

BIBLE
READING GUIDE





JESUS WANTS A RELATIONSHIP WITH YOU!

It's why he came and lived and died and rose again. One of the best ways to get to know him is to spend time with him by reading and reflecting on the Bible.

THIS GUIDE SHOULD

- Show you where to read
- Help you understand what you're reading
- Connect you with others for encouragement

Reading God's word will teach you how to recognize God's voice, help you make wise decisions, and give him the opportunity to speak directly into your life.

THE PLAN

READ

This year we're all on one plan—to get to know Jesus by spending time in the Bible—and we have two tracks: one yellow, one blue.



Yellow will take you through the New Testament. If it's your first time reading the Bible, this is a great place to start!



Blue will take you through the New Testament and the Old Testament.

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Both tracks are listed each day (■ for **Yellow**, ■ for **Blue**). Pick whichever suits your goals and read with someone—it's better together! You'll grow your understanding of the Bible and your love for Jesus.

Find an easy-to-read translation!

We recommend the New International Version (NIV) or New Living Translation (NLT)—they're easy to understand and apply.

READ TOGETHER

In groups

Talk about what you're learning with family, friends, or your group. Typically, we don't hold a formal group session in the summer, so connect with people you've grouped with in the past, or would like to group with in the future!

In YouVersion

Read with us in this great Bible app! Go to lifecenter.net/bibleplan to access this plan in YouVersion.

WATCH

We've included videos from the Bible Project which will give you insight and help you understand the big picture. The ▶ icon shows which days have a relevant video and you can watch them by scanning the QR code at the start of each week (just use your phone's camera), or by visiting lifecenter.net/bibleplan.



Scan for videos



JOURNAL

As you read, we encourage you to journal! There's no right (or wrong!) way to journal, but here's the format we use:

SCRIPTURE: Record the verse or reference

OBSERVATION: What is this passage communicating

APPPLICATION: How can you apply this to your life

PRAYER: Ask for God's help to change

Trust the process! Pick a verse and just start writing. It doesn't need to be eloquent or complete.

THURSDAY—JULY 23

■ Matthew 11 ▶

■ Matthew 11 + 1 Samuel 28-29, Psalm 109

S: Matthew 11:25 - At that time Jesus said, "I praise you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and learned, and revealed them to little children."

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O: According to Jesus, it's not the wise of the world who receive the kingdom, it's the humble; the childlike.

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A: Am I like a kid - humble in heart, curious in mind, and active in simple faith? Be that today!

P: Thanks God for loving me. Help me to trust you like my kids trust me: completely!

LISTEN

From Jesus-focused jams to a few good vibes—sometimes you just need something good to set your mind to! Whether you're at your computer, doing the dishes, reading your Bible or riding in the car, we have a playlist to enjoy!



Get them
on Spotify



3 Month Reading Overview

JUL

- 1 Jude ▶
- 2 Philemon ▶
- 3 Hebrews 1 ▶
- 4 Hebrews 2
- 5 Hebrews 3
- 6 Hebrews 4
- 7 Hebrews 5
- 8 Hebrews 6
- 9 Hebrews 7
- 10 Hebrews 8
- 11 Hebrews 9
- 12 Hebrews 10
- 13 Hebrews 11
- 14 Hebrews 12
- 15 Hebrews 13
- 16 James 1 ▶
- 17 James 2
- 18 James 3
- 19 James 4
- 20 James 5
- 21 1 Peter 1 ▶
- 22 1 Peter 2
- 23 1 Peter 3
- 24 1 Peter 4
- 25 1 Peter 5
- 26 2 Peter 1 ▶
- 27 2 Peter 2
- 28 2 Peter 3
- 29 John 1 ▶
- 30 John 2
- 31 John 3

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- 1 John 4
- 2 John 5
- 3 John 6
- 4 John 7
- 5 John 8
- 6 John 9
- 7 John 10
- 8 John 11
- 9 John 12
- 10 John 13 ▶
- 11 John 14
- 12 John 15
- 13 John 16
- 14 John 17
- 15 John 18

- 16 John 19
- 17 John 20
- 18 John 21
- 19 1 John 1 ▶
- 20 1 John 2
- 21 1 John 3
- 22 1 John 4
- 23 1 John 5
- 24 2 John
- 25 3 John
- 26 Revelation 1 ▶
- 27 Revelation 2
- 28 Revelation 3
- 29 Revelation 4
- 30 Revelation 5
- 31 Revelation 6

