

365 DAY BIBLE

READING PLAN

THROUGH THE
BIBLE IN
A YEAR



DAILY
READINGS



365 DAYS
OF GOD'S WORD



GROW IN FAITH.
LIVE DIFFERENTLY.

ONE YEAR. ONE BIBLE. ONE SAVIOR.

Welcome to **The 356-Day Bible Reading Plan.**

Whether you are opening the Bible for the first time or have spent years studying God's Word, we are grateful you have chosen to take this journey. Reading through the Bible is one of the most rewarding spiritual disciplines someone can undertake. Through Scripture we learn who God is, discover His character and promises, understand His plan of redemption, and grow in our relationship with Jesus Christ.

The Bible is more than a collection of ancient writings. It is God's living and active Word, revealing His heart and His purposes for humanity. From Genesis to Revelation, Scripture tells one unified story: God pursuing a relationship with His people through His Son, Jesus Christ. As you move through this reading plan, you will witness God's faithfulness, His mercy, His justice, and His unfailing love.

This plan is designed to help you develop a daily habit of engaging with Scripture. Some days may be easier than others. There will be passages that inspire, challenge, encourage, and even confuse you. Do not become discouraged. Consistency is more important than perfection. If you miss a day, simply begin again where you left off and continue the journey.

We encourage you to read prayerfully, expecting God to speak through His Word. Invite the Holy Spirit to teach you, challenge you, and transform you. Consider sharing your journey with a friend, family member, small group, or others. The encouragement of fellow believers can help you stay committed to this journey and deepen your understanding of Scripture.

Our prayer is that this coming year will be about far more than simply finishing a reading plan. We pray that as you spend time in God's Word, your love for Him will grow, your understanding of Scripture will deepen, and your desire to follow Jesus will become even stronger. May He use this journey to strengthen your faith, deepen your worship, and draw you into a closer relationship with Him each day.

"Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path."
— Psalm 119:105

Memorize Acts 2:42-47

As you read and meditate on God's word with us through this reading plan, we would invite you to place a special emphasis on Acts 2:42-47. This passage will be a major focus of our ministries this year, and as you meditate on and memorize this powerful passage we trust that God will use it to encourage and inspire you!

Acts 2:42-47

They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer. Everyone was filled with awe at the many wonders and signs performed by the apostles. All the believers were together and had everything in common. They sold property and possessions to give to anyone who had need. Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved.

How to Use This Plan

The 365-Day Bible Reading Plan is designed to help believers develop a consistent habit of Bible reading while gaining a deeper understanding of the overarching story and message of Scripture.

Each day includes an **Old Testament reading and a New Testament reading**.

By following both readings each day participants will complete the entire Bible in one year while maintaining a balance between the Old and New Testaments.

A Shorter Option

You may choose to follow the New Testament readings alone if you would like. The New Testament track has been intentionally designed to provide a strong foundation in the life of Jesus, the early church, and the core teachings of the Christian faith.

Start Any Day

This plan was designed to be flexible. You do not need to begin on any particular day or follow a specific calendar schedule. Simply start with day 1 of the plan and continue forward. This makes it easy for you to begin at any point during the year.

If You Miss a Day

Do not become discouraged. Missing a day does not mean you have failed. Simply resume your reading as soon as possible. The goal is faithful engagement with God's Word over time, not perfect performance.

Keep Going

Reading through the Bible in one year is a significant accomplishment, but the true goal is deeper than completion. Allow God's Word to shape your thoughts, guide your decisions, strengthen your faith, and draw you closer to Christ every day.

As you finish the journey, remember that following Jesus is not the end of a reading plan—it is the beginning of a lifelong walk with Him.

