

Bible Reading Plan

Updated and Expanded Edition

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Several Bible Reading Plans for you to try!

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THE MISSION

A Letter from the Pastor

Friends -

Over the past decade, 500,000 people in 2,000 churches went through the REVEAL Spiritual Life Survey. Big churches and small churches. From the east coast to the west coast. Baptists. Presbyterians. Vineyard. Non-denominational. And everything in between. Here is what they discovered: It doesn't matter if you are just beginning your spiritual journey or if you are a mature believer . . . the most powerful spiritual practice that you can engage in centers on the Bible. Reading it. Studying it. Meditating on it. Memorizing verses in it.

That is why I created this handout. To give you a practical tool to help you dig into the Scriptures. May you be blessed as you read through it and may God use it to help you read and study your Bible like never before!

Here are the first four steps to take on this journey . . .

Step 1

Take 15 minutes to read through this entire handout.

Step 2

Go to the store and buy a journal. It's a great practice to use one as you read the Bible.

Step 3

Purchase a Study Bible if you don't currently own one. See page 3 for suggestions.

Step 4

Pick one of the Bible Reading Plans found in this handout. Get a plan and then "work" the plan!

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Bible Reading Overview

What is the Best Way to Read the Bible?

Christians often struggle with reading the Bible on a consistent basis because they don't follow a plan. So they may read one book of the Bible (like Matthew) and then arbitrarily pick the next book to read (like Exodus). Or they play "Bible roulette" each day and randomly open their Bibles to a certain page or book and read what's in front of them. Reading the Bible in those ways is kind of like getting a gym membership but never showing up on a consistent basis, not setting any bodyweight or cardio goals, and randomly working out on one body part when you feel like doing so. You simply won't get the results you want if you do that. You need a workout plan. The same goes for reading the Bible. While there is no "best" way to read the Bible, the most important thing is to have a reading plan, and then follow it.

Which Bible Reading Plan Do You Recommend?

There are numerous Bible reading plans that you may choose to follow. This handout will give an overview of several that are recommended by our lead pastor.

What Questions Should I Be Asking When I Read?

Regardless of the reading plan you choose to follow, as you read each passage from the Bible, here are some questions to guide your thinking:

- What resonated with you?
- What were your "a ha" moments?
- What do you have questions about?
- What bothered you?
- Where was God speaking to you and what did he say?

As you read and reflect on what you read, use the journal you purchased to capture your thoughts and answers to these questions. Write a few sentences or a few paragraphs each day.

What If I Miss a Day?

If you miss a day of reading, give yourself grace. If (when!) this happens, you can choose to "make up" a day by reading two days worth the following day, or just keep plugging along while not feeling the need to "catch up." Be sure to read the quotes on page 5 of this handout so you have the right perspective about reading the Bible.

What if I Don't Understand What I'm Reading?

Make sure you read each portion of Scripture slowly enough to think about and absorb what you are reading. You may even want to read a passage a few times. However, even after reading a particular passage a few times, you may be scratching your head and thinking, "Huh?" If that is the case, simply move onto the next passage listed in your reading plan. Don't get hung up on what you don't understand.

What about Study Bibles?

It would be a great idea to purchase a Study Bible. This type of Bible contains dozens of notes on every page that explain and unpack what you are reading. A lot of times people read verses from a book like Amos or Galatians and wonder, "Who was Amos or the church in Galatia? What does this verse or that verse mean? What is the context?" Study Bibles provide those answers. Here are some recommended ones to purchase: *The Quest Study Bible*, the *CSB Study Bible*, *NIV Study Bible*, the *ESV Study Bible*, the *NKJV Chronological Study Bible*. Buying a good Study Bible might cost you \$40 or more, but don't cheap out! After all, you probably pay that amount of money for your cell phone each month and you'll use this Bible for the next 20 years of your life.

Bible Reading “Helps”

Let’s face it! The Bible can be hard to understand at times. Here are some great books to help you gain a better grasp of what’s in the Bible and how to read it . . .

***How to Read the Bible for All Its Worth* by Gordon Fee & Douglas Stewart**

Over 900,000 copies sold! This book is a “must have”! It offers a practical approach to Bible study in an easy-to-understand style. This book is true to its name. It will help you learn how to read the Bible for all its worth!

