READING THE BIBLE ON YOUR OWN: SOME RESOURCES

APPS:



YouVersion Bible App

Lots of content including audio bibles, reading plans, devotional materials, art

Partners with other groups so pulls in content from other places too.





Pray As You Go - Daily Prayer

A mixture of music, scripture, and commentary from a group of Jesuits.

Reflective and meditative and a good way to pray!

Lasts between 10-13 minutes.





Daily Prayer (from the C of E)

A Psalm, Old Testament, and New Testament reading wrapped up in other prayers (which are usually Scripture!).

Short passages of Scripture that take you through a couple of books.



Disciplines

Offers in-app purchases

This app is compatible with your device.

Stacy Gaither News & Magazines PEGI 3

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Disciplines

Meditations by a single author on a particular weekly theme focused on specific scripture texts, in a rhythm based on the yearly flow of holy seasons and ordinary



Explore Bible Devotional The Good Book Company Lifestyle E PEGI 3

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Explore Bible Devotional

Contains daily Bible readings with questions to help you engage with the Bible text, comment to get you thinking, and ideas for further reading, prayer and application. Contains a free 28-day introduction after which you can choose to pay.



Read Scripture Crazy Love Ministries Books & Reference

6 This app is compatible with your device

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Read Scripture

A Bible reading plan with videos to help explain from the Bible Project. Takes you through the Bible in one year so guite a big ask!



Bible in One Year

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Bible in One Year

A Psalm or Proverbs reading, a New Testament, and an Old Testament reading. Updated daily with commentary to help understand the text. It now has three different styles: Classic, Youth, and Express.



Navigators Bible Reading Plans

https://www.navigators.org/resource/bible-reading-plans/

Plans for downloading the Bible in one year, either book by book or with a few books at a time. A good way to challenge yourself and they can be adapted if the Bible in one year is a bit too much.



Lectio 365

24-7 Prayer Lifestyle € Everyone

This app is available for your device

Lectio 365

A daily devotional resource that helps you pray the Bible every day. Written by leaders from the 24-7 Prayer movement, this resource helps you engage with the word, fix your eyes on Jesus, and connect with God in prayer.



Lectio for Families

24-7 Prayer Lifestyle

1 This app is available for your device

Lectio for Families

A daily, devotional resource to help you read the Bible and explore faith through conversation and prayer as a whole family together. It lasts 5-10 minutes and includes a memory verse, a short Bible passage to read and reflect on, a question to discuss as a family together and simple prompts for prayer.

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PRINTED:

If you prefer printed resources, check out eden.co.uk for:

- Bible Notes A short reading, reflection / explanation and prayer for each day. There are lots of different notes to try e.g. Explore, Daily Bread, Life Everyday, Inspiring Women, Word4u today.
- Commentaries These are often more in depth but useful if you want something deeper. Best for Old Testament is John Goldingay and Tom Wright's Matthew...for everyone series are short and accessible for every book of the New Testament.
- Devotional books There are a huge range of books which have readings, devotions and reflections for a season or year.
- Rooted A box of devotional resources which is delivered every 2 months. It includes welcome card, 2 X
 Thought cards and a mix of bespoke items ranging from journals, stickers, postcards, canvas bags and
 magnets. For more information go to https://www.biblesociety.org.uk/get-involved/rooted/

You can also buy resources from the Christian Resources shop in town: it is right next to the cathedral.

FAMILIES:

Why not take 10 mins at the end of a meal or over breakfast and explore one of these together...

- Jesus Storybook Bible Bible stories with beautiful pictures and all show the link to God's bigger picture too.
- My First Message Bible Story followed by a question and prayer. Easy to pick up and use each day.
- Bible podlets Podcasts which come with discussion sheets if you'd like. These are about 15/20 mins long
 and could be listened to as a family on a car journey or after a meal:
 bdeducation.org.uk/podcasts/bible-podlets/
- Table talk Short 5 minute Bible readings, thoughts and prayers to be used by the whole family. Suitable for those in primary school.
- Bible Project Videos 5 minute videos looking at different aspects of God's character. These could be watched together as a family and then discussed. https://bibleproject.com
- Tiny Truths Bible downloadable colouring sheets with questions. https://tinytruthsbible.com/bible-worksheets
- Lectio for Families App mentioned above.

OTHER WAYS TO READ THE BIBLE:

- Luther:
 - O What is the text saying?
 - o What is there to praise and thank God for from the text?
 - o What is there to repent and confess before God from the text?
 - o What shall I ask God for from the text, for myself and others?
 - Pray the Lord's prayer in own words and with own emphasis.
 - Pray from the heart.
- Anon; Is there any...for me to...
 - o Example to follow.
 - Command to obey.
 - o Error to avoid.
 - o Sin to forsake.
 - o Promise to claim.
 - New thought about God?
 - Read a short passage of Scripture and then:
 - See what short section (e.g. half a verse, single word or thought) jumps out at you.
 - o Ask God *why* he has revealed this to you.
 - o Ask God what he is calling you to *do* today as a result.
 - Take action!

to ask about (almost!) any bit of the Bible Four Questions

1. What does it tell me about God?

What can I see of God's actions? What can I see of God's character?

