



Reading



God's



Word



Together



2022



This could change your life!

If you want to learn more about God, become more like Jesus, and hear His Holy Spirit speak to you more often, the best thing you can do is read the Bible. This is a guide to help you do this on a daily basis in 2022.

When we read God's word, God the Father speaks to us, God the Son prays for us, and God the Holy Spirit works in us to help us understand what He has written. Sometimes we will experience this like a shot of adrenaline, filling us with sudden life; other times it will be more like taking a daily vitamin tablet, which does us good over the years without feeling so immediately dramatic.

However God chooses to speak this year, let's be listening to Him!

Get set

We've created a plan for reading the Bible that takes you through the whole of the New Testament and Psalms in a year, and the Old Testament over three years. We hope this pace will be manageable for you but you could just focus on the New Testament.

We're using a slightly different order of books to what is usually published in our Bibles. For the Old Testament we've arranged things chronologically:

- This year (2022) starts with creation, humanity's fall into sin, God choosing a family to be His miraculous people of hope for the world, and that family becoming a kingdom.
- Year two will be about what happened to that kingdom: its successes under Kings David and Solomon followed by its sin, division and eventual exile from the land as punishment. We will also read the wisdom literature God's people produced, and the prophets who spoke during this time.
- In year three, the story of the kingdom is reiterated and we find out what happened during the exile and how God brought His people back into the promised land. Along with these narratives, there are prophetic books from this era too.

For the New Testament, the gospels are spread throughout the year, followed by letters arranged in thematic groups (this idea comes from *The Books of the Bible*, published by Hodder & Stoughton):

- Luke's writings and Paul's letters in (probably) chronological order.
- Matthew's gospel and letters to Jewish believers.
- Mark's gospel and letters to Roman believers.
- John's gospel and his other writings.

The best way to ensure that you read the Bible is to make it a habit, and good habits happen by making a plan. Think about when in the day you could stop everything else and spend ten minutes – or more – with God and His word, and

try to keep this as an appointment. You might need help from people you live with to make this happen; you may have to come up with a different kind of rhythm, if work patterns or other non-negotiable life factors mean you can't select a fixed time.

We strongly encourage you to get a printed copy of the Bible so that you can read it without the distraction of using your phone! At King's, we usually read from the English Standard Version or New International Version, both of which are available in a variety of editions including:

- Study Bibles which have resources to help you understand what you're reading.
- Journaling Bibles with space for you to write and draw alongside the text.
- Reader's Bibles which feel more like most other books you read, i.e. the text is in a single column and there are no verse and chapter numbers, or headings.

To help you if you miss a few days and lose track, or you're joining the plan midway through the year, we've highlighted the dates on which a new book starts so that you can use those as moments to join in or jump back in.

Get started

When the time comes to read God's Word, turn away from all other distractions, put your phone on silent and out of sight.

Then, focus on God. Pray that He would open your eyes to see wonderful things in His word (Psalm 119:18), and give you ears to hear what He is saying (Matthew 11:15).

Now, read carefully – just the text to start with, rather than any study tools printed in your Bible. If you have time, read through for a second time, then look at the study tools.

Follow this with thinking and praying. Ask questions to help with this:

- What does this tell me about God: His nature, His character, what He has done and is doing?
- What does this mean for me: do I need to praise, repent, give thanks, tell others, pray, make a change in my life?

Writing or drawing may help you stay engaged in conversation with God. If a certain truth about Him, or a word or phrase or idea or person has grabbed your attention, stay on that. Explore what you're thinking, savour what God is saying or showing you, speak with Him about it. The point isn't to have understood and learnt everything possible but to have heard or seen something, and to have responded to God.

Get help

Reading the Bible can be challenging. As well as our natural weaknesses, some things are too deep for us to truly comprehend (Psalm 139:6), some are difficult to understand (2 Peter 3:16), and many trouble us because our thoughts are not aligned with God's (Isaiah 55:8). Please don't give up: all of us experience this and it can be at these times that we learn most effectively.