***How to Read the Bible Book by Book* by Gordon Fee & Douglas Stewart**

Like an experienced tour guide, this book takes you by the hand and walks you through the Scriptures. For each book of the Bible, the authors start with a quick snapshot, then expand the view to help you better understand its key elements and how it fits into the grand narrative of the Bible.

***Talk Thru The Bible* by Bruce Wilkinson and Kenneth Boa**

Adapted from the popular Walk Thru The Bible seminars, this book provides a guided tour through the Old and New Testaments. Because of its easy-to-use format, you’ll be able — for any book of the Bible — to find: the meaning of the book’s name, who wrote it, the date and setting, the theme and purpose, its key words, verses and chapters, a broad summary of the events and highlights that it records.

***The Bible Jesus Read* by Phillip Yancey**

The Old Testament makes up 2/3 of the Bible yet most Christians usually avoid it. Yet, back when Jesus lived, the Old Testament was the only set of Scriptures that existed; it was the Bible Jesus read. If you think the Old Testament is just a mysterious, outdated part of the Bible, think again! Through reading this book, you will discover the rich treasures of the Old Testament that most Christians choose to leave buried.

***Introduction to Biblical Interpretation* by William Klein, Craig Blomberg, & Ronald Hubbard**

This is a Bible college or seminary level book that covers the topic of hermeneutics. It takes concepts found in *How to Read the Bible for All Its Worth* and goes way beyond the surface.

***Hearing God* by Dallas Willard**

Being close to God means communicating with him — telling him what is on our hearts in praying and hearing and understanding what He is saying to us. It is this second half of our conversation with God that is so important, but can also be so difficult. How do we hear His voice? How can we be sure that what we think we hear is not our own subconscious? What role does the Bible play? What if what God says to us is not clear?

***Shaped by the Word* by M. Robert Mulholland**

This book will teach you a new way to read Scripture — a way that allows Scripture to shape your spiritual life. Learn to listen for the voice of God in the Bible, move from informational reading to formational reading of the Bible, and give up “control” over the text, letting God lead your reading and understanding.

You might be thinking, That’s a lot of books! You are absolutely right, but think of them as long-term investments in your spiritual life. Many books you buy and read once, then put on the shelf to gather dust. But reference books are used over and over again as you study the Bible, and they can give a lifetime of enjoyment . . . Start saving money to buy these tools, and begin with the basic library. -

Rick Warren in Rick Warren’s Bible Study Methods

Perspectives on Bible Reading

Here are some quotations from a handful of authors about reading the Bible:

David Watson - *Fear No Evil: A Personal Struggle with Cancer*

To begin, choose a single piece of Scripture – one “thought” of God’s – that you will live with for one day . . . Take, for example, this thought from Psalm 46:10, “Be still, and know that I am God!” For one day, live with these words. Let your mind continually return to them in secret. “Today as best I can, I am going to be still. I am not going to chatter thoughtlessly. I will remember that I don’t have to defend myself or make sure people think of me the way I want them to.”

John Ortberg – *The Life You’ve Always Wanted*

If we feed our souls regularly on God’s Word, several times each day, we should become robust spiritually just as we feed on ordinary food several times each day, and become robust physically.

M. Robert Mulholland - *Shaped by the Word*

In contrast to reading for information, the object is not to cover as much as possible or as quickly as possible; reading for formation avoids quantifying the amount of reading in any sort of way. You are concerned with quality of reading, not quantity. You may find yourself in a “holding pattern” on just one sentence or one paragraph or perhaps as much as a whole page, but probably never more than that. You are not concerned with getting through the book. So what if it takes you a year, two years, or five years to get through the book? That is not the point. The point is meeting God in the text.

John Ortberg - *The Life You’ve Always Wanted*

Success is not measured by the number of pages read. Sometime ago I set a goal of praying through the Psalms, one Psalm a day . . . But a strange thing happened. I found that my goal became to get through the Psalms . . . Naturally, this utterly sabotaged God’s real purpose in giving the Psalms in the first place. God wants to speak to us, to renew us. And if he is using one Psalm, or even one word, to do this, our job is to stick with it as long as it takes to learn what we need to learn. The goal is not for us to get through the Scriptures. The goal is to get the Scriptures through us.

Dallas Willard - *The Divine Conspiracy*

To dribble a few verses or chapters of Scripture on oneself through the week, in church or out, will not reorder one’s mind and spirit – just as one drop of water every five minutes will not get you a shower, no matter how long you keep it up. You need a lot of water at once and for a sufficiently long time. Similarly for the written Word.

