

Robert Murray M'Cheyne's

**BIBLE
READING
CALENDAR**

DAILY BREAD

BEING A CALENDAR FOR READING THROUGH THE WORD OF GOD IN A YEAR

“Thy word is very pure: therefore thy servant loveth it.” —Psalm 119:140 (KJV)

MY DEAR FLOCK,—The approach of another year stirs up within me new desires for your salvation, and for the growth of those of you who are saved. “God is my witness, how I yearn for you all with the affection of Christ Jesus” (Phil. 1:8). What the coming year is to bring forth, who can tell? There is plainly a weight lying on the spirits of all good men, and a looking for some strange work of judgment upon this land. There is need now to ask that solemn question: “If in a safe land you are so trusting, what will you do in the thicket of the Jordan?” (Jer. 12:5).

Those believers will stand firmest who have no dependence upon self or upon creatures but upon Jehovah our Righteousness. We must be driven more to our Bibles, and to the mercy-seat, if we are to stand in the evil day. Then we shall be able to say, like David, “The insolent utterly deride me, but I do not turn away from your law” (Ps. 119:51). “Princes persecute me without cause, but my heart stands in awe of your words” (Ps. 119:161).

It has long been in my mind to prepare a plan for Scripture reading, in which as many as were made willing by God might agree, so that the whole Bible might be read once by you in the year, and all might be feeding in the same portion of the green pasture at the same time.

I am quite aware that such a plan is accompanied with many...

DANGERS.

(1) Formality. — We are such weak creatures that any regularly returning duty is apt to degenerate into a lifeless form. The tendency of reading the Word by a fixed rule may, in some minds, be to create this skeleton religion. This is to be the peculiar sin of the last days: “having the appearance of godliness, but denying its power” (2 Tim. 3:5). Guard against this. Let the reading plan itself perish rather than this rust eat up your souls.

(2) Self-righteousness. — Some, when they have devoted their set time to reading of the Word and accomplished their prescribed portion, may be tempted to look at themselves with self-complacency. Many, I am persuaded, are living without any divine work on their soul—unpardoned and unsanctified, and ready to perish—who spend their appointed times in private and family devotion. This is going to hell with a lie in their right hand.

(3) Careless reading. — Few tremble at the Word of God. Few, in reading it, hear the voice of Jehovah, which is full of majesty. Some, by having so large a portion, may be tempted to weary of it, as Israel did of the daily manna, saying, “We loathe this worthless food” (Num. 21:5), and to read it in a slight and careless manner. This would be fearfully provoking to God. Take heed lest that word be true of you: “You say, ‘What a weariness this is;’ and you snort at it, says the LORD of hosts” (Mal. 1:13).

(4) A yoke too heavy to bear. — Some may engage in reading with eagerness for a time, and afterwards feel it a burden, grievous to be borne. They may find conscience dragging them through the appointed task without any relish of the heavenly food. If this be the case with any, throw aside the fetter, and feed at liberty in the sweet garden of God. My desire is not to cast a snare upon you but to be a helper of your joy.

If there be so many dangers, why propose such a plan at all? To this I answer that the best things are accompanied with danger, as the fairest flowers are often gathered in the clefts of some dangerous precipice. Let us weigh...

THE ADVANTAGES.

(1) The whole Bible will be read through in an orderly manner in the course of a year. — The Old Testament once, the New Testament and Psalms twice. I fear many of you never read the whole Bible; and yet it is all equally divine: "All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete" (2 Tim. 3:16-17). If we pass over some parts of Scripture, we shall be incomplete Christians.

(2) Time will not be wasted in choosing what portions to read. — Often believers are at a loss to determine towards which part of the mountains of spices they should bend their steps. Here the question will be solved at once in a very simple manner.

(3) Parents will have a regular subject upon which to examine their children. — It is much to be desired that family worship were made more instructive than it generally is. The mere reading of the chapter is often too like water spilt on the ground. Let it be read by every member of the family beforehand, and then the meaning and application drawn out by simple question-and-answer. The calendar will be helpful in this. Friends also, when they meet, will have a subject for profitable conversation in the portions read that day. The meaning of difficult passages may be inquired from the more judicious and ripe Christians, and the fragrance of simpler Scriptures spread abroad.

(4) The pastor will know in what part of the pasture the flock are feeding. — He will thus be enabled to speak more suitably to them on the Sabbath; and both pastor and elders will be able to drop a word of light and comfort in visiting from house to house which will be more readily responded to.

(5) The sweet bond of Christian love and unity will be strengthened. — We shall be often led to think of those dear brothers and sisters in the Lord, here and elsewhere, who agree to join with us in reading those portions. We shall oftener be led to agree on earth touching something we shall ask of God. We shall pray over the same promises, mourn over the same confessions, praise God in the same songs, and be nourished by the same words of eternal life.