Reading Schedule

Day	Old Testament	New Testament	Done
1	Genesis 1-2	Matthew 1	☐
2	Genesis 3	Matthew 2	☐
3	Genesis 4-5	Matthew 3	☐
4	Genesis 6	Matthew 4	☐
5	Genesis 7-8	Matthew 5	☐
6	Genesis 9	Matthew 6	☐
7	Genesis 10-11	Matthew 7	☐
8	Genesis 12	Matthew 8	☐
9	Genesis 13-14	Matthew 9	☐
10	Genesis 15	Matthew 10	☐
11	Genesis 16-17	Matthew 11	☐
12	Genesis 18	Matthew 12	☐
13	Genesis 19-20	Matthew 13	☐
14	Genesis 21	Matthew 14	☐
15	Genesis 22-23	Matthew 15	☐
16	Genesis 24	Matthew 16	☐
17	Genesis 25-26	Matthew 17	☐
18	Genesis 27	Matthew 18	☐
19	Genesis 28-29	Matthew 19	☐
20	Genesis 30	Matthew 20	☐
21	Genesis 31-32	Matthew 21	☐
22	Genesis 33	Matthew 22	☐
23	Genesis 34-35	Matthew 23	☐
24	Genesis 36	Matthew 24	☐
25	Genesis 37-38	Matthew 25	☐
26	Genesis 39	Matthew 26	☐
27	Genesis 40-41	Matthew 27	☐
28	Genesis 42	Matthew 28	☐
29	Genesis 43-44	Mark 1	☐
30	Genesis 45	Mark 2	☐

Day	Old Testament	New Testament	Done
31	Genesis 46-47	Mark 3	☐
32	Genesis 48	Mark 4	☐
33	Genesis 49-50	Mark 5	☐
34	Exodus 1-2	Mark 6	☐
35	Exodus 3	Mark 7	☐
36	Exodus 4-5	Mark 8	☐
37	Exodus 6	Mark 9	☐
38	Exodus 7-8	Mark 10	☐
39	Exodus 9	Mark 11	☐
40	Exodus 10-11	Mark 12	☐
41	Exodus 12	Mark 13	☐
42	Exodus 13-14	Mark 14	☐
43	Exodus 15	Mark 15	☐
44	Exodus 16-17	Mark 16	☐
45	Exodus 18	Luke 1	☐
46	Exodus 19-20	Luke 2	☐
47	Exodus 21	Luke 3	☐
48	Exodus 22-23	Luke 4	☐
49	Exodus 24	Luke 5	☐
50	Exodus 25-26	Luke 6	☐
51	Exodus 27	Luke 7	☐
52	Exodus 28-29	Luke 8	☐
53	Exodus 30	Luke 9	☐
54	Exodus 31-32	Luke 10	☐
55	Exodus 33	Luke 11	☐
56	Exodus 34-35	Luke 12	☐
57	Exodus 36	Luke 13	☐
58	Exodus 37-38	Luke 14	☐
59	Exodus 39-40	Luke 15	☐
60	Leviticus 1-2	Luke 16	☐
61	Leviticus 3	Luke 17	☐

Day	Old Testament	New Testament	Done
62	Leviticus 4-5	Luke 18	☐
63	Leviticus 6	Luke 19	☐
64	Leviticus 7-8	Luke 20	☐
65	Leviticus 9	Luke 21	☐
66	Leviticus 10-11	Luke 22	☐
67	Leviticus 12	Luke 23	☐
68	Leviticus 13-14	Luke 24	☐
69	Leviticus 15	John 1	☐
70	Leviticus 16-17	John 2	☐
71	Leviticus 18	John 3	☐
72	Leviticus 19-20	John 4	☐
73	Leviticus 21	John 5	☐
74	Leviticus 22-23	John 6	☐
75	Leviticus 24	John 7	☐
76	Leviticus 25-26	John 8	☐
77	Leviticus 27	John 9	☐
78	Numbers 1-2	John 10	☐
79	Numbers 3	John 11	☐
80	Numbers 4-5	John 12	☐
81	Numbers 6	John 13	☐
82	Numbers 7-8	John 14	☐
83	Numbers 9	John 15	☐
84	Numbers 10-11	John 16	☐
85	Numbers 12	John 17	☐
86	Numbers 13-14	John 18	☐
87	Numbers 15	John 19	☐
88	Numbers 16-17	John 20	☐
89	Numbers 18	John 21	☐
90	Numbers 19-21	Acts 1	☐
91	Numbers 22-24	Acts 2	☐
92	Numbers 25-27	Acts 3	☐

