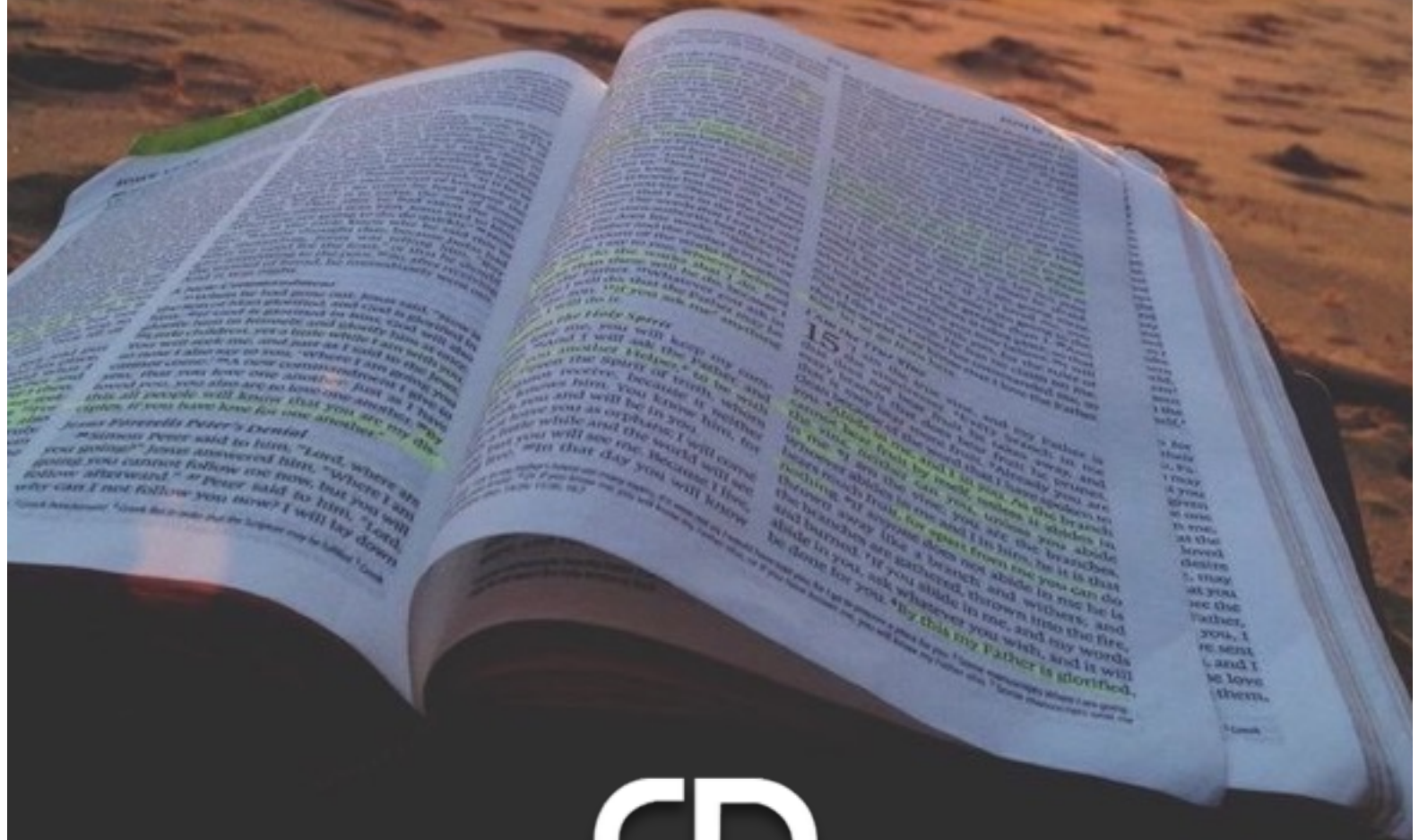


THE BEST SUMMER EVER



WHAT IS THE BEST SUMMER EVER?

I think this is going to be THE BEST SUMMER EVER. When you think about your best summer ever what comes to mind. For me it is a flood of memories of little league baseball, family travel, summer camps, VBS, swimming and lots of ice cream and snow cones. Summer is a time when we look forward to enjoying the warm weather, spending time with friends and family, and hopefully relaxing a little. As great as all those things are, I don't think they comprise, "The Best Summer Ever." I believe this summer has the potential to be the best ever for us as individuals and as a church for a very specific reason. This summer, I want to invite you to encounter God in His Word. I want to invite you to hear His voice and be transformed by His Truth. I am absolutely convinced He wants to speak to you, and if you will take the time (about 30 minutes a day) you will look back on the summer of 2018 as a transformational time of spiritual growth, intimacy with Him and fruitfulness in your life.

This summer I am challenging everyone in our church to read through the entire New Testament. It is here, we discover the story of Christ and His church. Over the course of 93 days we will read through 259 chapters of scripture. If 100 people join us on this journey we will read over 25,000 chapters of scripture together. I believe this could have the potential to unleash a fresh move of God's Spirit in our lives as individuals and in our church collectively. There are many different ways to read and study the Bible. I would like to introduce you to the S.O.A.P method.

HOW TO USE THIS BOOKLET

This booklet has been created to help you dive into the Word like never before this Summer. The SOAP method will invite you to document what you read in scripture, what observations you make, how you can apply this truth to your life, and how you can pray for God's guidance in living this out. At the end of the summer you will have an incredible account of all the ways God has spoken to you! Every day has 4 boxes for you to write in.