—Robert Murray M'Cheyne
December 1842

DIRECTIONS

FOR M'CHEYNE'S DAILY BIBLE READING CALENDAR

- 1.** The first column contains the day of the month. The next two columns contain the chapters to be read. The top of the page distinguishes between family reading and private reading.
- 2.** The head of the family should previously read over the chapter indicated for the family worship and mark two or three of the most prominent verses upon which he may dwell, asking a few simple questions.
- 3.** Frequently the chapter named in the calendar for family reading might be read more suitably in private; in which case the head of the family should recommend that it be read in private, and the chapter for private reading may be used in the family.
- 4.** The metrical version of the Psalms should be read or sung through at least once in the year. It is truly an admirable translation from the Hebrew and is frequently more correct than the prose version. If three verses be sung at each diet of family worship, the whole Psalms will be sung through in the year.
- 5.** Let the conversation at the family meals frequently turn upon the chapter read; thus every meal will be a sacrament, being sanctified by the Word and prayer.
- 6.** Let our private reading prevent the dawning of the day. Let God's voice be the first we hear in the morning. Mark two or three of the richest verses, and pray over every line and word of them.

Let the marks be neatly done, never as to abuse a copy of the Bible.

- 7.** In meeting believers on the street or elsewhere, when an easy opportunity offers, return to the chapters read that morning. This will be a blessed exchange for idle words, which waste the soul and grieve the Holy Spirit of God. In writing letters to those at a distance, make use of the provision of the day gathered.
- 8.** Above all, use the Word as a lamp to your feet and a light to your path—your guide in perplexity, your armor in temptation, your food in times of faintness. Hear the constant cry of the great Intercessor,

*"SANCTIFY THEM THROUGH THY TRUTH:
THY WORD IS TRUTH." (John 17:17, KJV)*

St. Peter's, Dundee, December 30, 1842.

January

FAMILY READING

PRIVATE READING

✓	Date	Passage 1	Passage 2
	1	Genesis 1	Matthew 1
	2	Genesis 2	Matthew 2
	3	Genesis 3	Matthew 3
	4	Genesis 4	Matthew 4
	5	Genesis 5	Matthew 5
	6	Genesis 6	Matthew 6
	7	Genesis 7	Matthew 7
	8	Genesis 8	Matthew 8
	9	Genesis 9, 10	Matthew 9
	10	Genesis 11	Matthew 10
	11	Genesis 12	Matthew 11
	12	Genesis 13	Matthew 12
	13	Genesis 14	Matthew 13
	14	Genesis 15	Matthew 14
	15	Genesis 16	Matthew 15
	16	Genesis 17	Matthew 16
	17	Genesis 18	Matthew 17
	18	Genesis 19	Matthew 18
	19	Genesis 20	Matthew 19
	20	Genesis 21	Matthew 20
	21	Genesis 22	Matthew 21
	22	Genesis 23	Matthew 22
	23	Genesis 24	Matthew 23
	24	Genesis 25	Matthew 24
	25	Genesis 26	Matthew 25
	26	Genesis 27	Matthew 26
	27	Genesis 28	Matthew 27
	28	Genesis 29	Matthew 28
	29	Genesis 30	Mark 1
	30	Genesis 31	Mark 2
	31	Genesis 32	Mark 3

✓	Date	Passage 1	Passage 2
	1	Ezra 1	Acts 1
	2	Ezra 2	Acts 2
	3	Ezra 3	Acts 3
	4	Ezra 4	Acts 4
	5	Ezra 5	Acts 5
	6	Ezra 6	Acts 6
	7	Ezra 7	Acts 7
	8	Ezra 8	Acts 8
	9	Ezra 9	Acts 9
	10	Ezra 10	Acts 10
	11	Nehemiah 1	Acts 11
	12	Nehemiah 2	Acts 12
	13	Nehemiah 3	Acts 13
	14	Nehemiah 4	Acts 14
	15	Nehemiah 5	Acts 15
	16	Nehemiah 6	Acts 16
	17	Nehemiah 7	Acts 17
	18	Nehemiah 8	Acts 18
	19	Nehemiah 9	Acts 19
	20	Nehemiah 10	Acts 20
	21	Nehemiah 11	Acts 21
	22	Nehemiah 12	Acts 22
	23	Nehemiah 13	Acts 23
	24	Esther 1	Acts 24
	25	Esther 2	Acts 25
	26	Esther 3	Acts 26
	27	Esther 4	Acts 27
	28	Esther 5	Acts 28
	29	Esther 6	Romans 1
	30	Esther 7	Romans 2
	31	Esther 8	Romans 3

February

FAMILY READING

PRIVATE READING

✓	Date	Passage 1	Passage 2
	1	Genesis 33	Mark 4
	2	Genesis 34	Mark 5
	3	Genesis 35, 36	Mark 6
	4	Genesis 37	Mark 7
	5	Genesis 38	Mark 8
	6	Genesis 39	Mark 9
	7	Genesis 40	Mark 10
	8	Genesis 41	Mark 11
	9	Genesis 42	Mark 12
	10	Genesis 43	Mark 13
	11	Genesis 44	Mark 14
	12	Genesis 45	Mark 15
	13	Genesis 46	Mark 16
	14	Genesis 47	Luke 1:1-38
	15	Genesis 48	Luke 1:39-80
	16	Genesis 49	Luke 2
	17	Genesis 50	Luke 3
	18	Exodus 1	Luke 4
	19	Exodus 2	Luke 5
	20	Exodus 3	Luke 6
	21	Exodus 4	Luke 7
	22	Exodus 5	Luke 8
	23	Exodus 6	Luke 9
	24	Exodus 7	Luke 10
	25	Exodus 8	Luke 11
	26	Exodus 9	Luke 12
	27	Exodus 10	Luke 13
	28	Exodus 11, 12:1-21	Luke 14