Richard Foster - *The Celebration of Discipline*

I have discovered that the most difficult problem is not finding time but convincing myself that this is important enough to set aside the time.

Bible Reading Plan #1

YouVersion Bible App

Overview

390 million around the world read the Bible using this app! The YouVersion Bible App offers a free Bible experience for smartphones, tablets, as well as online at bible.com. Their generous partners make it possible for them to offer 2,001 Bible versions in 1,346 languages for free and without advertising.

“Help Me Find a Plan”

There are tons of Bible reading plans available through this app. After you download the YouVersion Bible app for your phone/tablet or access it through bible.com, click on “Plans” and then pray ask the Holy Spirit to lead you to the right one to try!

Here are a handful of the Bible Reading Plans available on this app:

- Reading the Bible in Historical Sequence
- A Chapter A Day: Reading the Bible in 3 Years
- Read Through the New Testament
- The Blue Letter Bible “Canonical”
- Read Through the Bible
- The One Year Chronological Bible
- How to Start Reading the Bible
- Making Time to Rest
- What Does It Mean to Worship?
- A 7-Day Guide to Prayer
- From Anxiety to Peace
- 7 Days to Becoming a Generous Person
- Genesis Explained
- The Essential 100 Bible Challenge
- The Gospel According to Mark
- Jesus the King
- Bible in 90 Days
- Your journey to Gratitude
- Dear 26 Year Old Me
- Double Blessing
- Resting in His Power
- The Spirit Filled Life
- Start Your Fast Well
- The Forty-Day Word Fast
- God So Good
- Living the Psalms With Jesus
- Acts

... And that is literally just the tip of the iceberg!!!!

Bible Reading Plan #2

Moravian Daily Text

Overview

The Moravian Texts have been used by Christians from many different denominations since it was originally published in the 18th century. If you follow this Plan, you will be reading the same Scriptures that millions of Christians around the world are reading on the same day! You will all be on the same page... literally.

Ways to Use the Moravian Daily Texts

The *Moravian Daily Texts* is a reading plan which assigns 3 to 4 passages from the Bible each day, from both the Old Testament and New Testaments. Do not feel like you have to read every one of them! The goal is not to get through all the verses so you can check them off of your “things to do” list. The goal is to be transformed by what we read.

Here are a few ways to get the most out of this reading plan. Read them over and pick the one that makes the most sense to you:

- **Option 1:** Pick one category (e.g., the Psalm reading or the New Testament reading) and only read that portion each day. Ignore the rest of the categories. Act like they don't exist. Once you read your passage, get out your journal and capture your thoughts.
- **Option 2:** Start reading the assigned Scriptures for that day until something “hits” you. In other words, read until something really jumps out at you / where you have an “a ha” moment / where you feel convicted or inspired by what you are reading. On one day, this might happen after you read just a couple verses in Psalms. On another day, it may not happen until you get to the New Testament portion. The key is this: whenever you have this “a ha” moment, stop reading. Spend the rest of your time journaling, thinking, and praying about the verse or verses that impacted you.
- **Option 3:** If you are naturally a fast reader, you could do a “wide reading” approach where you read every passage listed for each day. This is beneficial as it allows you to see the “big picture” and the key themes that led the creators of *The Moravian Texts* to group the passages the way they did.

Where To Get It

The Moravian Daily Texts are available online as well as in print:

- Go to moravian.org and click on “The Daily Texts”
- Purchase the *2020 Moravian Daily Texts* for a print copy. Purchase information found at moravian.org

A Few Examples

Here are a few examples of what your daily reading would look like if you used this Bible Reading Plan:

- Monday: Psalm 38:9-16 / Esther 1 / Romans 8:9-19
- Tuesday: Psalm 38:17-22 / Esther 2:1-18 / Romans 8:20-33
- Wednesday: Psalm 39:1-6 / Esther 2:19-3:15 / Romans 8:34-9:7

Bible Reading Plan #3

The 4 Gospels in 40 Days

This page contains a day-by-day guide so you will read all 4 gospels in 40 days. Each gospel paints a “portrait” of Jesus and by reading these 4 biographies back-to-back-to-back-to-back, you will gain insight and perspective into the life of Jesus like never before. **Tip: tear out this page, fold it in half and use it as a bookmark in your Bible. That way you’ll have this reading plan right at your fingertips.**