Here are some things you can do when this happens:

- Ask the Holy Spirit to help you.
- Speak to a Christian friend or church leader.
- Use the tools provided in a study Bible.
- Explore the videos, articles and podcasts we've gathered together to introduce you to each book of the Bible at www.tinyurl.com/rgwt2022

The more you read the Bible, the more you will learn about God, and the more you will see His big story and learn the plotlines and themes in it. This will help you to understand what's happening in the daily passages you're reading. It can only happen over time, so keep persevering.

Get connected

Reading Scripture by yourself is an excellent thing to do, but it's even better to encourage one another and learn from each other as we read through the same plan together.

Small group meetings and messaging groups can be great places to do this, and you could arrange something similar with other friends. You can use these contexts to ask for help, to get clarity on what you think God has said or shown you, and to help others as they listen to God too. We all need each other and a group reading God's word together can experience this powerfully.

These are the kind of questions that can start good discussions:

- What have you learned about God: His nature, His character, what He has done and is doing?
- What has the reading meant for you: have you needed to praise, repent, give thanks, tell others, pray, make a change in your life?
- Has an idea, person, event, phrase stuck with you? What do you think God might be saying to you through that?
- What have you found most wonderful?
- What have you found most difficult?
- Which resources have you found helpful for introducing a book or explaining parts you've found difficult to understand?
- Are there any practical things you can do keep developing the habit of reading?

You can get reminders, reflections, and inspiration from our Reading God's Word Together social media accounts. Links to these and lots more helpful resources can be found at www.tinyurl.com/startRGWT

January

	OT	NT
Sat 1st	Ps. 1 *	
Sun 2nd	Ps. 2	
Mon 3rd	Ps. 3	Luke 1 *
Tue 4th	Ps. 4	Luke 2
Wed 5th	Ps. 5	Luke 3
Thu 6th	Ps. 6	Luke 4
Fri 7th	Ps. 7	Luke 5
Sat 8th	Ps. 8	
Sun 9th	Ps. 9	
Mon 10th	Gen. 1 *	Luke 6
Tue 11th	Gen. 2	Luke 7
Wed 12th	Gen. 3	Luke 8
Thu 13th	Gen. 4	Luke 9
Fri 14th	Gen. 5	Luke 10
Sat 15th	Ps. 10	
Sun 16th	Ps. 11	
Mon 17th	Gen. 6	Luke 11
Tue 18th	Gen. 7	Luke 12
Wed 19th	Gen. 8	Luke 13
Thu 20th	Gen. 9	Luke 14
Fri 21st	Gen. 10	Luke 15
Sat 22nd	Ps. 12	
Sun 23rd	Ps. 13	
Mon 24th	Gen. 11	Luke 16
Tue 25th	Gen. 12	Luke 17
Wed 26th	Gen. 13	Luke 18
Thu 27th	Gen. 14	Luke 19
Fri 28th	Gen. 15	Luke 20
Sat 29th	Ps. 14	
Sun 30th	Ps. 15	
Mon 31st	Gen. 16	Luke 21

February

	OT	NT
Tue 1st	Gen. 17	Luke 22
Wed 2nd	Gen. 18	Luke 23
Thu 3rd	Gen. 19	Luke 24
Fri 4th	Gen. 20	Acts 1 *
Sat 5th	Ps. 16	
Sun 6th	Ps. 17	
Mon 7th	Gen. 21	Acts 2
Tue 8th	Gen. 22	Acts 3
Wed 9th	Gen. 23	Acts 4
Thu 10th	Gen. 24	Acts 5
Fri 11th	Gen. 25	Acts 6
Sat 12th	Ps. 18	
Sun 13th	Ps. 19	
Mon 14th	Gen. 26	Acts 7
Tue 15th	Gen. 27	Acts 8
Wed 16th	Gen. 28	Acts 9
Thu 17th	Gen. 29	Acts 10
Fri 18th	Gen. 30	Acts 11
Sat 19th	Ps. 20	
Sun 20th	Ps. 21	
Mon 21st	Gen. 31	Acts 12
Tue 22nd	Gen. 32	Acts 13
Wed 23rd	Gen. 33	Acts 14
Thu 24th	Gen. 34	Acts 15
Fri 25th	Gen. 35	Acts 16
Sat 26th	Ps. 22	
Sun 27th	Ps. 23	
Mon 28th	Gen. 36	Acts 17