✓	Date	Passage 1	Passage 2
	1	Esther 9, 10	Romans 4
	2	Job 1	Romans 5
	3	Job 2	Romans 6
	4	Job 3	Romans 7
	5	Job 4	Romans 8
	6	Job 5	Romans 9
	7	Job 6	Romans 10
	8	Job 7	Romans 11
	9	Job 8	Romans 12
	10	Job 9	Romans 13
	11	Job 10	Romans 14
	12	Job 11	Romans 15
	13	Job 12	Romans 16
	14	Job 13	1 Corinthians 1
	15	Job 14	1 Corinthians 2
	16	Job 15	1 Corinthians 3
	17	Job 16, 17	1 Corinthians 4
	18	Job 18	1 Corinthians 5
	19	Job 19	1 Corinthians 6
	20	Job 20	1 Corinthians 7
	21	Job 21	1 Corinthians 8
	22	Job 22	1 Corinthians 9
	23	Job 23	1 Corinthians 10
	24	Job 24	1 Corinthians 11
	25	Job 25, 26	1 Corinthians 12
	26	Job 27	1 Corinthians 13
	27	Job 28	1 Corinthians 14
	28	Job 29	1 Corinthians 15

March

FAMILY READING

PRIVATE READING

✓	Date	Passage 1	Passage 2
	1	Exodus 12:22-51	Luke 15
	2	Exodus 13	Luke 16
	3	Exodus 14	Luke 17
	4	Exodus 15	Luke 18
	5	Exodus 16	Luke 19
	6	Exodus 17	Luke 20
	7	Exodus 18	Luke 21
	8	Exodus 19	Luke 22
	9	Exodus 20	Luke 23
	10	Exodus 21	Luke 24
	11	Exodus 22	John 1
	12	Exodus 23	John 2
	13	Exodus 24	John 3
	14	Exodus 25	John 4
	15	Exodus 26	John 5
	16	Exodus 27	John 6
	17	Exodus 28	John 7
	18	Exodus 29	John 8
	19	Exodus 30	John 9
	20	Exodus 31	John 10
	21	Exodus 32	John 11
	22	Exodus 33	John 12
	23	Exodus 34	John 13
	24	Exodus 35	John 14
	25	Exodus 36	John 15
	26	Exodus 37	John 16
	27	Exodus 38	John 17
	28	Exodus 39	John 18
	29	Exodus 40	John 19
	30	Leviticus 1	John 20
	31	Leviticus 2, 3	John 21

✓	Date	Passage 1	Passage 2
	1	Job 30	1 Corinthians 16
	2	Job 31	2 Corinthians 1
	3	Job 32	2 Corinthians 2
	4	Job 33	2 Corinthians 3
	5	Job 34	2 Corinthians 4
	6	Job 35	2 Corinthians 5
	7	Job 36	2 Corinthians 6
	8	Job 37	2 Corinthians 7
	9	Job 38	2 Corinthians 8
	10	Job 39	2 Corinthians 9
	11	Job 40	2 Corinthians 10
	12	Job 41	2 Corinthians 11
	13	Job 42	2 Corinthians 12
	14	Proverbs 1	2 Corinthians 13
	15	Proverbs 2	Galatians 1
	16	Proverbs 3	Galatians 2
	17	Proverbs 4	Galatians 3
	18	Proverbs 5	Galatians 4
	19	Proverbs 6	Galatians 5
	20	Proverbs 7	Galatians 6
	21	Proverbs 8	Ephesians 1
	22	Proverbs 9	Ephesians 2
	23	Proverbs 10	Ephesians 3
	24	Proverbs 11	Ephesians 4
	25	Proverbs 12	Ephesians 5
	26	Proverbs 13	Ephesians 6
	27	Proverbs 14	Philippians 1
	28	Proverbs 15	Philippians 2
	29	Proverbs 16	Philippians 3
	30	Proverbs 17	Philippians 4
	31	Proverbs 18	Colossians 1

April

FAMILY READING

PRIVATE READING

✓	Date	Passage 1	Passage 2
	1	Leviticus 4	Psalms 1, 2
	2	Leviticus 5	Psalms 2, 4
	3	Leviticus 6	Psalms 5, 6
	4	Leviticus 7	Psalms 7, 8
	5	Leviticus 8	Psalms 9
	6	Leviticus 9	Psalms 10
	7	Leviticus 10	Psalms 11, 12
	8	Leviticus 11, 12	Psalms 13, 14
	9	Leviticus 13	Psalms 15, 16
	10	Leviticus 14	Psalms 17
	11	Leviticus 15	Psalms 18
	12	Leviticus 16	Psalms 19
	13	Leviticus 17	Psalms 20, 21
	14	Leviticus 18	Psalms 22
	15	Leviticus 19	Psalms 23, 24
	16	Leviticus 20	Psalms 25
	17	Leviticus 21	Psalms 26, 27
	18	Leviticus 22	Psalms 28, 29
	19	Leviticus 23	Psalms 30
	20	Leviticus 24	Psalms 31
	21	Leviticus 25	Psalms 32
	22	Leviticus 26	Psalms 33
	23	Leviticus 27	Psalms 34
	24	Numbers 1	Psalms 35
	25	Numbers 2	Psalms 36
	26	Numbers 3	Psalms 37
	27	Numbers 4	Psalms 38
	28	Numbers 5	Psalms 39
	29	Numbers 6	Psalms 40, 41
	30	Numbers 7	Psalms 42, 43