SEP

- 1 Revelation 7
- 2 Revelation 8
- 3 Revelation 9
- 4 Revelation 10
- 5 Revelation 11
- 6 Revelation 12 ▶
- 7 Revelation 13
- 8 Revelation 14
- 9 Revelation 15
- 10 Revelation 16
- 11 Revelation 17
- 12 Revelation 18
- 13 Revelation 19
- 14 Revelation 20
- 15 Revelation 21
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- 17 Luke 1 ▶
- 18 Luke 2
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- 21 Luke 5
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- 26 Luke 10
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- 30 Luke 14

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YELLOW

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SEASON 3 READING LIST

STARTING

JULY 1 — JUDE

A letter encouraging Christians to contend for the faith even though ungodly persons have crept in unnoticed.

JULY 2 — PHILEMON

Paul strongly recommends that Philemon accept his runaway slave as a brother, not a slave.

JULY 3 — HEBREWS

A letter encouraging Christians to cling to Christ despite persecution, because he is greater.

JULY 16 — JAMES

A letter telling Christians to live in ways that demonstrate their faith in action.

JULY 21 — 1 PETER

Peter writes to Christians who are being persecuted, encouraging them to testify to the truth and live accordingly.

JULY 26 — 2 PETER

Peter writes a letter reminding Christians about the truth of Jesus and warning them that false teachers will come.



BLUE

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SEASON 3 READING LIST

2 CHRONICLES & 2 KINGS

Continued from Season 2

STARTING

JUNE 30 — ISAIAH

God sends the prophet Isaiah to warn Israel of future judgment—but also to tell them about a coming king and servant who will “bear the sins of many.”

JULY 3 — HOSEA

Hosea is told to marry a prostitute who leaves him and he must bring her back: a picture of God’s relationship with Israel.

JULY 8 — MICAH

Micah confronts the leaders of Israel and Judah regarding their injustice and prophesies that one day the Lord himself will rule in perfect justice.

AUGUST 2 — NAHUM

Nahum foretells of God’s judgment on Nineveh, the capital of Assyria.

AUGUST 5 — HABAKKUK

Habakkuk pleads with God to stop the injustice and violence in Judah but is surprised to find that God will use the even more violent Babylonians to do so.

AUGUST 6 — ZEPHANIAH

God warns that he will judge Israel and the surrounding nations but also that he will restore them in peace and justice.



AUGUST 7 — JEREMIAH

God sends a prophet to warn Israel about the coming Babylonian captivity but the people don't take the news very well.

AUGUST 27 — EZEKIEL

God chooses a man to speak for him to Israel, to tell them the error of their ways and teach them justice.

SEPT 8 — LAMENTATIONS

A collection of dirges lamenting the fall of Jerusalem after the Babylonian attacks.

OBADIAH

Obadiah warns the neighboring nation of Edom that they will be judged for plundering Jerusalem.

SEPT 10 — DANIEL

Daniel becomes a high-ranking wise man in the Babylonian and Persian empires and has prophetic visions concerning Israel's future.

SEPT 23 — EZRA

The Israelites rebuild the temple in Jerusalem, and a scribe named Ezra teaches the people to once again obey God's laws.

SEPT 26 — HAGGAI

The people have abandoned the work of restoring God's temple in Jerusalem and so Haggai takes them to task.

SEPT 27 — ZECHARIAH

The prophet Zechariah calls Israel to return to God and records prophetic visions that show what's happening behind the scenes.

JULY 29 — JOHN

John lists stories of signs and miracles with the hope that readers will believe in Jesus.

AUGUST 19 — 1 JOHN

John writes a letter to Christians about keeping Jesus' commands, loving one another, and other important things they should know.

AUGUST 24 — 2 JOHN

A very brief letter about walking in truth, love, and obedience.

AUGUST 25 — 3 JOHN

An even shorter letter about Christian fellowship.

AUGUST 26 — REVELATION

John sees visions of things that have been, things that are, and things that are yet to come.

SEPT 17 — LUKE

Luke writes the most thorough account of Jesus' life, pulling together eyewitness testimonies to tell the full story of Jesus. Pay special attention to how Luke portrays Jesus ministering to the outsider.

PRAY

LOVE LIST: Prayers for friends and family who need Jesus.

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Who else needs your intentional prayers?

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