Day	Old Testament	New Testament	Done
93	Numbers 28-30	Acts 4	☐
94	Numbers 31-33	Acts 5	☐
95	Numbers 34-36	Acts 6	☐
96	Deuteronomy 1-3	Acts 7	☐
97	Deuteronomy 4-6	Acts 8	☐
98	Deuteronomy 7-9	Acts 9	☐
99	Deuteronomy 10-12	Acts 10	☐
100	Deuteronomy 13-15	Acts 11	☐
101	Deuteronomy 16-18	Acts 12	☐
102	Deuteronomy 19-21	Acts 13	☐
103	Deuteronomy 22-24	Acts 14	☐
104	Deuteronomy 25-27	Acts 15	☐
105	Deuteronomy 28-30	Acts 16	☐
106	Deuteronomy 31-32	Acts 17	☐
107	Deuteronomy 33-34	Acts 18	☐
108	Joshua 1-3	Acts 19	☐
109	Joshua 4-6	Acts 20	☐
110	Joshua 7-9	Acts 21	☐
111	Joshua 10-12	Acts 22	☐
112	Joshua 13-15	Acts 23	☐
113	Joshua 16-18	Acts 24	☐
114	Joshua 19-21	Acts 25	☐
115	Joshua 22-24	Acts 26	☐
116	Judges 1-3	Acts 27	☐
117	Judges 4-6	Acts 28	☐
118	Judges 7-9	Romans 1	☐
119	Judges 10-12	Romans 2	☐
120	Judges 13-15	Romans 3	☐
121	Judges 16-18	Romans 4	☐
122	Judges 19-21	Romans 5	☐
123	Ruth 1-2	Romans 6	☐

Day	Old Testament	New Testament	Done
124	Ruth 3-4	Romans 7	☐
125	1 Samuel 1-3	Romans 8	☐
126	1 Samuel 4-6	Romans 9	☐
127	1 Samuel 7-9	Romans 10	☐
128	1 Samuel 10-12	Romans 11	☐
129	1 Samuel 13-15	Romans 12	☐
130	1 Samuel 16-18	Romans 13	☐
131	1 Samuel 19-21	Romans 14	☐
132	1 Samuel 22-24	Romans 15	☐
133	1 Samuel 25-27	Romans 16	☐
134	1 Samuel 28-29	1 Corinthians 1	☐
135	1 Samuel 30-31	1 Corinthians 2	☐
136	2 Samuel 1-3	1 Corinthians 3	☐
137	2 Samuel 4-6	1 Corinthians 4	☐
138	2 Samuel 7-9	1 Corinthians 5	☐
139	2 Samuel 10-12	1 Corinthians 6	☐
140	2 Samuel 13-15	1 Corinthians 7	☐
141	2 Samuel 16-18	1 Corinthians 8	☐
142	2 Samuel 19-21	1 Corinthians 9	☐
143	2 Samuel 22-24	1 Corinthians 10	☐
144	1 Kings 1-3	1 Corinthians 11	☐
145	1 Kings 4-6	1 Corinthians 12	☐
146	1 Kings 7-9	1 Corinthians 13	☐
147	1 Kings 10-12	1 Corinthians 14	☐
148	1 Kings 13-15	1 Corinthians 15	☐
149	1 Kings 16-18	1 Corinthians 16	☐
150	1 Kings 19-20	2 Corinthians 1	☐
151	1 Kings 21-22	2 Corinthians 2	☐
152	2 Kings 1-3	2 Corinthians 3	☐
153	2 Kings 4-6	2 Corinthians 4	☐
154	2 Kings 7-9	2 Corinthians 5	☐

