



**FAMILY WORSHIP**  
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# Bible Reading Plan

January

*Welcome to a life changing experience!*

*This little guide is an aid to help you read, learn and embrace the principles of God's Word into your daily lifestyle. There are four different sections of scripture to read each day; two from the Old Testament and two from the New Testament. By following this plan you will read through the New Testament and Psalms and Proverbs in a year. You can choose to read all of them in one sitting or to read them at different times during your day. It's better to read less and really have time to absorb what God is saying than to read more and have less time to really listen to what God is saying.*

*Then there is a place for you to record your insights and respond to God's word. These "lightbulb" moments when God reveals to you what the Bible is really saying are what transform our minds and our lives. This is what we are really aiming for every day! After each scripture you read, or prayer you say in preparation for reading, stop and meditate on it for a little while asking God to show you what this really means for you. He will speak to you if you really listen.*

*Writing these insights down is important as it helps us to remember what God is calling us to.*

*Each month there is only 25 days of scriptures. This is to enable you to catch up if you happen to miss a day or two.*

*The Bible is guaranteed to change your life if you take it seriously, millions of people can testify to that. Welcome to the adventure!*

## **Each day before reading the Bible**

*In order for your heart to be good "soil" for God's Word to grow in, it is important to prepare it well. Following are some scriptures and prayers to help you prepare your heart to receive the Word of God. Read each of the scriptures and then pray the prayers, before each time you read the Bible.*

### **Prayer**

You lovingly tell me in Colossians 4:2 Be faithful to pray as intercessors who are fully alert and giving thanks to God.

- (Spend a few minutes praising God and thanking Him for specific blessings in your life)

You lovingly tell me in 1 John 4:7-12 Those who are loved by God, let his love continually pour from you to one another, because God is love. Everyone who loves is fathered by God and experiences an intimate knowledge of him. The one who doesn't love has yet to know God, for God is love. The light of God's love shined within us when he sent his matchless Son into the world so that we might live through him. This is love: He loved us long before we loved him. It was his love, not ours. He proved it by sending his Son to be the pleasing sacrificial offering to take away our sins.

Delightfully loved ones, if he loved us with such tremendous love, then "loving one another" should be our way of life! No one has ever gazed upon the fullness of God's splendor. But if we love one another, God makes his permanent home in us, and we make our permanent home in him, and his love is brought to its full expression in us.

- *Dear God, please let Your love be brought to it's full expression in me.*
  - (stop and meditate on this)

You lovingly tell me in John 15:4-5 So you must remain in life-union with me, for I remain in life-union with you. For as a branch severed from the vine will not bear fruit, so your life will be fruitless unless you live your life intimately joined to mine.

"I am the sprouting vine and you're my branches. As you live in union with me as your source, fruitfulness will stream from within you—but when you live separated from me you are powerless.

- *Heavenly Daddy, please help me to really connect with Your love today and patiently let You teach me how to love others generously. Please help me to soften my heart today, so it is good soil for love to grow in, and help me to think like You and more fully fathom your love today so Your Spirit will bear good fruit in me.*
  - (stop and meditate on this)

You lovingly tell me in 1 John 1:8-10 If we boast that we have no sin, we're only fooling ourselves and are strangers to the truth. But if we freely admit our sins when his light uncovers them, he will be faithful to forgive us every time. God is just to forgive us our sins because of Christ, and he will continue to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

If we claim that we're not guilty of sin when God uncovers it with his light, we make him a liar and his word is not in us.

- *Dear Jesus, I open my heart to You. I want to grow out of my weaknesses. Help me to not obsess about them, that is self-centred and only causes counterproductive condemnation. Help me to not be in denial about them either. You are welcome to expose and heal anything You want in me any time You want. Thank You for cleansing me with Your blood.*
  - (stop and meditate on this)

You lovingly tell me in Matthew 5:44-45 However, I say to you, love your enemy, bless the one who curses you, do something wonderful for the one who hates you, and respond to the very ones who persecute you by praying for them. For that will reveal your identity as children of your heavenly Father. He is kind to all by bringing the sunrise to warm and rainfall to refresh whether a person does what is good or evil.

- *I don't want anything hindering me from being close to You Father, and I want to love others like You do, so I am choosing to forgive \_\_\_\_\_ who hurt me and leave the injustice of that in Your hands. Please help me move forward with loving wisdom as I relate to \_\_\_\_\_ in the future. (Matt 6:14-15) Please bless them with grace, love, peace and wisdom today.*
  - (stop and meditate on this)

## January 1

- Proverbs 1:1-11
  - (stop and meditate on this)
- Psalms 1
  - (stop and meditate on this)
- Matthew 1:1-17
  - (stop and meditate on this)
- Acts 1:1-11
  - (stop and meditate on this)

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## January 2

- Proverbs 1:12-22
  - (stop and meditate on this)
- Psalms 2
  - (stop and meditate on this)
- Matthew 1:18-25
  - (stop and meditate on this)
- Acts 1:12-26
  - (stop and meditate on this)

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## January 3

- Proverbs 1:23-33
  - (stop and meditate on this)
- Psalms 3
  - (stop and meditate on this)
- Matthew 2:1-12
  - (stop and meditate on this)
- Acts 2:1-21
  - (stop and meditate on this)

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## January 4

- Proverbs 2:1-7
  - (stop and meditate on this)
- Psalms 4
  - (stop and meditate on this)
- Matthew 2:13-23
  - (stop and meditate on this)
- Acts 2:22-47
  - (stop and meditate on this)