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March

	OT	NT
Tue 1st	Gen. 37	Acts 18
Wed 2nd	Gen. 38	Acts 19
Thu 3rd	Gen. 39	Acts 20
Fri 4th	Gen. 40	Acts 21
Sat 5th	Ps. 24	
Sun 6th	Ps. 25	
Mon 7th	Gen. 41	Acts 22
Tue 8th	Gen. 42	Acts 23
Wed 9th	Gen. 43	Acts 24
Thu 10th	Gen. 44	Acts 25
Fri 11th	Gen. 45	Acts 26
Sat 12th	Ps. 26	
Sun 13th	Ps. 27	
Mon 14th	Gen. 46	Acts 27
Tue 15th	Gen. 47	Acts 28
Wed 16th	Gen. 48	1 Thess. 1 *
Thu 17th	Gen. 49	1 Thess. 2
Fri 18th	Gen. 50	1 Thess. 3
Sat 19th	Ps. 28	
Sun 20th	Ps. 29	
Mon 21st	Ps. 30	1 Thess. 4
Tue 22nd	Ps. 31	1 Thess. 5
Wed 23rd	Ps. 32	2 Thess. 1 *
Thu 24th	Ps. 33	2 Thess. 2
Fri 25th	Ps. 34	2 Thess. 3
Sat 26th	Ps. 35	
Sun 27th	Ps. 36	
Mon 28th	Ps. 37	1 Cor. 1 *
Tue 29th	Ps. 38	1 Cor. 2
Wed 30th	Ps. 39	1 Cor. 3
Thu 31st	Ps. 40	1 Cor. 4

April

	OT	NT
Fri 1st	Ps. 41	1 Cor. 5
Sat 2nd	Ps. 42	
Sun 3rd	Ps. 43	
Mon 4th	Ex. 1 *	1 Cor. 6
Tue 5th	Ex. 2	1 Cor. 7
Wed 6th	Ex. 3	1 Cor. 8
Thu 7th	Ex. 4	1 Cor. 9
Fri 8th	Ex. 5	1 Cor. 10
Sat 9th	Ps. 44	
Sun 10th	Ps. 45	
Mon 11th	Ex. 6	1 Cor. 11
Tue 12th	Ex. 7	1 Cor. 12
Wed 13th	Ex. 8	1 Cor. 13
Thu 14th	Ex. 9	1 Cor. 14
Fri 15th	Ex. 10	1 Cor. 15
Sat 16th	Ps. 46	
Sun 17th	Ps. 47	
Mon 18th	Ex. 11	1 Cor. 16
Tue 19th	Ex. 12	2 Cor. 1 *
Wed 20th	Ex. 13	2 Cor. 2
Thu 21st	Ex. 14	2 Cor. 3
Fri 22nd	Ex. 15	2 Cor. 4
Sat 23rd	Ps. 48	
Sun 24th	Ps. 49	
Mon 25th	Ex. 16	2 Cor. 5
Tue 26th	Ex. 17	2 Cor. 6
Wed 27th	Ex. 18	2 Cor. 7
Thu 28th	Ex. 19	2 Cor. 8
Fri 29th	Ex. 20	2 Cor. 9
Sat 30th	Ps. 50	