Day	Old Testament	New Testament	Done
155	2 Kings 10-12	2 Corinthians 6	☐
156	2 Kings 13-15	2 Corinthians 7	☐
157	2 Kings 16-18	2 Corinthians 8	☐
158	2 Kings 19-21	2 Corinthians 9	☐
159	2 Kings 22-23	2 Corinthians 10	☐
160	2 Kings 24-25	2 Corinthians 11	☐
161	1 Chronicles 1-3	2 Corinthians 12	☐
162	1 Chronicles 4-6	2 Corinthians 13	☐
163	1 Chronicles 7-9	Galatians 1	☐
164	1 Chronicles 10-12	Galatians 2	☐
165	1 Chronicles 13-15	Galatians 3	☐
166	1 Chronicles 16-18	Galatians 4	☐
167	1 Chronicles 19-21	Galatians 5	☐
168	1 Chronicles 22-24	Galatians 6	☐
169	1 Chronicles 25-27	Ephesians 1	☐
170	1 Chronicles 28-29	Ephesians 2	☐
171	2 Chronicles 1-3	Ephesians 3	☐
172	2 Chronicles 4-6	Ephesians 4	☐
173	2 Chronicles 7-9	Ephesians 5	☐
174	2 Chronicles 10-12	Ephesians 6	☐
175	2 Chronicles 13-15	Philippians 1	☐
176	2 Chronicles 16-18	Philippians 2	☐
177	2 Chronicles 19-21	Philippians 3	☐
178	2 Chronicles 22-24	Philippians 4	☐
179	2 Chronicles 25-27	Colossians 1	☐
180	2 Chronicles 28-30	Colossians 2	☐
181	2 Chronicles 31-33	Colossians 3	☐
182	2 Chronicles 34-36	Colossians 4	☐
183	Ezra 1-3	1 Thessalonians 1	☐
184	Ezra 4-6	1 Thessalonians 2	☐
185	Ezra 7-8	1 Thessalonians 3	☐

Day	Old Testament	New Testament	Done
186	Ezra 9-10	1 Thessalonians 4	☐
187	Nehemiah 1-3	1 Thessalonians 5	☐
188	Nehemiah 4-6	2 Thessalonians 1	☐
189	Nehemiah 7-9	2 Thessalonians 2	☐
190	Nehemiah 10-11	2 Thessalonians 3	☐
191	Nehemiah 12-13	1 Timothy 1	☐
192	Esther 1-3	1 Timothy 2	☐
193	Esther 4-6	1 Timothy 3	☐
194	Esther 7-8	1 Timothy 4	☐
195	Esther 9-10	1 Timothy 5	☐
196	Job 1-3	1 Timothy 6	☐
197	Job 4-6	2 Timothy 1	☐
198	Job 7-9	2 Timothy 2	☐
199	Job 10-12	2 Timothy 3	☐
200	Job 13-15	2 Timothy 4	☐
201	Job 16-18	Titus 1	☐
202	Job 19-21	Titus 2	☐
203	Job 22-24	Titus 3	☐
204	Job 25-27	Philemon 1	☐
205	Job 28-30	Hebrews 1	☐
206	Job 31-33	Hebrews 2	☐
207	Job 34-36	Hebrews 3	☐
208	Job 37-39	Hebrews 4	☐
209	Job 40-42	Hebrews 5	☐
210	Psalms 1-3	Hebrews 6	☐
211	Psalms 4-6	Hebrews 7	☐
212	Psalms 7-9	Hebrews 8	☐
213	Psalms 10-12	Hebrews 9	☐
214	Psalms 13-15	Hebrews 10	☐
215	Psalms 16-18	Hebrews 11	☐
216	Psalms 19-21	Hebrews 12	☐