Day 1 - Mark 1-2	Day 22 - Luke 1-2
Day 2 - Mark 3-4	Day 23 - Luke 3-4
Day 3 - Mark 5-6	Day 24 - Luke 5-7
Day 4 - Mark 7-8	Day 25 - Luke 8-9
Day 5 - Mark 9-10	Day 26 - Luke 10-11
Day 6 - Mark 11-12	Day 27 - Luke 12-13
Day 7 - Mark 13-14	Day 28 - Luke 14-16
Day 8 - Mark 15-16	Day 29 - Luke 17-18
Day 9 - Matthew 1-2	Day 30 - Luke 19-20
Day 10 - Matthew 3-4	Day 31 - Luke 21-22
Day 11 - Matthew 5-7	Day 32 - Luke 23-24
Day 12 - Matthew 8-9	Day 33 - John 1-2
Day 13 - Matthew 10-11	Day 34 - John 3-4
Day 14 - Matthew 12-13	Day 35 - John 5-7
Day 15 - Matthew 14-15	Day 36 - John 8-10
Day 16 - Matthew 16-17	Day 37 - John 11-13
Day 17 - Matthew 18-19	Day 38 - John 14-16
Day 18 - Matthew 20-21	Day 39 - John 17-19
Day 19 - Matthew 22-23	Day 40 - John 20-21
Day 20 - Matthew 24-26	
Day 21 - Matthew 27-28	

Bible Reading Plan #4 Chronological Order

This Bible Reading Plan takes the 66 books of the Bible and rearranges them in the order of events as they occurred in history. This Plan is designed so you can read the entire Bible in one year. No dates are listed so you don't have to wait until January 1st to begin. Start today! Each week contains a column of 7 "blocks" of reading. Some contain a handful of verses while others contain several chapters from various books of the Bible. The idea is to read one block per day. That being said, the goal is not to get through the Bible but to get the Bible through you. So be sure to read at a pace where you can absorb what you are reading. **Tip: tear out each of the following pages one at a time and put them in your Bible. For example tear out this page, fold it in half and use it as a bookmark in your Bible for Weeks 1 thru 10 of the plan. Once you complete the reading for Week 10, tear out the next page and put that one in your Bible. That way, you'll have this reading plan right at your fingertips.**

	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5
1	Genesis 1-4	Job 15-21	Genesis 21-22	Genesis 39-41	Exodus 13-15
2	Genesis 5-6	Job 22-26	Genesis 23-24	Genesis 42-46	Exodus 16-18
3	Genesis 7-8	Job 27-31	Genesis 25-26	Genesis 47-50	Exodus 19-21
4	Genesis 9-11	Job 32-37	Genesis 27-29	Exodus 1-2	Exodus 22-24
5	Job 1-2	Job 38-42	Genesis 30-32	Exodus 3:1-6:27	Exodus 25-27
6	Job 3-8	Genesis 12-15	Genesis 33-36	Exodus 6:28-9:35	Exodus 28-31
7	Job 9-14	Genesis 16-20	Genesis 37-38	Exodus 10-12	Exodus 32-34

	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8	Week 9	Week 10
1	Exodus 35-37	Leviticus 19-22	Numbers 8-10	Numbers 29-32	Deuteronomy 11-14
2	Exodus 38-40	Leviticus 23-24	Numbers 11-13	Numbers 33-34	Deuteronomy 15-18
3	Leviticus 1-3	Leviticus 25-27	Numbers 14-16	Numbers 35-36	Deuteronomy 19-21
4	Leviticus 4-7	Numbers 1-2	Numbers 17-19	Deuteronomy 1-2	Deuteronomy 22-25
5	Leviticus 8-11	Numbers 3-4	Numbers 20-21	Deuteronomy 3-4	Deuteronomy 26-28
6	Leviticus 12-15	Numbers 5-6	Numbers 22-24	Deuteronomy 5-7	Deuteronomy 29:1-31:29
7	Leviticus 16-18	Numbers 7	Numbers 25-28	Deuteronomy 8-10	Deuteronomy 31:30-34:12

