

BIBLE READING

Because of the importance of seeking to know *all* of what God has revealed to us, we encourage our members to read the entire the Bible. A variety of helpful plans for reading the Bible can be found online to assist one in doing this.

For those new to the Bible, we recommend using an abridged survey plan we've developed, which can be found below. Using this plan, you will be guided through the key movements of scripture and encounter some of the Bible's central texts.

ABRIDGED SURVEY BIBLE READING PLAN

Creation	Gen 1-2
The fall	Gen 3
The flood and the Noahic Covenant	Gen 6:9-9:17
The disobedience at Babel	Gen 11:1-9
The Abrahamic Covenant and the patriarchs of Israel	Gen 12:1-9; 15; 17; 22
The Exodus	(Gen 46:2-7) Ex 1:8-14; 6:1-13; 11:1-12:32, 50-51; 14:1-31
Mt. Sinai, the Mosaic Covenant, and the Ten Commandments	Ex 19:1-9; 20:1-17; Deut 28
The wilderness wanderings	Num 13-14:38
Entering into the Promised Land	Ex 23:20-33; Num 33:50-56; Josh 24:1-28
Life under the judges	Jud 2:6-23; 21:25
The emergence of a monarchy	1 Sam 8:1-22; 10:1
The Davidic Covenant	2 Sam 7:1-17; 1 Kgs 12:1-20
The building and dedication of the temple	1 Kgs 6:1, 11-13; 8:12-66
Wisdom	Job 1:1-22; 38:1-42:6; Prov 8:1-26; Ecc 1:1-11; 12:13-14
Songs (select samples)	Ps 1; 2; 19; 23; 42; 110; 145
The division of the kingdom	1 Kgs 11:42-12:24
The northern kingdom (aka, Israel) is conquered and exiled	2 Kgs 17:6-23
The southern kingdom (aka, Judah) is conquered and exiled	2 Kgs 25:1-30
The prophet's message of judgment and repentance	Joel 1:1-17; Amos 5:1-27
The prophets message of hope (key texts)	Jer 23:5-6; 31:31-34; Ezek 36:22-38; Ezek 37:1-28; Isa 9:2-7; 52:13-53:12; Dan 7:1-28; Joel 2:28-32
Return from exile	Ezra 3:10-13; Neh 1:1-11; 9:32-37
Jesus' birth	Mt 1:18-25; Lk 2:1-21
Jesus' teaching	Mt 5-7
Jesus' death	Jn 19:1-42
Jesus' resurrection and ascension	Lk 24:1-53
The church on mission and the outpouring of the Spirit	Mt 28:18-20; Acts 1:8; 2:1-41
The New Testament epistles (key texts)	Rom 3:21-26; 5:12-19; 6:1-23; 8:28-39; 12:1-2; 1 Cor 15:1-58; Gal 2:15-21; 5:16-26; Eph 2:1-22; Col 3:1-11; Heb 9:1-10:25; Js 2:14-26
The return of Christ and the new creation	Rev 20:11-22:21