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## January 5

- Proverbs 2:8-14
  - (stop and meditate on this)
- Psalms 5
  - (stop and meditate on this)
- Matthew 3:1-12
  - (stop and meditate on this)
- Acts 3
  - (stop and meditate on this)

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## January 6

- Proverbs 2:15-22
  - (stop and meditate on this)
- Psalms 6
  - (stop and meditate on this)
- Matthew 3:13-17
  - (stop and meditate on this)
- Acts 4:1-22
  - (stop and meditate on this)

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## January 7

- Proverbs 3:1-10
  - (stop and meditate on this)
- Psalms 7
  - (stop and meditate on this)
- Matthew 4:1-12
  - (stop and meditate on this)
- Acts 4:23-37
  - (stop and meditate on this)

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## January 8

- Proverbs 3:11-24
  - (stop and meditate on this)
- Psalms 8
  - (stop and meditate on this)
- Matthew 4:13-25
  - (stop and meditate on this)
- Acts 5:1-16
  - (stop and meditate on this)

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## January 9

- Proverbs 3:25-35
  - (stop and meditate on this)
- Psalms 9:1-10
  - (stop and meditate on this)
- Matthew 5:1-12
  - (stop and meditate on this)
- Acts 5:17-42
  - (stop and meditate on this)

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## January 10

- Proverbs 4:1-9
  - (stop and meditate on this)
- Psalms 9:11-20
  - (stop and meditate on this)
- Matthew 5:13-20
  - (stop and meditate on this)
- Acts 6
  - (stop and meditate on this)

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## January 11

- Proverbs 4:10-18
  - (stop and meditate on this)
- Psalms 10
  - (stop and meditate on this)
- Matthew 5:21-48
  - (stop and meditate on this)
- Acts 7:1-38
  - (stop and meditate on this)

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## January 12

- Proverbs 4:19-27
  - (stop and meditate on this)
- Psalms 11
  - (stop and meditate on this)
- Matthew 6:1-15
  - (stop and meditate on this)
- Acts 7:39-60
  - (stop and meditate on this)

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## January 13

- Proverbs 5:1-6
  - (stop and meditate on this)
- Psalms 12
  - (stop and meditate on this)
- Matthew 6:16-24
  - (stop and meditate on this)
- Acts 8:1-25
  - (stop and meditate on this)

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## January 14

- Proverbs 5:7-14
  - (stop and meditate on this)
- Psalms 13
  - (stop and meditate on this)
- Matthew 6:25-34
  - (stop and meditate on this)
- Acts 8:26-40
  - (stop and meditate on this)

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## January 15

- Proverbs 5:15-23
  - (stop and meditate on this)
- Psalms 14
  - (stop and meditate on this)
- Matthew 7:1-14
  - (stop and meditate on this)
- Acts 9:1-19
  - (stop and meditate on this)

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## January 16

- Proverbs 6:1-11
  - (stop and meditate on this)
- Psalms 15
  - (stop and meditate on this)
- Matthew 7:15-29
  - (stop and meditate on this)
- Acts 9:20-43
  - (stop and meditate on this)

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## January 17

- Proverbs 6:12-26
  - (stop and meditate on this)
- Psalms 16
  - (stop and meditate on this)
- Matthew 8:1-13
  - (stop and meditate on this)
- Acts 10:1-23
  - (stop and meditate on this)

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## January 18

- Proverbs 6:27-35
  - (stop and meditate on this)
- Psalms 17
  - (stop and meditate on this)
- Matthew 8:14-22
  - (stop and meditate on this)
- Acts 10:24-48
  - (stop and meditate on this)

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## January 19

- Proverbs 7:1-5
  - (stop and meditate on this)
- Psalms 18:1-12
  - (stop and meditate on this)
- Matthew 8:23-34
  - (stop and meditate on this)
- Acts 11:1-18
  - (stop and meditate on this)

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## January 20

- Proverbs 7:6-20
  - (stop and meditate on this)
- Psalms 18:13-24
  - (stop and meditate on this)
- Matthew 9:1-9
  - (stop and meditate on this)
- Acts 11:19-30
  - (stop and meditate on this)

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## January 21

- Proverbs 7:21-27
  - (stop and meditate on this)
- Psalms 18:25-36
  - (stop and meditate on this)
- Matthew 9:10-18
  - (stop and meditate on this)
- Acts 12
  - (stop and meditate on this)

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## January 22

- Proverbs 8:1-13
  - (stop and meditate on this)
- Psalms 18:37-50
  - (stop and meditate on this)
- Matthew 9:19-26
  - (stop and meditate on this)
- Acts 13:1-25
  - (stop and meditate on this)

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## January 23

- Proverbs 8:14-22
  - (stop and meditate on this)
- Psalms 19
  - (stop and meditate on this)
- Matthew 9:27-38
  - (stop and meditate on this)
- Acts 13:26-52
  - (stop and meditate on this)

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## January 24

- Proverbs 8:23-36
  - (stop and meditate on this)
- Psalms 20
  - (stop and meditate on this)
- Matthew 10:1-19
  - (stop and meditate on this)
- Acts 14
  - (stop and meditate on this)

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## January 25

- Proverbs 9:1-6
  - (stop and meditate on this)
- Psalms 21
  - (stop and meditate on this)
- Matthew 10:20-31
  - (stop and meditate on this)
- Acts 15:1-21
  - (stop and meditate on this)

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If you are all caught up and still have days left in the month before the 1<sup>st</sup> of the next month, read something from Psalms and Proverbs every day and something from Galatians. Also take the opportunity to review your notes from the month and look for themes, key insights and specific instructions you may have let slide. Even writing a summary of the month can be very helpful.