayer, our relationship will deepen and grow, and it will give you wisdom and strength for each day.

The physical body cannot be sustained by eating only once per week, so we cannot just be fed from the Word on Sunday mornings alone. Let's be people of the Word!

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Memory Verses

January John 3:16
February Romans 3:23
March Romans 5:8
April Romans 6:23
May Romans 10:17
June Romans 12:1
July Ephesians 2:8-9
August Ephesians 2:10
September Hebrews 12:1-2
October Acts 16:31
November Psalm 107:1
December Isaiah 9:6



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The goal is to read one chapter a day (daily dose). On average, it takes 3-4 minutes to read a chapter of the Bible. In this plan, you will read the entire **New Testament** (260 chapters) and 106 chapters of the **Old Testament** to make up the 2024 leap year (366 days). You may summarize the reading using the devotional outline guide below.

Devotional Outline

Book: _____

Chapter: _____

Favorite Scripture

Write out a favorite verse(s) from the chapter.

Application:

Is there something from this chapter to remember or apply to my life?

Prayer:

Pray for the Holy Spirit's guidance and strength to obey and apply the passage.

Start Here:

- ☐ Psalm 1-2
- ☐ Mark 1-16
- ☐ Matthew 1-28
- ☐ John 1-21
- ☐ Luke 1-24
- ☐ Acts 1-28
- ☐ Genesis 1-11
- ☐ 1 Corinthians 1-16
- ☐ 2 Corinthians 1-13
- ☐ Romans 1-16
- ☐ Galatians 1-6
- ☐ Ephesians 1-6
- ☐ Philippians 1-4
- ☐ Colossians 1-4
- ☐ Philemon 1
- ☐ 1 Samuel 1-12; 16-18
- ☐ 1 Thessalonians 1-5
- ☐ 2 Thessalonians 1-3
- ☐ Psalm 22-23; 73; 90; 100; 107
- ☐ 1 Timothy 1-6
- ☐ 2 Timothy 1-4
- ☐ Titus 1-3
- ☐ James 1-5
- ☐ Esther 1-6
- ☐ 1 Kings 17-21
- ☐ Hebrews 1-13
- ☐ 1 Peter 1-5
- ☐ 2 Peter 1-3
- ☐ Proverbs 1-31
- ☐ Isaiah 1-12
- ☐ Jeremiah 1-12
- ☐ Habakkuk 1-3
- ☐ Jude 1
- ☐ 1 John 1-5
- ☐ 2 John 1
- ☐ 3 John 1
- ☐ Revelation 1-22
- ☐ Psalm 42; 121; 150