SCRIPTURE

Each day you will read a lot of scripture. That is a wonderful thing but it makes recall really difficult. As you read through the Bible each day underline or highlight the verses that stand out to you. When you are finished reading pick one verse that stands out to you as significant. Copy that verse in this box and make it a point to keep it in your head and heart throughout the day. At the end of the summer you will be able to look back and see where the Spirit was shining a light as you read through the Word.

OBSERVATION

In this box you will write down what you are observing in the text you have read. What stands out and seems meaningful or significant to you? What common theme do you notice, or what truth seems obvious and important?

APPLICATION

We don't just read the Bible for information, we read it to be transformed spiritually as we strive to become more and more like Christ. As we read through the text each day we are looking for one concept or truth that God is using to teach us and shape us. Use this box to write down how you can apply the truth of the Word to the reality of your life. Try to stick to just one application. It may be helpful to focus on the scripture you wrote in the first box and ask if there is anything in your life that needs to change to be faithful to the instruction and wisdom of God's Word. Essentially you are asking, "How will I be different because of what I read today in God's Word?"

PRAYER

You don't have the power to transform yourself spiritually. That only comes through the power of the Holy Spirit who is alive within you; teaching you and leading toward God's will for your life. Use this box to capture a short prayer confessing your need for him, and requesting His help applying the truth you have learned. This is also a great spot to thank Him for how He is working in your life.

You can add a title for each day at the end of the journal to make your entries easier to find in the future.

FOR FURTHER STUDY

The SOAP approach to studying scripture is adapted from a wonderful book by Wayne Cordeiro entitled: "[The Divine Mentor](#)". You can find this book on [amazon.com](#).

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A CHRONOLOGICAL READING OF THE NEW TESTAMENT

June 1: Luke 1; John 1:1-14
June 2: Matt 1; Luke 2:1-38

June 3: Matt 2; Luke 2:39-52
June 4: Matt 3; Mark 1; Luke 3
June 5: Matt 4; Luke 4-5; John 1:15-51
June 6: John 2-4
June 7: Mark 2
June 8: John 5
June 9: Matt 12:1-21; Mark 3; Luke 6

June 10: Matt 5-7
June 11: Matt 8:1-13; Luke 7
June 12: Matt 11
June 13: Matt 12:22-50; Luke 11
June 14: Matt 13; Luke 8
June 15: Matt 8:14-34; Mark 4-5
June 16: Matt 9-10

June 17: Matt 14; Mark 6; Luke 9:1-17
June 18: John 6
June 19: Matt 15; Mark 7
June 20: Matt 16; Mark 8; Luke 9:18-27
June 21: Matt 17; Mark 9; Luke 9:28-62
June 22: Matt 18
June 23: John 7-8

June 24: John 9:1-10:21
June 25: Luke 10-11; John 10:22-42
June 26: Luke 12-13
June 27: Luke 14-15
June 28: Luke 16-17:10
June 29: John 11
June 30: Luke 17:11-18:14

July 1: Matt 19; Mark 10
July 2: Matt 20-21
July 3: Luke 18:15-19:48
July 4: Mark 11; John 12
July 5: Matt 22; Mark 12
July 6: Matt 23; Luke 20-21
July 7: Mark 13

July 8: Matt 24
July 9: Matt 25
July 10: Matt 26; Mark 14
July 11: Luke 22; John 13
July 12: John 14-17
July 13: Matt 27; Mark 15
July 14: Luke 23; John 18-19

July 15: Matt 28; Mark 16
July 16: Luke 24; John 20-21
July 17: Acts 1-3
July 18: Acts 4-6
July 19: Acts 7-8
July 20: Acts 9-10
July 21: Acts 11-12

July 22: Acts 13-14
July 23: James
July 24: Acts 15-16
July 25: Gal 1-3
July 26: Gal 4-6
July 27: Acts 17-18:18
July 28: 1 & 2 Thessalonians

July 29: Acts 18:19-19:41
July 30: 1 Cor 1-4
July 31: 1 Cor 5-8
Aug 1: 1 Cor 9-11
Aug 2: 1 Cor 12-14
Aug 3: 1 Cor 15-16
Aug 4: 2 Cor 1-4

Aug 5: 2 Cor 5-9
Aug 6: 2 Cor 10-13
Aug 7: Acts 20:1-3; Rom 1-3
Aug 8: Rom 4-7
Aug 9: Rom 8-10
Aug 10: Rom 11-13
Aug 11: Rom 14-16

Aug 12: Acts 20:4-23:35
Aug 13: Acts 24-26
Aug 14: Acts 27-28
Aug 15: Colossians; Philemon
Aug 16: Ephesians
Aug 17: Philippians
Aug 18: 1 Timothy

Aug 19: Titus
Aug 20: 1 Peter
Aug 21: Heb 1-6
Aug 22: Heb 7-10
Aug 23: Heb 11-13
Aug 24: 2 Timothy
Aug 25: 2 Peter; Jude

Aug 26: 1 John
Aug 27: 2 & 3 John
Aug 28: Rev 1-5
Aug 29: Rev 6-11
Aug 30: Rev 12-18
Aug 31: Rev 19-22

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READING: Matthew 3, Mark 1, Luke 3

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READING: Matthew 4, Luke 5-5, John 1:15-51

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END OF SUMMER REFLECTION

How Have you Grown this Summer as a result of your reading of God's Word?

What is the greatest thing you have learned about God as you made your way through the New Testament? What have you learned about yourself?

What is the most significant observation you have made in the Word over the last 3 months?

What has been the most common theme of your prayers over the course of the Summer?

How will you live differently because of what you have discovered and learned in God's Word this Summer?

What is your plan to continue in God's Word now that our BEST SUMMER EVER study is done?

Add a title to each days entry. This will make it easier to find later and review.

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