Day	Old Testament	New Testament	Done
217	Psalms 22-24	Hebrews 13	☐
218	Psalms 25-27	James 1	☐
219	Psalms 28-30	James 2	☐
220	Psalms 31-33	James 3	☐
221	Psalms 34-36	James 4	☐
222	Psalms 37-39	James 5	☐
223	Psalms 40-42	1 Peter 1	☐
224	Psalms 43-45	1 Peter 2	☐
225	Psalms 46-48	1 Peter 3	☐
226	Psalms 49-51	1 Peter 4	☐
227	Psalms 52-54	1 Peter 5	☐
228	Psalms 55-57	2 Peter 1	☐
229	Psalms 58-60	2 Peter 2	☐
230	Psalms 61-63	2 Peter 3	☐
231	Psalms 64-66	1 John 1	☐
232	Psalms 67-69	1 John 2	☐
233	Psalms 70-72	1 John 3	☐
234	Psalms 73-75	1 John 4	☐
235	Psalms 76-78	1 John 5	☐
236	Psalms 79-81	2 John 1	☐
237	Psalms 82-84	3 John 1	☐
238	Psalms 85-87	Jude 1	☐
239	Psalms 88-90	Revelation 1	☐
240	Psalms 91-93	Revelation 2	☐
241	Psalms 94-96	Revelation 3	☐
242	Psalms 97-99	Revelation 4	☐
243	Psalms 100-102	Revelation 5	☐
244	Psalms 103-105	Revelation 6	☐
245	Psalms 106-108	Revelation 7	☐
246	Psalms 109-111	Revelation 8	☐
247	Psalms 112-114	Revelation 9	☐

Day	Old Testament	New Testament	Done
248	Psalms 115-117	Revelation 10	☐
249	Psalms 118-120	Revelation 11	☐
250	Psalms 121-123	Revelation 12	☐
251	Psalms 124-126	Revelation 13	☐
252	Psalms 127-129	Revelation 14	☐
253	Psalms 130-132	Revelation 15	☐
254	Psalms 133-135	Revelation 16	☐
255	Psalms 136-138	Revelation 17	☐
256	Psalms 139-141	Revelation 18	☐
257	Psalms 142-144	Revelation 19	☐
258	Psalms 145-147	Revelation 20	☐
259	Psalms 148-150	Revelation 21	☐
260	Proverbs 1-3	Revelation 22	☐
261	Proverbs 4-6	Acts 1	☐
262	Proverbs 7-9	Acts 2	☐
263	Proverbs 10-12	Acts 3	☐
264	Proverbs 13-15	Acts 4	☐
265	Proverbs 16-18	Acts 5	☐
266	Proverbs 19-21	Acts 6	☐
267	Proverbs 22-24	Acts 7	☐
268	Proverbs 25-27	Acts 8	☐
269	Proverbs 28-29	Acts 9	☐
270	Proverbs 30-31	Acts 10	☐
271	Ecclesiastes 1-3	Acts 11	☐
272	Ecclesiastes 4-6	Acts 12	☐
273	Ecclesiastes 7-9	Acts 13	☐
274	Ecclesiastes 10-12	Acts 14	☐
275	Song of Solomon 1-3	Acts 15	☐
276	Song of Solomon 4-6	Acts 16	☐
277	Song of Solomon 7-8	Acts 17	☐
278	Isaiah 1-3	Acts 18	☐