✓	Date	Passage 1	Passage 2
	1	Proverbs 19	Colossians 2
	2	Proverbs 20	Colossians 3
	3	Proverbs 21	Colossians 4
	4	Proverbs 22	1 Thessalonians 1
	5	Proverbs 23	1 Thessalonians 2
	6	Proverbs 24	1 Thessalonians 3
	7	Proverbs 25	1 Thessalonians 4
	8	Proverbs 26	1 Thessalonians 5
	9	Proverbs 27	2 Thessalonians 1
	10	Proverbs 28	2 Thessalonians 2
	11	Proverbs 29	2 Thessalonians 3
	12	Proverbs 30	1 Timothy 1
	13	Proverbs 31	1 Timothy 2
	14	Ecclesiastes 1	1 Timothy 3
	15	Ecclesiastes 2	1 Timothy 4
	16	Ecclesiastes 3	1 Timothy 5
	17	Ecclesiastes 4	1 Timothy 6
	18	Ecclesiastes 5	2 Timothy 1
	19	Ecclesiastes 6	2 Timothy 2
	20	Ecclesiastes 7	2 Timothy 3
	21	Ecclesiastes 8	2 Timothy 4
	22	Ecclesiastes 9	Titus 1
	23	Ecclesiastes 10	Titus 2
	24	Ecclesiastes 11	Titus 3
	25	Ecclesiastes 12	Philemon 1
	26	Song 1	Hebrews 1
	27	Song 2	Hebrews 2
	28	Song 3	Hebrews 3
	29	Song 4	Hebrews 4
	30	Song 5	Hebrews 5

May

FAMILY READING

PRIVATE READING

✓	Date	Passage 1	Passage 2
	1	Numbers 8	Psalms 44
	2	Numbers 9	Psalms 45
	3	Numbers 10	Psalms 46, 47
	4	Numbers 11	Psalms 48
	5	Numbers 12, 13	Psalms 49
	6	Numbers 14	Psalms 50
	7	Numbers 15	Psalms 51
	8	Numbers 16	Psalms 52, 53, 54
	9	Numbers 17, 18	Psalms 55
	10	Numbers 19	Psalms 56, 57
	11	Numbers 20	Psalms 58, 59
	12	Numbers 21	Psalms 60, 61
	13	Numbers 22	Psalms 62, 63
	14	Numbers 23	Psalms 64, 65
	15	Numbers 24	Psalms 66, 67
	16	Numbers 25	Psalms 68
	17	Numbers 26	Psalms 69
	18	Numbers 27	Psalms 70, 71
	19	Numbers 28	Psalms 72
	20	Numbers 29	Psalms 73
	21	Numbers 30	Psalms 74
	22	Numbers 31	Psalms 75, 76
	23	Numbers 32	Psalms 77
	24	Numbers 33	Psalms 78:1-37
	25	Numbers 34	Psalms 78:38-72
	26	Numbers 35	Psalms 79
	27	Numbers 36	Psalms 80
	28	Deuteronomy 1	Psalms 81, 82
	29	Deuteronomy 2	Psalms 83, 84
	30	Deuteronomy 3	Psalms 85
	31	Deuteronomy 4	Psalms 86, 87

✓	Date	Passage 1	Passage 2
	1	Songs 6	Hebrews 6
	2	Songs 7	Hebrews 7
	3	Songs 8	Hebrews 8
	4	Isaiah 1	Hebrews 9
	5	Isaiah 2	Hebrews 10
	6	Isaiah 3, 4	Hebrews 11
	7	Isaiah 5	Hebrews 12
	8	Isaiah 6	Hebrews 13
	9	Isaiah 7	James 1
	10	Isaiah 8, 9:1-7	James 2
	11	Isaiah 9:8-21, 10:1-4	James 3
	12	Isaiah 10:5-34	James 4
	13	Isaiah 11, 12	James 5
	14	Isaiah 13	1 Peter 1
	15	Isaiah 14	1 Peter 2
	16	Isaiah 15	1 Peter 3
	17	Isaiah 16	1 Peter 4
	18	Isaiah 17, 18	1 Peter 5
	19	Isaiah 19, 20	2 Peter 1
	20	Isaiah 21	2 Peter 2
	21	Isaiah 22	2 Peter 3
	22	Isaiah 23	1 John 1
	23	Isaiah 24	1 John 2
	24	Isaiah 25	1 John 3
	25	Isaiah 26	1 John 4
	26	Isaiah 27	1 John 5
	27	Isaiah 28	2 John 1
	28	Isaiah 29	3 John 1
	29	Isaiah 30	Jude 1
	30	Isaiah 31	Revelation 1
	31	Isaiah 32	Revelation 2

