

**Take Up and Read**  
**ft. Through Hymn, Omri, and Ant**

Chorus

We gotta take up and read  
Or we will never proceed  
In growing up into maturity, we oughta take heed  
In these last days what we need  
We gotta take up and read  
And be the People of the Book!  
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Verse 1

(Through Hymn)

Men in the bondage of the will, sin is the preference  
And unwilling to believe, got their fists to the heavens  
None desiring God with religious affections  
Need a modern reformation, so peer in this table talk  
B we're in a war field, so I'll make it plain to all  
Without Christ, we're sinners in the hands of an angry God  
We forgot the Trinity but Christ was slain  
Though sin is scarlet He can make it white as James  
And change the heart (Hart) to worship with reverence and awe  
In pursuit of holiness to forever adore  
Yea, saints – we got a glorious King, Lord of the rings  
around Saturn, spoke the world into being  
My place, condemned He stood, question: where do you stand?  
Because Christ is divine yet like Carl, a true man (Carl Trueman)  
According to plan, slaughtered the Lamb  
He's more than gold's worthy, deserves all that I am  
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Verse 2

(Omri)

I was abhorring allegiance to the Lord of Ephesians

Disagreed with Johnny Mac on The Gospel According to Jesus  
While exploring the regions in a vanity contest  
As the truth warred over my vanishing conscience  
Thoughts were all dung, debased the God of Wisdom  
So far from His law, son (Steve Lawson), I had Him made in our image  
That depiction of Him stretched on the cross for me  
Brought conviction that ushered in more confessions than Augustine  
Within religion that was pompous and a lie  
God still made my redemption accomplished and applied  
Sought and found grace through the Word of God in English  
Now I serve Him out in Phoenix through art for God's sake  
It takes work to build a village of saints  
So I shout out a van 'til (Cornelius Van Til) they hear the defense of the faith  
I'm filling this page so the listener takes it up  
To get in His face to say the Risen is great  
Read

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Verse 3

(Shai)

If you start with the inspired text then you'll find  
A message divine that'll shape you when it enters your mind  
In fact the pleasures of God get better with time  
Put amazing back into grace with the letters of John  
Newton, I ain't trying to be all highfalutin  
But you'll find prudence reading lectures to my students  
Ephesians 4:11 gifts from our Lord and Master  
Preaching and preachers will help reform(ed) pastor(s)  
Baxter, Richard, I demand Scripture  
Cats be like what, son (Watson)? Godly man's picture  
Time is (Thomas) now to think about these topics that'll suit ya  
The mystery of providence, the Bible and the future  
I'm chosen by God just to put a little Sproul in this  
And JC got me riled (J.C. Ryle) up about holiness  
The cross of Christ paid the price this tot (Stott) was owing (Owen)  
And The Glory of Christ is why I'm flowing  
Read

Interlude

(Various)

Foundations of the Christian Faith by James Boice  
Instruments in the Redeemer's Hands by Paul Tripp  
How Shall We Then Live? by Francis Schaeffer  
The Existence and Attributes of God by Stephen Charnock  
The Law and the Gospel by Ernest Reisinger  
Redemption Accomplished and Applied by John Murray

Called to the Ministry by Ed Clowney  
More Than Conquerors by William Hendriksen  
The Cross and Christian Ministry by DA Carson  
Systematic Theology by Wayne Grudem  
Lies Women Believe by Nancy Leigh DeMoss  
Call to Spiritual Reformation by DA Carson  
Reasons We Believe by Nathan Busenitz  
The Christian Ministry by Charles Bridges  
When People Are Big and God Is Small by Ed Welch  
Old Testament Theology by Bruce Waltke

Verse 4

(Ant)

You see it's (C.S.) me I'm just a mere Christian  
In the valley of visions where I can hear wisdom  
From the pages of many men w/ heavy pens  
Filled with charity's fruits and heaven's sentiments  
And Mr. Miller, it's the 21st century  
Please tell these modern day men what repentance is  
Or when to mortify sin in the tension of  
suspension in this praying life and entrance to the next one  
There's many flutes that you could follow but I found a Piper  
That you don't have to pay the dangerous duty of delight for  
Humility will make your burden lighter  
When you're lonely, count the cost of all your idols  
while your toes are (Tozer) on the precipice of  
knowledge of the holy as you face ya' rivals  
And knowing God'll have you cheesin' like a packer (J.I. Packer) fan  
And easily the sovereignty of God in ink's  
Been turning little boys to men who actually rock pink (A.W. Pink)  
Read