Day	Old Testament	New Testament	Done
279	Isaiah 4-6	Acts 19	☐
280	Isaiah 7-9	Acts 20	☐
281	Isaiah 10-12	Acts 21	☐
282	Isaiah 13-15	Acts 22	☐
283	Isaiah 16-18	Acts 23	☐
284	Isaiah 19-21	Acts 24	☐
285	Isaiah 22-24	Acts 25	☐
286	Isaiah 25-27	Acts 26	☐
287	Isaiah 28-30	Acts 27	☐
288	Isaiah 31-33	Acts 28	☐
289	Isaiah 34-36	Romans 1	☐
290	Isaiah 37-39	Romans 2	☐
291	Isaiah 40-42	Romans 3	☐
292	Isaiah 43-45	Romans 4	☐
293	Isaiah 46-48	Romans 5	☐
294	Isaiah 49-51	Romans 6	☐
295	Isaiah 52-54	Romans 7	☐
296	Isaiah 55-57	Romans 8	☐
297	Isaiah 58-60	Romans 9	☐
298	Isaiah 61-63	Romans 10	☐
299	Isaiah 64-66	Romans 11-12	☐
300	Jeremiah 1-3	Romans 13	☐
301	Jeremiah 4-6	Romans 14	☐
302	Jeremiah 7-9	Romans 15	☐
303	Jeremiah 10-12	Romans 16	☐
304	Jeremiah 13-15	James 1	☐
305	Jeremiah 16-18	James 2	☐
306	Jeremiah 19-21	James 3	☐
307	Jeremiah 22-24	James 4	☐
308	Jeremiah 25-27	James 5	☐
309	Jeremiah 28-30	1 Peter 1-2	☐

Day	Old Testament	New Testament	Done
310	Jeremiah 31-33	1 Peter 3	☐
311	Jeremiah 34-36	1 Peter 4	☐
312	Jeremiah 37-39	1 Peter 5	☐
313	Jeremiah 40-42	1 John 1	☐
314	Jeremiah 43-45	1 John 2	☐
315	Jeremiah 46-48	1 John 3-4	☐
316	Jeremiah 49-50	1 John 5	☐
317	Jeremiah 51-52	Matthew 1	☐
318	Lamentations 1-3	Matthew 2	☐
319	Lamentations 4-5	Matthew 3	☐
320	Ezekiel 1-3	Matthew 4	☐
321	Ezekiel 4-6	Matthew 5	☐
322	Ezekiel 7-9	Matthew 6	☐
323	Ezekiel 10-12	Matthew 7	☐
324	Ezekiel 13-15	Matthew 8	☐
325	Ezekiel 16-18	Matthew 9	☐
326	Ezekiel 19-21	Matthew 10	☐
327	Ezekiel 22-24	Matthew 11	☐
328	Ezekiel 25-27	Matthew 12	☐
329	Ezekiel 28-30	Matthew 13	☐
330	Ezekiel 31-33	Matthew 14	☐
331	Ezekiel 34-36	Matthew 15	☐
332	Ezekiel 37-39	Matthew 16	☐
333	Ezekiel 40-42	Matthew 17	☐
334	Ezekiel 43-45	Matthew 18	☐
335	Ezekiel 46-48	Matthew 19	☐
336	Daniel 1-3	Matthew 20	☐
337	Daniel 4-6	Matthew 21	☐
338	Daniel 7-9	Matthew 22	☐
339	Daniel 10-12	Matthew 23	☐
340	Hosea 1-3	Matthew 24	☐

Day	Old Testament	New Testament	Done
341	Hosea 4-6	Matthew 25	☐
342	Hosea 7-9	Matthew 26	☐
343	Hosea 10-12	Matthew 27	☐
344	Hosea 13-14	Matthew 28	☐
345	Joel 1-3	John 1	☐
346	Amos 1-3	John 2	☐
347	Amos 4-6	John 3	☐
348	Amos 7-9	John 4	☐
349	Obadiah 1	John 5	☐
350	Jonah 1-2	John 6	☐
351	Jonah 3-4	John 7	☐
352	Micah 1-3	John 8	☐
353	Micah 4-5	John 9	☐
354	Micah 6-7	John 10	☐
355	Nahum 1-3	John 11	☐
356	Habakkuk 1-3	John 12	☐
357	Zephaniah 1-3	John 13	☐
358	Haggai 1-2	John 14	☐
359	Zechariah 1-3	John 15	☐
360	Zechariah 4-6	John 16	☐
361	Zechariah 7-9	John 17	☐
362	Zechariah 10-12	John 18	☐
363	Zechariah 13-14	John 19	☐
364	Malachi 1-2	John 20	☐
365	Malachi 3-4	John 21	☐

The Gospel in Brief

The gospel is not simply one message found in the Bible. It is the story the entire Bible tells.

