2023 Bible Reading Plan

"The reason we come away so cold from reading the word is because we do not warm ourselves at the fire of meditation."

Thomas Watson

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3 KEYS TO PRAYERFUL MEDITATION

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Briefly pray for God's help as you read His Word. Humbly acknowledge your need for this help. Ask God to feed you with His Word. This small act of humility will position you for God's grace. Remember, "God opposes the proud, but he gives grace to the humble." See prayers on page 6 of this booklet.

In an unhurried way, read through a pre-selected portion of Scripture. What you are seeking for is prayerful meditation on God's Word. You are seeking to let God feed you with His Word.

- Set aside enough time so you can be unhurried in your reading.
- Have a plan for what you will read.
- Prayerfully meditate as you read.

"Meditating is thinking about, reflecting upon, considering, taking to heart, reading slowly and carefully, prayerfully taking in, and humbly receiving into mind, heart and will that which God has revealed."

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Peter Toon in Meditating as a Christian

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Let your meditation on Scripture lead you into a time of prayer according to your own life situation, needs and responsibilities.

JANU	ARY		FEBR	UARY		MARC	CH	
Jan 01	Gen 1	Matt 1	Feb 01	Gen 33	Mark 4	Mar 01	Ex 12:21-51	Lu 15
Jan 02	Gen 2	Matt 2	Feb 02	Gen 34	Mark 5	Mar 02	Ex 13	Lu 16
Jan 03	Gen 3	Matt 3	Feb 03	Gen 35-36	Mark 6	Mar 03	Ex 14	Lu 17
Jan 04	Gen 4	Matt 4	Feb 04	Gen 37	Mark 7	Mar 04	Ex 15	Lu 18
Jan 05	Gen 5	Matt 5	Feb 05	Gen 38	Mark 8	Mar 05	Ex 16	Lu 19
Jan 06	Gen 6	Matt 6	Feb 06	Gen 39	Mark 9	Mar 06	Ex 17	Lu 20
Jan 07	Gen 7	Matt 7	Feb 07	Gen 40	Mark 10	Mar 07	Ex 18	Lu 21
Jan 08	Gen 8	Matt 8	Feb 08	Gen 41	Mark 11	Mar 08	Ex 19	Lu 22
Jan 09	Gen 9-10	Matt 9	Feb 09	Gen 42	Mark 12	Mar 09	Ex 20	Lu 23
Jan 10	Gen 11	Matt 10	Feb 10	Gen 43	Mark 13	Mar 10	Ex 21	Lu 24
Jan 11	Gen 12	Matt 11	Feb 11	Gen 44	Mark 14	Mar 11	Ex 22	John 1
Jan 12	Gen 13	Matt 12	Feb 12	Gen 45	Mark 15	Mar 12	Ex 23	John 2
Jan 13	Gen 14	Matt 13	Feb 13	Gen 46	Mark 16	Mar 13	Ex 24	John 3
Jan 14	Gen 15	Matt 14	Feb 14	Gen 47	Lu 1:1-38	Mar 14	Ex 25	John 4
Jan 15	Gen 16	Matt 15	Feb 15	Gen 48	Lu 1:39-80	Mar 15	Ex 26	John 5
Jan 16	Gen 17	Matt 16	Feb 16	Gen 49	Lu 2	Mar 16	Ex 27	John 6
Jan 17	Gen 18	Matt 17	Feb 17	Gen 50	Lu 3	Mar 17	Ex 28	John 7
Jan 18	Gen 19	Matt 18	Feb 18	Ex1	Lu 4	Mar 18	Ex 29	John 8
Jan 19	Gen 20	Matt 19	Feb 19	Ex 2	Lu 5	Mar 19	Ex 30	John 9
Jan 20	Gen 21	Matt 20	Feb 20	Ex 3	Lu 6	Mar 20	Ex 31	John 10
Jan 21	Gen 22	Matt 21	Feb 21	Ex 4	Lu 7	Mar 21	Ex 32	John 11
Jan 22	Gen 23	Matt 22	Feb 22	Ex 5	Lu 8	Mar 22	Ex 33	John 12
Jan 23	Gen 24	Matt 23	Feb 23	Ex 6	Lu 9	Mar 23	Ex 34	John 13
Jan 24	Gen 25	Matt 24	Feb 24	Ex 7	Lu 10	Mar 24	Ex 35	John 14
Jan 25	Gen 26	Matt 25	Feb 25	Ex 8	Lu 11	Mar 25	Ex 36	John 15
Jan 26	Gen 27	Matt 26	Feb 26	Ex 9	Lu 12	Mar 26	Ex 37	John 16
Jan 27	Gen 28	Matt 27	Feb 27	Ex 10	Lu 13	Mar 27	Ex 38	John 17
Jan 28	Gen 29	Matt 28	Feb 28	Ex 11:1-12:20	Lu 14	Mar 28	Ex 39	John 18
Jan 29	Gen 30	Mark 1				Mar 29	Ex 40	John 19
Jan 30	Gen 31	Mark 2				Mar 30	Lev 1	John 20
Jan 31	Gen 32	Mark 3				Mar 31	Lev 2-3	John 21