	Week 11	Week 12	Week 13	Week 14	Week 15
1	Psalm 90 / Joshua 1-2	Joshua 23-24	Judges 18-19	1 Samuel 13-16	2 Samuel 2-4
2	Joshua 3-6	Judges 1:1-3:6	Judges 20-21	Psalm 23 / 1 Samuel 17-19	2 Samuel 5-7
3	Joshua 7-9	Judges 3:7-5:31	Ruth 1-4	Psalm 59 / 1 Sam. 19-21	1 Chr. 9:35-44 / 1 Chronicles 10-11
4	Joshua 10-12	Judges 6-8	1 Samuel 1-3	Psalm 56, 34 / 1 Samuel 22/ Psalm 52 / 1 Samuel 23 / Psalm 63	1 Chronicles 12-15
5	Joshua 13-15	Judges 9-12	1 Samuel 4-6	1 Samuel 24 / Psalm 57, 142 / 1 Samuel 25	Psalms 8, 19, 29, 32,
6	Joshua 16-19	Judges 13-15	1 Samuel 7-9	Psalm 54 / 1 Sam. 26-30	Psalms 65, 68, 103, 108, 138
7	Joshua 20-22	Judges 16-17	1 Samuel 10-12	1 Samuel 31 / 2 Sam. 1 / Psalm 18	1 Chronicles 16 / Psalms 96, 105, 106

	Week 16	Week 17	Week 18	Week 19	Week 20
1	Psalms 39, 62, 50, 73, 74, 75, 76	2 Samuel 20-21	Psalms 35, 36, 38, 40, 41	1 Chronicles 27-29	Proverbs 13-15
2	Psalm 77, 78, 79	2 Samuel 22-23 / 1 Chr. 18:1-13	Psalms 53, 55, 58, 61, 64, 69, 70, 71	Psalms 2, 20, 21, 72, 93	Proverbs 16-18
3	Psalms 80, 81, 82, 83, 88	Psalm 60 / 1 Chr. 18:14-20:8 / 2 Samuel 24	Psalms 86, 102, 109, 139, 140, 141, 143	Psalms 94, 95, 97, 98, 99, 101, 110, 144	Proverbs 19:1-22:16
4	1 Chr. 17 / 2 Samuel 8:1-12:14 / Psalm 51	1 Kings 1-2 / 1 Chronicles 21	Psalms 37 / 1 Chronicles 22 / Psalm 30	1 Kings 3-4	1 Kings 5-6
5	2 Samuel 12:15-14:33	Psalms 4, 5, 6, 9, 10	1 Chronicles 23-26	Proverbs 1-4	1 Kings 7-8
6	2 Samuel 15 / Psalm 3 / 2 Samuel 16 / Psalm 7	Psalms 11, 12, 13, 14, 16, 17, 22	Psalms 15, 24, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46	Proverbs 5-9	1 Kings 9-10
7	2 Samuel 17-19	Psalms 25, 26, 27, 28, 31	Psalms 47, 48, 49, 84, 85, 87	Proverbs 10-12	Ecclesiastes 1-3

	Week 21	Week 22	Week 23	Week 24	Week 25
1	Ecclesiastes 4-8	1 Kings 14:21-16:20 / 2 Chr. 10-11	2 Kings 5:1-8:15	Amos 5:18-9:15	2 Kings 16:5-9 / Isaiah 7:1-10:4, 17:1-14
2	Ecclesiastes 9-12	2 Chr. 12-16	2 Kings 8:16-10:36	Hosea 1-3	Isaiah 14:24-32 / 2 Kings 16:10-20 / Micah 1-2
3	1 Kings 11:1-8 / Song of Songs 1-3	1 Kings 16:21-34, 17-19	2 Chronicles 21:1-22:9 / 2 Kings 11-12	Hosea 4-10	Micah 3-7
4	Song of Songs 4-8	1 Kings 20:1-22:50	2 Kings 13:1-14:22 / 2 Chr. 22:10-23:21	Hosea 11-14	2 Chronicles 27-28 / 2 Kings 17:1-4
5	1 Kings 11:9-43 / 2 Chronicles 1-4	2 Chr. 17-20	2 Chronicles 24-25 / 2 Kings 14:23-29	2 Kings 15:1-7 / Isaiah 6 / Isaiah 1-2	Isaiah 28-29 / 2 Kings 17:5-41
6	2 Chronicles 5-9	1 Kings 22:51-53 / 2 Kings 1	Jonah 1-4	Isaiah 3-5	2 Kings 18:1-12 / Isaiah 10:5-12:6
7	1 Kings 12:1-14:20	2 Kings 2-4	Amos 1:1-5:17	2 Chronicles 26 / 2 Kings 15:8-16:4	Proverbs 25-29