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May

	OT	NT
Sun 1st	Ps. 51	
Mon 2nd	Ex. 21-22	2 Cor. 10
Tue 3rd	Ex. 23-24	2 Cor. 11
Wed 4th	Ex. 25-26	2 Cor. 12
Thu 5th	Ex. 27-28	2 Cor. 13
Fri 6th	Ex. 29-30	Gal. 1 *
Sat 7th	Ps. 52	
Sun 8th	Ps. 53	
Mon 9th	Ex. 31-32	Gal. 2
Tue 10th	Ex. 33-34	Gal. 3
Wed 11th	Ex. 35-36	Gal. 4
Thu 12th	Ex. 37-38	Gal. 5
Fri 13th	Ex. 39-40	Gal. 6
Sat 14th	Ps. 54	
Sun 15th	Ps. 55	
Mon 16th	Ps. 56	Rom. 1 *
Tue 17th	Ps. 57	Rom. 2
Wed 18th	Ps. 58	Rom. 3
Thu 19th	Ps. 59	Rom. 4
Fri 20th	Ps. 60	Rom. 5
Sat 21st	Ps. 61	
Sun 22nd	Ps. 62	
Mon 23rd	Lev. 1-2 *	Rom. 6
Tue 24th	Lev. 3-4	Rom. 7
Wed 25th	Lev. 5-6	Rom. 8
Thu 26th	Lev. 7-8	Rom. 9
Fri 27th	Lev. 9-10	Rom. 10
Sat 28th	Ps. 63	
Sun 29th	Ps. 64	
Mon 30th	Lev. 11-12	Rom. 11
Tue 31st	Lev. 13-14	Rom. 12

June

	OT	NT
Wed 1st	Lev. 15-16	Rom. 13
Thu 2nd	Lev. 17-18	Rom. 14
Fri 3rd	Lev. 19-20	Rom. 15
Sat 4th	Ps. 65	
Sun 5th	Ps. 66	
Mon 6th	Lev. 21-22	Rom. 16
Tue 7th	Lev. 23-24	Col. 1 *
Wed 8th	Lev. 25-26	Col. 2
Thu 9th	Lev. 27	Col. 3
Fri 10th	Ps. 67	Col. 4
Sat 11th	Ps. 68	
Sun 12th	Ps. 69	
Mon 13th	Ps. 70	Eph. 1 *
Tue 14th	Ps. 71	Eph. 2
Wed 15th	Ps. 72	Eph. 3
Thu 16th	Ps. 73	Eph. 4
Fri 17th	Ps. 74	Eph. 5
Sat 18th	Ps. 75	
Sun 19th	Ps. 76	
Mon 20th	Num. 1-2 *	Eph. 6
Tue 21st	Num. 3-4	Phi. *
Wed 22nd	Num. 5-6	Phil. 1 *
Thu 23rd	Num. 7-8	Phil. 2
Fri 24th	Num. 9-10	Phil. 3
Sat 25th	Ps. 77	
Sun 26th	Ps. 78	
Mon 27th	Num. 11-12	Phil. 4
Tue 28th	Num. 13-14	1 Tim. 1 *
Wed 29th	Num. 15-16	1 Tim. 2
Thu 30th	Num. 17-18	1 Tim. 3

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July

	OT	NT
Fri 1st	Num. 19-20	1 Tim. 4
Sat 2nd	Ps. 79	
Sun 3rd	Ps. 80	
Mon 4th	Num. 21-22	1 Tim. 5
Tue 5th	Num. 23-24	1 Tim. 6
Wed 6th	Num. 25-26	Titus 1 *
Thu 7th	Num. 27-28	Titus 2
Fri 8th	Num. 29-30	Titus 3
Sat 9th	Ps. 81	
Sun 10th	Ps. 82	
Mon 11th	Num. 31-32	2 Tim. 1 *
Tue 12th	Num. 33-34	2 Tim. 2
Wed 13th	Num. 35-36	2 Tim. 3
Thu 14th	Ps. 83	2 Tim. 4
Fri 15th	Ps. 84	Matt. 1 *
Sat 16th	Ps. 85	
Sun 17th	Ps. 86	
Mon 18th	Deut. 1 *	Matt. 2
Tue 19th	Deut. 2	Matt. 3
Wed 20th	Deut. 3	Matt. 4
Thu 21st	Deut. 4	Matt. 5
Fri 22nd	Deut. 5	Matt. 6
Sat 23rd	Ps. 87	
Sun 24th	Ps. 88	
Mon 25th	Deut. 6	Matt. 7
Tue 26th	Deut. 7	Matt. 8
Wed 27th	Deut. 8	Matt. 9
Thu 28th	Deut. 9	Matt. 10
Fri 29th	Deut. 10	Matt. 11
Sat 30th	Ps. 89	
Sun 31st	Ps. 90	

