



THE BIBLE

MORE THAN A BOOK

HOW TO READ THE BIBLE

STEP 1: PREPARE YOURSELF

Pick a quiet place. Eliminate distractions. Give yourself some personal time to visualize God and set the pace for your devotion time with him.

STEP 2: UNDERSTAND THE CONTEXT

Think about the context of the section you're about to read. Who wrote it? Who did they originally write it to? What was the occasion for writing it? Use study aids and personal notes as needed.

STEP 3: READ AND APPLY

Take your time and be intentional as you read (or listen to) the assigned reading for the day. Consider using the SOAP method to guide you through the process:

Scripture: Pick a verse that stood out to you. Write it down or highlight it.

Observation: Write down some observations regarding the verse. What insight does it give you? What does it teach you about God, life, faith, character, truth, sin, relationship, culture, etc.?

Application: Think about how the verse applies to your life right now. Does it challenge the way you view God? Does it shape how you view yourself or others? Is there an encouragement or promise that God wants you to take to heart? Is there a warning you need to be aware of?

Prayer: Take a moment to talk to your Father about what his Word prompted in you. You can include thankfulness, confession, and any petitions that might come to mind.

WEEK 1

- ▶ Philippians 1
- ▶ Philippians 2
- ▶ Philippians 3
- ▶ Philippians 4
- ▶ Isaiah 40-41
- ▶ Isaiah 42-43

WEEK 2

- ▶ Isaiah 44-45
- ▶ Isaiah 46-47
- ▶ Isaiah 48-49
- ▶ Isaiah 50-51
- ▶ Isaiah 52-53
- ▶ Isaiah 54-55

WEEK 3

- ▶ John 1-2
- ▶ John 3-4
- ▶ John 5
- ▶ John 6
- ▶ John 7-8
- ▶ John 9-10

WEEK 4

- ▶ John 11-12
- ▶ John 13-14
- ▶ John 15-16
- ▶ John 17-18
- ▶ John 19
- ▶ John 20-21