June

FAMILY READING

PRIVATE READING

✓	Date	Passage 1	Passage 2
	1	Deuteronomy 5	Psalms 88
	2	Deuteronomy 6	Psalms 89
	3	Deuteronomy 7	Psalms 90
	4	Deuteronomy 8	Psalms 91
	5	Deuteronomy 9	Psalms 92, 93
	6	Deuteronomy 10	Psalms 94
	7	Deuteronomy 11	Psalms 95, 96
	8	Deuteronomy 12	Psalms 97, 98
	9	Deuteronomy 13, 14	Psalms 99, 100, 101
	10	Deuteronomy 15	Psalms 102
	11	Deuteronomy 16	Psalms 103
	12	Deuteronomy 17	Psalms 104
	13	Deuteronomy 18	Psalms 105
	14	Deuteronomy 19	Psalms 106
	15	Deuteronomy 20	Psalms 107
	16	Deuteronomy 21	Psalms 108, 109
	17	Deuteronomy 22	Psalms 110, 111
	18	Deuteronomy 23	Psalms 112, 113
	19	Deuteronomy 24	Psalms 114, 115
	20	Deuteronomy 25	Psalms 116
	21	Deuteronomy 26	Psalms 117, 118
	22	Deuteronomy 27, 28:1-19	Psalms 119:1-24
	23	Deuteronomy 28:20-68	Psalms 119:25-48
	24	Deuteronomy 29	Psalms 119:49-72
	25	Deuteronomy 30	Psalms 119:74-96
	26	Deuteronomy 31	Psalms 119:97-120
	27	Deuteronomy 32	Psalms 119:121-144
	28	Deuteronomy 33, 34	Psalms 119:145-176
	29	Joshua 1	Psalms 120, 121, 122
	30	Joshua 2	Psalms 123, 124, 125

✓	Date	Passage 1	Passage 2
	1	Isaiah 33	Revelation 3
	2	Isaiah 34	Revelation 4
	3	Isaiah 35	Revelation 5
	4	Isaiah 36	Revelation 6
	5	Isaiah 37	Revelation 7
	6	Isaiah 38	Revelation 8
	7	Isaiah 39	Revelation 9
	8	Isaiah 40	Revelation 10
	9	Isaiah 41	Revelation 11
	10	Isaiah 42	Revelation 12
	11	Isaiah 43	Revelation 13
	12	Isaiah 44	Revelation 14
	13	Isaiah 45	Revelation 15
	14	Isaiah 46	Revelation 16
	15	Isaiah 47	Revelation 17
	16	Isaiah 48	Revelation 18
	17	Isaiah 49	Revelation 19
	18	Isaiah 50	Revelation 20
	19	Isaiah 51	Revelation 21
	20	Isaiah 52	Revelation 22
	21	Isaiah 53	Matthew 1
	22	Isaiah 54	Matthew 2
	23	Isaiah 55	Matthew 3
	24	Isaiah 56	Matthew 4
	25	Isaiah 57	Matthew 5
	26	Isaiah 58	Matthew 6
	27	Isaiah 59	Matthew 7
	28	Isaiah 60	Matthew 8
	29	Isaiah 61	Matthew 9
	30	Isaiah 62	Matthew 10

July

FAMILY READING

PRIVATE READING

✓	Date	Passage 1	Passage 2
	1	Joshua 3	Psalms 126, 127, 128
	2	Joshua 4	Psalms 129, 130, 131
	3	Joshua 5, 6:1-5	Psalms 132, 133, 134
	4	Joshua 6:6-27	Psalms 135, 136
	5	Joshua 7	Psalms 137, 138
	6	Joshua 8	Psalms 139
	7	Joshua 9	Psalms 140, 141
	8	Joshua 10	Psalms 142, 143
	9	Joshua 11	Psalms 144
	10	Joshua 12, 13	Psalms 145
	11	Joshua 14, 15	Psalms 146, 147
	12	Joshua 16, 17	Psalms 148
	13	Joshua 18, 19	Psalms 149, 150
	14	Joshua 20, 21	Acts 1
	15	Joshua 22	Acts 2
	16	Joshua 23	Acts 3
	17	Joshua 24	Acts 4
	18	Judges 1	Acts 5
	19	Judges 2	Acts 6
	20	Judges 3	Acts 7
	21	Judges 4	Acts 8
	22	Judges 5	Acts 9
	23	Judges 6	Acts 10
	24	Judges 7	Acts 11
	25	Judges 8	Acts 12
	26	Judges 9	Acts 13
	27	Judges 10, 11:1-11	Acts 14
	28	Judges 11:12-40	Acts 15
	29	Judges 12	Acts 16
	30	Judges 13	Acts 17
	31	Judges 14	Acts 18

✓	Date	Passage 1	Passage 2
	1	Isaiah 63	Matthew 11
	2	Isaiah 64	Matthew 12
	3	Isaiah 65	Matthew 13
	4	Isaiah 66	Matthew 14
	5	Jeremiah 1	Matthew 15
	6	Jeremiah 2	Matthew 16
	7	Jeremiah 3	Matthew 17
	8	Jeremiah 4	Matthew 18
	9	Jeremiah 5	Matthew 19
	10	Jeremiah 6	Matthew 20
	11	Jeremiah 7	Matthew 21
	12	Jeremiah 8	Matthew 22
	13	Jeremiah 9	Matthew 23
	14	Jeremiah 10	Matthew 24
	15	Jeremiah 11	Matthew 25
	16	Jeremiah 12	Matthew 26
	17	Jeremiah 13	Matthew 27
	18	Jeremiah 14	Matthew 28
	19	Jeremiah 15	Mark 1
	20	Jeremiah 16	Mark 2
	21	Jeremiah 17	Mark 3
	22	Jeremiah 18	Mark 4
	23	Jeremiah 19	Mark 5
	24	Jeremiah 20	Mark 6
	25	Jeremiah 21	Mark 7
	26	Jeremiah 22	Mark 8
	27	Jeremiah 23	Mark 9
	28	Jeremiah 24	Mark 10
	29	Jeremiah 25	Mark 11
	30	Jeremiah 26	Mark 12
	31	Jeremiah 27	Mark 13