APRIL			MAY			JUNE		
Apr 01	Lev 4	Ps 1-2	May 01	Num 8	Ps 44	Jun 01	Deut 5	Ps 88
Apr 02	Lev 5	Ps 3-4	May 02	Num 9	Ps 45	Jun 02	Deut 6	Ps 89
Apr 03	Lev 6	Ps 5-6	May 03	Num 10	Ps 46-47	Jun 03	Deut 7	Ps 90
Apr 04	Lev 7	Ps 7-8	May 04	Num 11	Ps 48	Jun 04	Deut 8	Ps 91
Apr 05	Lev 8	Ps 9	May 05	Num 12-13	Ps 49	Jun 05	Deut 9	Ps 92-93
Apr 06	Lev 9	Ps 10	May 06	Num 14	Ps 50	Jun 06	Deut 10	Ps 94
Apr 07	Lev 10	Ps 11-12	May 07	Num 15	Ps 51	Jun 07	Deut 11	Ps 95-96
Apr 08	Lev 11-12	Ps 13-14	May 08	Num 16	Ps 52-54	Jun 08	Deut 12	Ps 97-98
Apr 09	Lev 13	Ps 15-16	May 09	Num 17-18	Ps 55	Jun 09	Deut 13-14	Ps 99-101
Apr 10	Lev 14	Ps 17	May 10	Num 19	Ps 56-57	Jun 10	Deut 15	Ps 102
Apr 11	Lev 15	Ps 18	May 11	Num 20	Ps 58-59	Jun 11	Deut 16	Ps 103
Apr 12	Lev 16	Ps 19	May 12	Num 21	Ps 60-61	Jun 12	Deut 17	Ps 104
Apr 13	Lev 17	Ps 20-21	May 13	Num 22	Ps 62-63	Jun 13	Deut 18	Ps 105
Apr 14	Lev 18	Ps 22	May 14	Num 23	Ps 64-65	Jun 14	Deut 19	Ps 106
Apr 15	Lev 19	Ps 23-24	May 15	Num 24	Ps 66-67	Jun 15	Deut 20	Ps 107
Apr 16	Lev 20	Ps 25	May 16	Num 25	Ps 68	Jun 16	Deut 21	Ps 108-109
Apr 17	Lev 21	Ps 26-27	May 17	Num 26	Ps 69	Jun 17	Deut 22	Ps 110-111
Apr 18	Lev 22	Ps 28-29	May 18	Num 27	Ps 70-71	Jun 18	Deut 23	Ps 112-113
Apr 19	Lev 23	Ps 30	May 19	Num 28	Ps 72	Jun 19	Deut 24	Ps 114-115
Apr 20	Lev 24	Ps 31	May 20	Num 29	Ps 73	Jun 20	Deut 25	Ps 116
Apr 21	Lev 25	Ps 32	May 21	Num 30	Ps 74	Jun 21	Deut 26	Ps 117-118
Apr 22	Lev 26	Ps 33	May 22	Num 31	Ps 75-76	Jun 22	Deut 27:1-28:19	Ps 119:1-24
Apr 23	Lev 27	Ps 34	May 23	Num 32	Ps 77	Jun 23	Deut 28:20-68	Ps 119:25-48
Apr 24	Num 1	Ps 35	May 24	Num 33	Ps 78:1-39	Jun 24	Deut 29	Ps 119:49-72
Apr 25	Num 2	Ps 36	May 25	Num 34	Ps 78:40-72	Jun 25	Deut 30	Ps 119:73-96
Apr 26	Num 3	Ps 37	May 26	Num 35	Ps 79	Jun 26	Deut 31	Ps 119:97-120
Apr 27	Num 4	Ps 38	May 27	Num 36	Ps 80	Jun 27	Deut 32	Ps 119:121-144
Apr 28	Num 5	Ps 39	May 28	Deut 1	Ps 81-82	Jun 28	Deut 33-34	Ps 119:145-176
Apr 29	Num 6	Ps 40-41	May 29	Deut 2	Ps 83-84	Jun 29	Josh 1	Ps 120-122
Apr 30	Num 7	Ps 42-43	May 30	Deut 3	Ps 85	Jun 30	Josh 2	Ps 123-125
			May 31	Deut 4	Ps 86-87			

