To gain a better understanding of the Bible's grand story, it's helpful to read through entire chapters and books of Scripture like you would any other work of literature. Included below is a plan to help you get started. It only takes about fifteen minutes a day or two hours a week of reading to follow this plan. Don't limit yourself to only one block a day – read ahead if you want. And if you get behind, don't give up! Just start again where you last stopped. Blocks of reading are provided according to book and chapter. To locate a book, use the Table of Contents at the beginning of your Bible.



Reading the Bible in One Year

Many people benefit from reading through the entire Bible in a year. If you follow this plan, you'll accomplish this goal! These readings are also delineated by week rather than day. The plan begins with the Old Testament and moves into the New Testament, but does not follow the exact order of the books in your Bible (which is not always chronological anyway). For example, the books of poetry and wisdom literature (Job, Psalms, Proverbs, Ecclesiastes and Song of Songs) are interspersed into the first half of the Old Testament readings to provide some variety. Also, in the New Testament, books have been grouped according to common theme (like Matthew, Hebrews and James, which reflect a Jewish audience) or common author (such as books and letters written by the apostle John). Reading the entire Bible in a year seems like a daunting task. Don't be intimidated! Stay focused, be patient and begin to find your place in the story.

Week 1: Genesis 1-25 Week 2: Genesis 26-50

Week 3: Job 1-24

Week 4: Job 25-42, Exodus 1-10

Week 5: Exodus 11-34

Week 6: Exodus 35-40, Leviticus 1-15 Week 7: Leviticus 16-27, Numbers 1-4

Week 8: Numbers 5-21

Week 9: Numbers 22-36, Psalms 1-17

Week 10: Psalms 18-55 Week 11: Psalms 56-94 Week 12: Psalms 95-150 Week 13: Deuteronomy 1-19

Week 14: Deuteronomy 20-34, Proverbs 1-7

Week 15: Proverbs 8-31

Week 16: Ecclesiastes, Joshua 1-10 Week 17: Joshua 11-24, Judges 1-10

Week 18: Judges 6-21, Ruth

Week 19: Song of Songs, 1 Samuel 1-16 Week 20: 1 Samuel 17-31, 2 Samuel 1-7

Week 21: 2 Samuel 8-24 Week 22: 1 Kings 1-18

Week 23: 1 Kings 19-22, 2 Kings 1-16 Week 24: 2 Kings 17-25, Isaiah 1-11

Week 25: Isaiah 12-37 Week 26: Isaiah 38-59

Week 27: Isaiah 60-66, Jeremiah 1-14

Week 28: Jeremiah 15-36 Week 29: Jeremiah 37-52

Week 30: Lamentations, 1 Chronicles 1-12 Week 31: 1 Chronicles 13-29, 2 Chronicles 1-7

Week 32: 2 Chronicles 8-38 Week 33: Ezekiel 1-20 Week 34: Ezekiel 21-38

Week 35: Ezekiel 39-48, Daniel Week 36: Hosea, Joel, Amos Week 37: Ezra, Nehemiah

Week 38: Esther, Obadiah, Jonah, Micah

Week 39: Nahum, Habakkuk, Zephaniah, Haggai, Zechariah, Malachi

Week 40: Matthew 1-17

Week 41: Matthew 18-28, Hebrews 1-8 Week 42: Hebrews 9-13, James, Mark 1-9 Week 43: Mark 10-16, 1 Peter, 2 Peter, Jude

Week 44: Luke 1-15

Week 45: Luke 16-24, Acts 1-7

Week 46: Acts 8-21

Week 47: Acts 22-28, Romans

Week 48: 1 Corinthians, 2 Corinthians

Week 49: Galatians, Ephesians, Philippians, Colossians,

1 and 2 Thessalonians

Week 50: 1 and 2 Timothy, Titus, Philemon, John 1-10

Week 51: John 11-21, 1, 2 & 3 John

Week 52: Revelation