August

FAMILY READING

PRIVATE READING

✓	Date	Passage 1	Passage 2
	1	Judges 15	Acts 19
	2	Judges 16	Acts 20
	3	Judges 17	Acts 21
	4	Judges 18	Acts 22
	5	Judges 19	Acts 23
	6	Judges 20	Acts 24
	7	Judges 21	Acts 25
	8	Ruth 1	Acts 26
	9	Ruth 2	Acts 27
	10	Ruth 3, 4	Acts 28
	11	1 Samuel 1	Romans 1
	12	1 Samuel 2	Romans 2
	13	1 Samuel 3	Romans 3
	14	1 Samuel 4	Romans 4
	15	1 Samuel 5, 6	Romans 5
	16	1 Samuel 7, 8	Romans 6
	17	1 Samuel 9	Romans 7
	18	1 Samuel 10	Romans 8
	19	1 Samuel 11	Romans 9
	20	1 Samuel 12	Romans 10
	21	1 Samuel 13	Romans 11
	22	1 Samuel 14	Romans 12
	23	1 Samuel 15	Romans 13
	24	1 Samuel 16	Romans 14
	25	1 Samuel 17	Romans 15
	26	1 Samuel 18	Romans 16
	27	1 Samuel 19	1 Corinthians 1
	28	1 Samuel 20	1 Corinthians 2
	29	1 Samuel 21, 22	1 Corinthians 3
	30	1 Samuel 23	1 Corinthians 4
	31	1 Samuel 24	1 Corinthians 5

✓	Date	Passage 1	Passage 2
	1	Jeremiah 28	Mark 14
	2	Jeremiah 29	Mark 15
	3	Jeremiah 30, 31	Mark 16
	4	Jeremiah 32	Psalms 1, 2
	5	Jeremiah 33	Psalms 3, 4
	6	Jeremiah 34	Psalms 5, 6
	7	Jeremiah 35	Psalms 7, 8
	8	Jeremiah 36, 45	Psalms 9
	9	Jeremiah 37	Psalms 10
	10	Jeremiah 38	Psalms 11, 12
	11	Jeremiah 39	Psalms 13, 14
	12	Jeremiah 40	Psalms 15, 16
	13	Jeremiah 41	Psalms 17
	14	Jeremiah 42	Psalms 18
	15	Jeremiah 43	Psalms 19
	16	Jeremiah 44	Psalms 20, 21
	17	Jeremiah 46	Psalms 22
	18	Jeremiah 47	Psalms 23, 24
	19	Jeremiah 48	Psalms 25
	20	Jeremiah 49	Psalms 26, 27
	21	Jeremiah 50	Psalms 28, 29
	22	Jeremiah 51	Psalms 30
	23	Jeremiah 52	Psalms 31
	24	Lamentations 1	Psalms 32
	25	Lamentations 2	Psalms 33
	26	Lamentations 3	Psalms 34
	27	Lamentations 4	Psalms 35
	28	Lamentations 5	Psalms 36
	29	Ezekiel 1	Psalms 37
	30	Ezekiel 2	Psalms 38
	31	Ezekiel 3	Psalms 39

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PRIVATE READING

✓	Date	Passage 1	Passage 2
	1	1 Samuel 25	1 Corinthians 6
	2	1 Samuel 26	1 Corinthians 7
	3	1 Samuel 27	1 Corinthians 8
	4	1 Samuel 28	1 Corinthians 9
	5	1 Samuel 29, 30	1 Corinthians 10
	6	1 Samuel 31	1 Corinthians 11
	7	2 Samuel 1	1 Corinthians 12
	8	2 Samuel 2	1 Corinthians 13
	9	2 Samuel 3	1 Corinthians 14
	10	2 Samuel 4, 5	1 Corinthians 15
	11	2 Samuel 6	1 Corinthians 16
	12	2 Samuel 7	2 Corinthians 1
	13	2 Samuel 8, 9	2 Corinthians 2
	14	2 Samuel 10	2 Corinthians 3
	15	2 Samuel 11	2 Corinthians 4
	16	2 Samuel 12	2 Corinthians 5
	17	2 Samuel 13	2 Corinthians 6
	18	2 Samuel 14	2 Corinthians 7
	19	2 Samuel 15	2 Corinthians 8
	20	2 Samuel 16	2 Corinthians 9
	21	2 Samuel 17	2 Corinthians 10
	22	2 Samuel 18	2 Corinthians 11
	23	2 Samuel 19	2 Corinthians 12
	24	2 Samuel 20	2 Corinthians 13
	25	2 Samuel 21	Galatians 1
	26	2 Samuel 22	Galatians 2
	27	2 Samuel 23	Galatians 3
	28	2 Samuel 24	Galatians 4
	29	1 Kings 1	Galatians 5
	30	1 Kings 2	Galatians 6