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Sep 25	2 Sam 21	Gal 1
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Oct 01	1 Ki 3	Eph 1	Nov 01	2 Ki 14	2 Tim 4
Oct 02	1 Ki 4-5	Eph 2	Nov 02	2 Ki 15	Titus 1
Oct 03	1 Ki 6	Eph 3	Nov 03	2 Ki 16	Titus 2
Oct 04	1 Ki 7	Eph 4	Nov 04	2 Ki 17	Titus 3
Oct 05	1 Ki 8	Eph 5	Nov 05	2 Ki 18	Philem
Oct 06	1 Ki 9	Eph 6	Nov 06	2 Ki 19	Heb 1
Oct 07	1 Ki 10	Phil 1	Nov 07	2 Ki 20	Heb 2
Oct 08	1 Ki 11	Phil 2	Nov 08	2 Ki 21	Heb 3
Oct 09	1 Ki 12	Phil 3	Nov 09	2 Ki 22	Heb 4
Oct 10	1 Ki 13	Phil 4	Nov 10	2 Ki 23	Heb 5
Oct 11	1 Ki 14	Col 1	Nov 11	2 Ki 24	Heb 6
Oct 12	1 Ki 15	Col 2	Nov 12	2 Ki 25	Heb 7
Oct 13	1 Ki 16	Col 3	Nov 13	1 Chr 1-2	Heb 8
Oct 14	1 Ki 17	Col 4	Nov 14	1 Chr 3-4	Heb 9
Oct 15	1 Ki 18	1 Thess 1	Nov 15	1 Chr 5-6	Heb 10
Oct 16	1 Ki 19	1 Thess 2	Nov 16	1 Chr 7-8	Heb 11
Oct 17	1 Ki 20	1 Thess 3	Nov 17	1 Chr 9-10	Heb 12
Oct 18	1 Ki 21	1 Thess 4	Nov 18	1 Chr 11-12	Heb 13
Oct 19	1 Ki 22	1 Thess 5	Nov 19	1 Chr 13-14	James 1
Oct 20	2 Ki 1	2 Thess 1	Nov 20	1 Chr 15	James 2
Oct 21	2 Ki 2	2 Thess 2	Nov 21	1 Chr 16	James 3
Oct 22	2 Ki 3	2 Thess 3	Nov 22	1 Chr 17	James 4
Oct 23	2 Ki 4	1 Tim 1	Nov 23	1 Chr 18	James 5
Oct 24	2 Ki 5	1 Tim 2	Nov 24	1 Chr 19-20	1 Peter 1
Oct 25	2 Ki 6	1 Tim 3	Nov 25	1 Chr 21	1 Peter 2
Oct 26	2 Ki 7	1 Tim 4	Nov 26	1 Chr 22	1 Peter 3
Oct 27	2 Ki 8	1 Tim 5	Nov 27	1 Chr 23	1 Peter 4
Oct 28	2 Ki 9	1 Tim 6	Nov 28	1 Chr 24-25	1 Peter 5