	Week 26	Week 27	Week 28	Week 29	Week 30
1	Isaiah 18-20	Isaiah 25-27	Psalms 33, 66, 67, 100	Habakkuk 1-3 / 2 Kings 23:35-37	Jeremiah 23:9-40; 18:18-20:18
2	Isaiah 15-16	2 Chronicles 29-31	2 Kings 23:26-27	Jeremiah 26:1-6; 7:1-8:3; 26:7-24; 11:1-12:17	2 Kings 24:5-9 / Jeremiah 22:18-30; 13:15-27
3	Isaiah 22:15-25, 30:1-32:20	2 Chronicles 32:24-31, 32:1-23, 32:32-33	Jeremiah 1-2	Jeremiah 47:1-7; 46:1-12; 13:1-14; 18:1-17	2 Kings 24:10-17 / 2 Chronicles 36:5-10
4	2 Kings 20:1-11 / Isaiah 38:1-22 / 2 Kings 20:12-19 / Isaiah 39:1-8 / Isaiah 36:1 / 2 Kings 18:13-16	2 Kings 21-22	Jeremiah 3-4	Jeremiah 36:1-10; 25:1-14; 36:11-32; 45:1-5; 15:10-21	Jeremiah 24:1-10 / Daniel 1
5	2 Kings 18:17-19:7 / Isaiah 36:2-37:7	Zephaniah 1-3	Jeremiah 5-6	Jeremiah 14:1-15:9; 16:1-17:27	Daniel 2-4
6	2 Kings 19:8-37 / Isaiah 37:8-38 / 2 Kings 20:20-21	2 Kings 23:1-25	Nahum 1-3 / 2 Kings 23:28-34	Jeremiah 8:4-10:16	2 Kings 24:18-19 / Jeremiah 52:1-2
7	Isaiah 22:1-14; 23:1-18; 24:1-23	2 Chronicles 33:1-35:19	Jeremiah 22:10-17 / 2 Chronicles 35:20-36:4	2 Kings 24:1-4 / Jeremiah 35	Jeremiah 27:1-11; 48:1-49:39

	Week 31	Week 32	Week 33	Week 34	Week 35
1	Jeremiah 25:15-38; 27:12-28:17	Jeremiah 23:1-8; 38:1-28	Ezekiel 3:22-7:27; 29:1-16; 30:20-31:18	Ezekiel 33:21-33; 19:1-14; 22:23-31	Ezekiel 29:17-21; 30:1-19
2	Jeremiah 29	2 Chr. 36:13-16 / Ezekiel 8-11	2 Kings 25:4-7 / Jeremiah 52:7-11; 39:1-7 / 2 Kings 25:8-11 / Jeremiah 52:12-27; 39:8-10	Ezekiel 25:1-28:26; 32:1-32	2 Kings 25:27-30 / Jeremiah 52:31-34 / Isaiah 13:1-14:23; 21:1-17; 33:1-35:10
3	Jeremiah 50-51	Ezekiel 13-15	Lamentations 1-2	Psalm 137 / Obadiah 1:1-21 / Jeremiah 52:28-30	Daniel 5
4	2 Chronicles 36:11-12 / Ezekiel 1:1-3:21 / 2 Kings 24:20-25:3 / Jeremiah 52:3-6	Ezekiel 16-18	Lamentations 3-5	Ezekiel 33:1-20; 34:1-37:28	Isaiah 40-41
5	Jeremiah 10:17-25; 21:1-22:9; 34:1-22; 46:13-28	Ezekiel 20:1-21:17	2 Kings 25:22-26; Jeremiah 39:11-41:15	Ezekiel 38-39	Isaiah 42-43
6	Jeremiah 37	Ezekiel 22:1-22; 23:1-49	Jeremiah 41:16-44:30	Ezekiel 40-42	Isaiah 44-45
7	Jeremiah 30-33	Ezekiel 21:18-32; 24:1-27	2 Chr. 36:17-21 / Ezekiel 12 / Psalm 89	Ezekiel 43-48	Isaiah 46-48