✓	Date	Passage 1	Passage 2
	1	Ezekiel 4	Psalms 40, 41
	2	Ezekiel 5	Psalms 42, 43
	3	Ezekiel 6	Psalms 44
	4	Ezekiel 7	Psalms 45
	5	Ezekiel 8	Psalms 46, 47
	6	Ezekiel 9	Psalms 48
	7	Ezekiel 10	Psalms 49
	8	Ezekiel 11	Psalms 50
	9	Ezekiel 12	Psalms 51
	10	Ezekiel 13	Psalms 52, 53, 54
	11	Ezekiel 14	Psalms 55
	12	Ezekiel 15	Psalms 56, 57
	13	Ezekiel 16	Psalms 58, 59
	14	Ezekiel 17	Psalms 60, 61
	15	Ezekiel 18	Psalms 62, 63
	16	Ezekiel 19	Psalms 64, 65
	17	Ezekiel 20	Psalms 66, 67
	18	Ezekiel 21	Psalms 68
	19	Ezekiel 22	Psalms 69
	20	Ezekiel 23	Psalms 70, 71
	21	Ezekiel 24	Psalms 72
	22	Ezekiel 25	Psalms 73
	23	Ezekiel 26	Psalms 74
	24	Ezekiel 27	Psalms 75, 76
	25	Ezekiel 28	Psalms 77
	26	Ezekiel 29	Psalms 78:1-37
	27	Ezekiel 30	Psalms 78:38-72
	28	Ezekiel 31	Psalms 79
	29	Ezekiel 32	Psalms 80
	30	Ezekiel 33	Psalms 81, 82

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FAMILY READING

PRIVATE READING

✓	Date	Passage 1	Passage 2
	1	1 Kings 3	Ephesians 1
	2	1 Kings 4, 5	Ephesians 2
	3	1 Kings 6	Ephesians 3
	4	1 Kings 7	Ephesians 4
	5	1 Kings 8	Ephesians 5
	6	1 Kings 9	Ephesians 6
	7	1 Kings 10	Phillipians 1
	8	1 Kings 11	Phillipians 2
	9	1 Kings 12	Phillipians 3
	10	1 Kings 13	Phillipians 4
	11	1 Kings 14	Colossians 1
	12	1 Kings 15	Colossians 2
	13	1 Kings 16	Colossians 3
	14	1 Kings 17	Colossians 4
	15	1 Kings 18	1 Thessalonians 1
	16	1 Kings 19	1 Thessalonians 2
	17	1 Kings 20	1 Thessalonians 3
	18	1 Kings 21	1 Thessalonians 4
	19	1 Kings 22	1 Thessalonians 5
	20	2 Kings 1	2 Thessalonians 1
	21	2 Kings 2	2 Thessalonians 2
	22	2 Kings 3	2 Thessalonians 3
	23	2 Kings 4	1 Timothy 1
	24	2 Kings 5	1 Timothy 2
	25	2 Kings 6	1 Timothy 3
	26	2 Kings 7	1 Timothy 4
	27	2 Kings 8	1 Timothy 5
	28	2 Kings 9	1 Timothy 6
	29	2 Kings 10	2 Timothy 1
	30	2 Kings 11, 12	2 Timothy 2
	31	2 Kings 13	2 Timothy 3

✓	Date	Passage 1	Passage 2
	1	Ezekiel 34	Psalms 83, 84
	2	Ezekiel 35	Psalms 85
	3	Ezekiel 36	Psalms 86
	4	Ezekiel 37	Psalms 87, 88
	5	Ezekiel 38	Psalms 89
	6	Ezekiel 39	Psalms 90
	7	Ezekiel 40	Psalms 91
	8	Ezekiel 41	Psalms 92, 93
	9	Ezekiel 42	Psalms 94
	10	Ezekiel 43	Psalms 95, 96
	11	Ezekiel 44	Psalms 97, 98
	12	Ezekiel 45	Psalms 99, 100, 101
	13	Ezekiel 46	Psalms 102
	14	Ezekiel 47	Psalms 103
	15	Ezekiel 48	Psalms 104
	16	Daniel 1	Psalms 105
	17	Daniel 2	Psalms 106
	18	Daniel 3	Psalms 107
	19	Daniel 4	Psalms 108, 109
	20	Daniel 5	Psalms 110, 111
	21	Daniel 6	Psalms 112, 113
	22	Daniel 7	Psalms 114, 115
	23	Daniel 8	Psalms 116
	24	Daniel 9	Psalms 117, 118
	25	Daniel 10	Psalms 119:1-24
	26	Daniel 11	Psalms 119:25-48
	27	Daniel 12	Psalms 119:49-72
	28	Hosea 1	Psalms 119:73-96
	29	Hosea 2	Psalms 119:97-120
	30	Hosea 3, 4	Psalms 119:121-144
	31	Hosea 5, 6	Psalms 119:145-176