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1 Chr 28

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Dec 01	1 Chr 29	2 Peter 3
Dec 02	1 Chr 1	1 John 1
Dec 03	1 Chr 2	1 John 2
Dec 04	1 Chr 3-4	1 John 3
Dec 05	1 Chr 5:1-6:11	1 John 4
Dec 06	1 Chr 6:12-42	1 John 5
Dec 07	1 Chr 7	2 John
Dec 08	1 Chr 8	3 John
Dec 09	1 Chr 9	Jude
Dec 10	1 Chr 10	Rev 1
Dec 11	1 Chr 11-12	Rev 2
Dec 12	1 Chr 13	Rev 3
Dec 13	1 Chr 14-15	Rev 4
Dec 14	1 Chr 16	Rev 5
Dec 15	1 Chr 17	Rev 6
Dec 16	1 Chr 18	Rev 7
Dec 17	1 Chr 19-20	Rev 8
Dec 18	1 Chr 21	Rev 9
Dec 19	1 Chr 22-23	Rev 10
Dec 20	1 Chr 24	Rev 11
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Dec 28	1 Chr 33	Rev 19
Dec 29	1 Chr 34	Rev 20
Dec 30	1 Chr 35	Rev 21
Dec 31	1 Chr 36	Rev 22

SOME SAMPLE PRAYERS

Changeless God, as I read your Word, would you please make yourself known to me. Amen

Searcher of hearts, as I come to your Word, would you please form your mind and your heart in me. I want to think about things the way you think about things. I want to feel about things the way you feel about things. And I want to respond to things the way you would have me respond to things. So God, I ask for your help now through your Word. Amen

Father in heaven, as I read your Word, please "open my eyes, that I may behold wondrous things out of your law." Psalm 119:18

Holy father, my heart is not inclined to your Word this morning. Oh God, please "incline my heart to your testimonies, and not to selfish gain." Psalm 119:36

"Make me to know your ways, O Lord; teach me your paths. Lead me in your truth and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation; for you I wait all the day long." Psalm 25:4-5

God of grace, "please show me now your ways, that I may know you." Exodus 33:13

"Search me, O God, and know my heart! Try me and know my thoughts! And see if there be any grievous way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting!" Psalm 139:23-24

Oh Father, would you out of the riches of your glory strengthen me with power by your Spirit in my inner man so that, as I read your Word, Christ might dwell in my heart by faith and I might be rooted and grounded in His love, and, in fact, know His love for me today. Ephesians 3:16-19

Oh God, my God, "satisfy me again this morning with your steadfast love, that I may rejoice and be glad all day long." Psalm 90:14

"Speak Lord, for your servant hears." 1 Samuel 3:10

FAVORITE QUOTES

"When you read or hear [the Word of God], reflect on yourselves as you go along, comparing yourselves and your own ways with what you read or hear. Reflect and consider what agreement or disagreement there is between the word and your ways."

Jonathan Edwards

The Works of Jonathan Edwards, vol. 2, p. 177

"For it is by meditation that we ransack our deep and false hearts, find out our secret enemies, come to grips with them, expel them, and arm ourselves against their re-entrance. By meditation we make use of all good means, fit ourselves for all good duties. By meditation we see our weaknesses, obtain redress, prevent temptations, cheer up our loneliness, temper our occasions of delight, get more light unto our knowledge, add more heat to our affections, put more life into our devotions."

Bishop Joseph Hall

The Art of Meditation, Christian Life Classics, vol. 3, p. 427

"If I have observed anything by experience, it is this: a man may take the measure of his growth and decay in grace according to his thoughts and meditations upon the person of Christ, and the glory of Christ's Kingdom, and of His love."

John Owen

A Puritan Golden Treasury ed. by I.D.E. Thomas, p. 184

QUESTIONS TO PROMOTE APPLICATION LOOK FOR:

- commands to obey
- examples to follow
- promises to claim
- invitations to worship
- man's need for a Savior
- truth to believe
- sins to forsake
- principles to live by
- God's disposition to provide a Savior