From Genesis to Revelation, God reveals His plan to redeem a people for Himself through Jesus Christ. As Scripture unfolds, this story is revealed through promises, prophecies, covenants, sacrifices, kings, prophets, and ultimately in the person and work of Jesus Christ. As readers journey through God's Word, they become more deeply acquainted with the God who authored this story and the Savior who stands at its center.

The Bible teaches that God created humanity to know Him, love Him, and live in relationship with Him. We were made in His image to reflect His character and bring Him glory. Yet humanity rebelled against God. The Bible calls this rebellion sin. Sin has separated every person from God, and no amount of good works or religious effort can restore that broken relationship.

Because God is loving, merciful, and faithful, He did not abandon us. Throughout the Old Testament, He promised to send a Savior. That promise was fulfilled in Jesus Christ.

Jesus, the Son of God, lived a perfect and sinless life and willingly died on the cross as the sacrifice for our sins. Three days later, He rose from the dead, defeating sin and death. Through His death and resurrection, God offers forgiveness, reconciliation, and eternal life to all who repent and place their faith in Christ.

If you have never trusted Jesus as your Savior, today can be the beginning of a new life. Turn to Him, believe the gospel, and receive the hope and eternal life that God offers through His Son.

As you read the Bible, remember that every page is part of this great story of God's redeeming love, revealing His character, His faithfulness, and His plan of salvation through Jesus Christ. As you come to know Him more deeply through His Word, you will also discover your place in His story.

"For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life."

— John 3:16

How to Study the Bible

Reading the Bible is more than completing chapters or checking boxes. It is an opportunity to hear from God and allow His Word to shape your life. The following process can help you engage Scripture more effectively.

1. Begin with Prayer

Before opening your Bible, ask God to help you understand His Word. Invite the Holy Spirit to teach you, give you wisdom, and help you apply what you read. A simple prayer such as, "Lord, teach me through Your Word today," can prepare your heart to receive what God wants to show you.

2. Read Carefully

Take your time. Read thoughtfully and pay attention to the details. Notice key words, repeated themes, commands, promises, and descriptions of God's character. Read the

Bible with all your senses. Imagine what the people saw, heard, smelled, tasted, and felt. Picture yourself in the scene, allowing the sights, sounds, emotions, and physical details of the passage to deepen your understanding of God's Word. Consider reading portions more than once if something stands out or seems unclear.

3. Observe What the Passage Says

Ask questions such as:

- Who is speaking?
- Who is being addressed?
- What is happening?
- What does this passage reveal about God?
- What does it reveal about people?
- Are there commands, warnings, promises, or examples to follow?

Observation helps you understand what the text actually says before deciding what it means.

4. Interpret in Context

Every passage should be understood within its broader context. Consider the surrounding chapters, the book's purpose, and the overall message of the Bible. Scripture interprets Scripture, and individual verses should never be isolated from their context.

As you read, remember that the entire Bible points ultimately to Jesus Christ and God's plan of redemption.

5. Apply What You Learn

Ask yourself:

- What truth should I believe?
- What action should I take?
- Is there a sin to confess?
- Is there a promise to trust?
- Is there an example to follow?

The goal of Bible study is not simply information but transformation.

6. Share What God Is Teaching You

Spiritual growth often happens most effectively in community. Discuss Bible readings with family members, friends, small groups, or other believers. Sharing insights and asking questions can deepen understanding and encourage others.

Consider keeping a journal as you read. Record what stands out, prayers you want to remember, and lessons God teaches you along the way.

Sample Prayer Journal Page

What did I learn about God?

What did I learn about myself?

How can I apply this passage?

Who can I pray for?

Prayer Requests:



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