August

	OT	NT
Mon 1st	Deut. 11	Matt. 12
Tue 2nd	Deut. 12	Matt. 13
Wed 3rd	Deut. 13	Matt. 14
Thu 4th	Deut. 14	Matt. 15
Fri 5th	Deut. 15	Matt. 16
Sat 6th	Ps. 91	
Sun 7th	Ps. 92	
Mon 8th	Deut. 16	Matt. 17
Tue 9th	Deut. 17	Matt. 18
Wed 10th	Deut. 18	Matt. 19
Thu 11th	Deut. 19	Matt. 20
Fri 12th	Deut. 20	Matt. 21
Sat 13th	Ps. 93	
Sun 14th	Ps. 94	
Mon 15th	Deut. 21	Matt. 22
Tue 16th	Deut. 22	Matt. 23
Wed 17th	Deut. 23	Matt. 24
Thu 18th	Deut. 24	Matt. 25
Fri 19th	Deut. 25	Matt. 26
Sat 20th	Ps. 95	
Sun 21st	Ps. 96	
Mon 22nd	Deut. 26	Matt. 27
Tue 23rd	Deut. 27	Matt. 28
Wed 24th	Deut. 28	Heb. 1 *
Thu 25th	Deut. 29	Heb. 2
Fri 26th	Deut. 30	Heb. 3
Sat 27th	Ps. 97	
Sun 28th	Ps. 98	
Mon 29th	Deut. 31	Heb. 4
Tue 30th	Deut. 32	Heb. 5
Wed 31st	Deut. 33	Heb. 6

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September

	OT	NT
Thu 1st	Deut. 34	Heb. 7
Fri 2nd	Ps. 99	Heb. 8
Sat 3rd	Ps. 100	
Sun 4th	Ps. 101	
Mon 5th	Ps. 102	Heb. 9
Tue 6th	Ps. 103	Heb. 10
Wed 7th	Ps. 104	Heb. 11
Thu 8th	Ps. 105	Heb. 12
Fri 9th	Ps. 106	Heb. 13
Sat 10th	Ps. 107	
Sun 11th	Ps. 108	
Mon 12th	Josh. 1 *	Jam. 1 *
Tue 13th	Josh. 2	Jam. 2
Wed 14th	Josh. 3	Jam. 3
Thu 15th	Josh. 4	Jam. 4
Fri 16th	Josh. 5	Jam. 5
Sat 17th	Ps. 109	
Sun 18th	Ps. 110	
Mon 19th	Josh. 6	Mark 1 *
Tue 20th	Josh. 7	Mark 2
Wed 21st	Josh. 8	Mark 3
Thu 22nd	Josh. 9	Mark 4
Fri 23rd	Josh. 10	Mark 5
Sat 24th	Ps. 111	
Sun 25th	Ps. 112	
Mon 26th	Josh. 11	Mark 6
Tue 27th	Josh. 12-13	Mark 7
Wed 28th	Josh. 14-15	Mark 8
Thu 29th	Josh. 16-17	Mark 9
Fri 30th	Josh. 18-19	Mark 10

October

	OT	NT
Sat 1st	Ps. 113	
Sun 2nd	Ps. 114	
Mon 3rd	Josh. 20-21	Mark 11
Tue 4th	Josh. 22-23	Mark 12
Wed 5th	Josh. 24	Mark 13
Thu 6th	Ps. 115	Mark 14
Fri 7th	Ps. 116	Mark 15
Sat 8th	Ps. 117	
Sun 9th	Ps. 118	
Mon 10th	Ps. 119:1-32	Mark 16
Tue 11th	119:33-72	1 Pet. 1 *
Wed 12th	119:73-104	1 Pet. 2
Thu 13th	119:105-144	1 Pet. 3
Fri 14th	119:145-176	1 Pet. 4
Sat 15th	Ps. 120	
Sun 16th	Ps. 121	
Mon 17th	Judg. 1 *	1 Pet. 5
Tue 18th	Judg. 2-3	2 Pet. 1 *
Wed 19th	Judg. 4-5	2 Pet. 2
Thu 20th	Judg. 6-7	2 Pet. 3
Fri 21st	Judg. 8-9	Jude *
Sat 22nd	Ps. 122	
Sun 23rd	Ps. 123	
Mon 24th	Judg. 10-11	John 1 *
Tue 25th	Judg. 12-13	John 2
Wed 26th	Judg. 14-15	John 3
Thu 27th	Judg. 16-17	John 4
Fri 28th	Judg. 18-19	John 5
Sat 29th	Ps. 124	
Sun 30th	Ps. 125	
Mon 31st	Judg. 20-21	John 6