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PRIVATE READING

✓	Date	Passage 1	Passage 2
	1	2 Kings 14	2 Timothy 4
	2	2 Kings 15	Titus 1
	3	2 Kings 16	Titus 2
	4	2 Kings 17	Titus 3
	5	2 Kings 18	Philemon 1
	6	2 Kings 19	Hebrews 1
	7	2 Kings 20	Hebrews 2
	8	2 Kings 21	Hebrews 3
	9	2 Kings 22	Hebrews 4
	10	2 Kings 23	Hebrews 5
	11	2 Kings 24	Hebrews 6
	12	2 Kings 25	Hebrews 7
	13	1 Chronicles 1, 2	Hebrews 8
	14	1 Chronicles 3, 4	Hebrews 9
	15	1 Chronicles 5, 6	Hebrews 10
	16	1 Chronicles 7, 8	Hebrews 11
	17	1 Chronicles 9, 10	Hebrews 12
	18	1 Chronicles 11, 12	Hebrews 13
	19	1 Chronicles 13, 14	James 1
	20	1 Chronicles 15	James 2
	21	1 Chronicles 16	James 3
	22	1 Chronicles 17	James 4
	23	1 Chronicles 18	James 5
	24	1 Chronicles 19, 20	1 Peter 1
	25	1 Chronicles 21	1 Peter 2
	26	1 Chronicles 22	1 Peter 3
	27	1 Chronicles 23	1 Peter 4
	28	1 Chronicles 24, 25	1 Peter 5
	29	1 Chronicles 26, 27	2 Peter 1
	30	1 Chronicles 28	2 Peter 2

✓	Date	Passage 1	Passage 2
	1	Hosea 7	Psalms 120, 121, 122
	2	Hosea 8	Psalms 123, 124, 125
	3	Hosea 9	Psalms 126, 127, 128
	4	Hosea 10	Psalms 129, 130, 131
	5	Hosea 11	Psalms 132, 133, 134
	6	Hosea 12	Psalms 135, 136
	7	Hosea 13	Psalms 137, 138
	8	Hosea 14	Psalm 139
	9	Joel 1	Psalms 140, 141
	10	Joel 2	Psalm 142
	11	Joel 3	Psalm 143
	12	Amos 1	Psalm 144
	13	Amos 2	Psalm 145
	14	Amos 3	Psalms 146, 147
	15	Amos 4	Psalms 148, 149, 150
	16	Amos 5	Luke 1:1-38
	17	Amos 6	Luke 1:39-80
	18	Amos 7	Luke 2
	19	Amos 8	Luke 3
	20	Amos 9	Luke 4
	21	Obadiah 1	Luke 5
	22	Jonah 1	Luke 6
	23	Jonah 2	Luke 7
	24	Jonah 3	Luke 8
	25	Jonah 4	Luke 9
	26	Micah 1	Luke 10
	27	Micah 2	Luke 11
	28	Micah 3	Luke 12
	29	Micah 4	Luke 13
	30	Micah 5	Luke 14

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✓	Date	Passage 1	Passage 2
	1	1 Chronicles 29	2 Peter 3
	2	2 Chronicles 1	1 John 1
	3	2 Chronicles 2	1 John 2
	4	2 Chronicles 3, 4	1 John 3
	5	2 Chronicles 5, 6:1-11	1 John 4
	6	2 Chronicles 6:12-42	1 John 5
	7	2 Chronicles 7	2 John 1
	8	2 Chronicles 8	3 John 1
	9	2 Chronicles 9	Jude 1
	10	2 Chronicles 10	Revelation 1
	11	2 Chronicles 11, 12	Revelation 2
	12	2 Chronicles 13	Revelation 3
	13	2 Chronicles 14, 15	Revelation 4
	14	2 Chronicles 16	Revelation 5
	15	2 Chronicles 17	Revelation 6
	16	2 Chronicles 18	Revelation 7
	17	2 Chronicles 19, 20	Revelation 8
	18	2 Chronicles 21	Revelation 9
	19	2 Chronicles 22, 23	Revelation 10
	20	2 Chronicles 24	Revelation 11
	21	2 Chronicles 25	Revelation 12
	22	2 Chronicles 26	Revelation 13
	23	2 Chronicles 27, 28	Revelation 14
	24	2 Chronicles 29	Revelation 15
	25	2 Chronicles 30	Revelation 16
	26	2 Chronicles 31	Revelation 17
	27	2 Chronicles 32	Revelation 18
	28	2 Chronicles 33	Revelation 19
	29	2 Chronicles 34	Revelation 20
	30	2 Chronicles 35	Revelation 21
	31	2 Chronicles 36	Revelation 22

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	1	Micah 6	Luke 15
	2	Micah 7	Luke 16
	3	Nahum 1	Luke 17
	4	Nahum 2	Luke 18
	5	Nahum 3	Luke 19
	6	Habakkuk 1	Luke 20
	7	Habakkuk 2	Luke 21
	8	Habakkuk 3	Luke 22
	9	Zephaniah 1	Luke 23
	10	Zephaniah 2	Luke 24
	11	Zephaniah 3	John 1
	12	Haggai 1	John 2
	13	Haggai 2	John 3
	14	Zechariah 1	John 4
	15	Zechariah 2	John 5
	16	Zechariah 3	John 6
	17	Zechariah 4	John 7
	18	Zechariah 5	John 8
	19	Zechariah 6	John 9
	20	Zechariah 7	John 10
	21	Zechariah 8	John 11
	22	Zechariah 9	John 12
	23	Zechariah 10	John 13
	24	Zechariah 11	John 14
	25	Zechariah 12, 13:1	John 15
	26	Zechariah 13:2-9	John 16
	27	Zechariah 14	John 17
	28	Malachi 1	John 18
	29	Malachi 2	John 19
	30	Malachi 3	John 20
	31	Malachi 4	John 21



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