	Week 36	Week 37	Week 38	Week 39	Week 40
1	Isaiah 49-51	Zechariah 7-8 / Ezra 5:2-6:22	Esther 8:15-10:3 / Ezra 4:6-23	Psalms 1, 91	Nehemiah 13:1-22 / Psalm 92 / Nehemiah 13:23-31
2	Isaiah 52-55	Daniel 6 / 1 Chronicles 1-2	Malachi 1-4	Psalms 119	Joel 1-3
3	2 Chronicles 36:22-23 / Proverbs 22:17-24:34	1 Chronicles 3-4	Ezra 7-10	Nehemiah 11:1-12:30	Isaiah 56-59
4	Proverbs 30-31	1 Chronicles 5-6	Nehemiah 1-2	Psalms 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 134 / Nehemiah 12:31-47	Isaiah 60-63
5	Ezra 1-2	1 Chronicles 7:1-9:34	Nehemiah 3-5	Psalms 104, 107, 111, 112, 113	Isaiah 64-66
6	Ezra 3:1-4:5; 4:24-5:1 / Haggai 1-2	Esther 1-2	Nehemiah 6-8	Psalms 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 135, 136	Zechariah 9-10
7	Zechariah 1-6	Esther 3:1-8:14	Nehemiah 9-10	Psalms 145, 146, 147, 148, 149, 150	Zechariah 11-14

	Week 41	Week 42	Week 43	Week 44	Week 45
1	Daniel 7-8	Mark 9-10	Matthew 5-7	Matthew 25-27	Luke 14-16
2	Daniel 9	Mark 11-12	Matthew 8-9	Matthew 28	Luke 17-19
3	Daniel 10-12	Mark 13-14	Matthew 10-12	Luke 1-2	Luke 20-21
4	Mark 1-2***	Mark 15	Matthew 13-15	Luke 3-4	Luke 22-23
5	Mark 3-4	Mark 16	Matthew 16-18	Luke 5-7	Luke 24
6	Mark 5-6	Matthew 1-2	Matthew 19-21	Luke 8-10	John 1-3
7	Mark 7-8	Matthew 3-4	Matthew 22-24	Luke 11-13	John 4-6

***This part of the reading plan is the one exception to the rule (the chronological plan we have been following). The texts listed in Weeks 41 through 47 are not in their chronological order. The reason is the actual chronological order of the gospels chops the reading up into very small segments, making it very hard to follow. For example, here is what one day of reading would look like if you read the gospels chronologically: Mark 1:21-28 / Luke 4:31-37 / Matthew 8:14-17 / Mark 1:29-34 / Luke 4:38-41 / Matthew 4:23-25 / Mark 1:35-39 / Luke 4:42-5:11 / Matthew 8:1-4 / Mark 1:40-45 / Luke 5:12-16. Therefore, in our reading plan we decided to have you read one gospel at a time from start to finish in the order they were written (e.g., Scholars believe Mark was written first, then Matthew, then Luke, and then John). After you read the four gospels you will go back to the chronological reading plan in the middle of week 47.

	Week 46	Week 47	Week 48	Week 49	Week 50
1	John 7-9	Acts 3-5	James 1-5	1 Cor. 11-15	Romans 12-16
2	John 10-11	Acts 6:1-8:3	Acts 15:36-18:11	1 Cor. 16 / Acts 19:23-20:1 / 2 Cor. 1:1-2:11	Acts 20:3b-24:27
3	John 12-13	Acts 8:4-9:43	1 Thessalonians 1-5	2 Cor. 2:12-7:16	Philippians 1-4
4	John 14-16	Acts 10-12	2 Thess. 1-3 / Acts 18:12-19:22	2 Cor. 8-13 / Acts 20:2-3a	Acts 25-26
5	John 17-19	Acts 13-14	1 Corinthians 1-4	Romans 1-4	Acts 27-28 / Philemon
6	John 20-21	Acts 15:1-35 / Galatians 1	1 Corinthians 5-6	Romans 5-8	Colossians 1-4
7	Acts 1-2	Galatians 2-6	1 Corinthians 7-10	Romans 9-11	Ephesians 1-6

	Week 51	Week 52	Day 365		
1	1 Timothy 1-6	Hebrews 10-13	Revelation 20-22		
2	Titus 1-3	1 John 1-5 / 2 John / 3 John			
3	2 Timothy 1-4	Revelation 1-5			
4	1 Peter 1-5	Revelation 6-9			
5	Jude / 2 Peter 1-3	Revelation 10-11			
6	Hebrews 1-4	Revelation 12-16			
7	Hebrews 5-9	Revelation 17-19			