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November

	OT	NT
Tue 1st	Ruth 1 *	John 7
Wed 2nd	Ruth 2	John 8
Thu 3rd	Ruth 3	John 9
Fri 4th	Ruth 4	John 10
Sat 5th	Ps. 126	
Sun 6th	Ps. 127	
Mon 7th	1 Sam. 1 *	John 11
Tue 8th	1 Sam. 2	John 12
Wed 9th	1 Sam. 3	John 13
Thu 10th	1 Sam. 4	John 14
Fri 11th	1 Sam. 5	John 15
Sat 12th	Ps. 128	
Sun 13th	Ps. 129	
Mon 14th	1 Sam. 6	John 16
Tue 15th	1 Sam. 7	John 17
Wed 16th	1 Sam. 8	John 18
Thu 17th	1 Sam. 9	John 19
Fri 18th	1 Sam. 10	John 20
Sat 19th	Ps. 130	
Sun 20th	Ps. 131	
Mon 21st	1 Sam. 11	John 21
Tue 22nd	1 Sam. 12	1 John 1 *
Wed 23rd	1 Sam. 13	1 John 2
Thu 24th	1 Sam. 14	1 John 3
Fri 25th	1 Sam. 15	1 John 4
Sat 26th	Ps. 132	
Sun 27th	Ps. 133	
Mon 28th	1 Sam. 16	1 John 5
Tue 29th	1 Sam. 17	2 John *
Wed 30th	1 Sam. 18	3 John *

December

	OT	NT
Thu 1st	1 Sam. 19	Rev. 1 *
Fri 2nd	1 Sam. 20	Rev. 2
Sat 3rd	Ps. 134	
Sun 4th	Ps. 135	
Mon 5th	1 Sam. 21	Rev. 3
Tue 6th	1 Sam. 22	Rev. 4
Wed 7th	1 Sam. 23	Rev. 5
Thu 8th	1 Sam. 24	Rev. 6
Fri 9th	1 Sam. 25	Rev. 7
Sat 10th	Ps. 136	
Sun 11th	Ps. 137	
Mon 12th	1 Sam. 26	Rev. 8
Tue 13th	1 Sam. 27	Rev. 9
Wed 14th	1 Sam. 28	Rev. 10
Thu 15th	1 Sam. 29	Rev. 11
Fri 16th	1 Sam. 30	Rev. 12
Sat 17th	Ps. 138	
Sun 18th	Ps. 139	
Mon 19th	1 Sam. 31	Rev. 13
Tue 20th	Ps. 140	Rev. 14
Wed 21st	Ps. 141	Rev. 15
Thu 22nd	Ps. 142	Rev. 16
Fri 23rd	Ps. 143	Rev. 17
Sat 24th	Ps. 144	
Sun 25th	Ps. 145	
Mon 26th	Ps. 146	Rev. 18
Tue 27th	Ps. 147	Rev. 19
Wed 28th	Ps. 148	Rev. 20
Thu 29th	Ps. 149	Rev. 21
Fri 30th	Ps. 150	Rev. 22
Sat 31st		

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Blessed is the one

who does not walk in step with the wicked
or stand in the way that sinners take
or sit in the company of mockers,
but whose delight is in the law of the Lord,
and who meditates on his law day and night.

Psalm 1:1-2