2. What does it tell me about people (and myself)?

What can I see of human sinfulness? What can I see of human goodness?

3. How should I relate to God?

Do I need to confess anything before God? Can I praise God because of these truths?

4. How should I relate to people? Am I prompted to better serve and love others? Is there a truth I need to try to share with others?

Bible Treasure Hunting

Can I find in this passage...

- a command to live out? a promise to believe?
- a warning to heed?
- an example to follow (or avoid!)?



to use with (almost!) any bit of the Bible Five Pictures



strikes you? Think about what it means and why these words are special for you for you? Is there one word or phrase that really LIGHTBULB: what shines out of this passage

as considering where you could look for more help any questions for you? What troubles you or confuses you? Pray about these questions, as well QUESTION MARK: Does this passage raise



why we need him so much? Does it point his life, death or resurrection? Or does it show forwards to his eternal kingdom coming? CROSS: How does this passage point us to Jesus? Does it tell us directly about his identity

speaks into? Is there a habit you want to change passage into your life? Is there a situation that it Christian life? as a result? Does this passage give you tools for ARROW: What will you take forward from this





someone else? Who else might need to be encouraged with the truths you've found here? from this passage that you'd like to share with SPEECH BUBBLE: What have you learnt When might you have chance to share it?

READING THE BIBLE IN A YEAR (A REAL CHALLENGE!)

52 Week Bible Reading Plan

	Enistles	The Len		Psalms		1	Cospels
Wash	Epistles (Sunday)	The Law	History (Tuesday)		Poetry	Prophecy	Gospels (Saturday)
Week 1	(Sunday)	(Monday) Gen 1-3	(Tuesday) Josh 1-5	(Wednesday) Ps 1-2	(Thursday) Job 1-2	(Friday)	(Saturday) Matt 1-2
2	Rom 1-2			Ps 1-2 Ps 3-5		☐ Isa 1-6	
3	Rom 3-4	Gen 4-7	Josh 6-10		☐ Job 3-4	☐ Isa 7-11	
4	Rom 5-6	Gen 8-11	Josh 11-15	□ Ps 6-8	☐ Job 5-6	☐ Isa 12-17	☐ Matt 5-7
5	Rom 7-8	Gen 12-15	Josh 16-20	□ Ps 9-11	☐ Job 7-8	☐ Isa 18-22	Matt 8-10
6	Rom 9-10	Gen 16-19	Josh 21-24	Ps 12-14	☐ Job 9-10	☐ Isa 23-28	Matt 11-13
7	Rom 11-12	Gen 20-23	☐ Judg 1-6	□ Ps 15-17	☐ Job 11-12	☐ Isa 29-33	Matt 14-16
8	Rom 13-14	Gen 24-27	☐ Judg 7-11	Ps 18-20	☐ Job 13-14	☐ Isa 34-39	Matt 17-19
9	Rom 15-16	Gen 28-31	☐ Judg 12-16	Ps 21-23	☐ Job 15-16	☐ Isa 40-44	Matt 20-22
10	1Cor 1-2	Gen 32-35	☐ Judg 17-21	Ps 24-26	Job 17-18	☐ Isa 45-50	Matt 23-25
11	1Cor 3-4	Gen 36-39	Ruth	Ps 27-29	Job 19-20	☐ Isa 51-55	Matt 26-28
12	1Cor 5-6	Gen 40-43	☐ 1Sam 1-5	Ps 30-32	Job 21-22	☐ Isa 56-61	☐ Mark 1-2
13	1Cor 7-8	Gen 44-47	☐ 1Sam 6-10	Ps 33-35	☐ Job 23-24	☐ Isa 62-66	Mark 3-4
	1Cor 9-10	Gen 48-50	☐ 1Sam 11-15	Ps 36-38	☐ Job 25-26	☐ Jer 1-6	☐ Mark 5-6
14	1Cor 11-12	□ Ex 1-4	☐ 1Sam 16-20	Ps 39-41	☐ Job 27-28	☐ Jer 7-11	☐ Mark 7-8
15	1Cor 13-14	□ Ex 5-8	☐ 1Sam 21-25	□ Ps 42-44	☐ Job 29-30	☐ Jer 12-16	☐ Mark 9-10
16	1Cor 15-16	□ Ex 9-12	☐ 1Sam 26-31	□ Ps 45-47	☐ Job 31-32	☐ Jer 17-21	☐ Mark 11-12
17	2Cor 1-3	Ex 13-16	2Sam 1-4	□ Ps 48-50	☐ Job 33-34	☐ Jer 22-26	☐ Mark 13-14
18 19	2Cor 4-5	Ex 17-20	2Sam 5-9	Ps 51-53	☐ Job 35-36	☐ Jer 27-31	☐ Mark 15-16
	2Cor 6-8	□ Ex 21-24	2Sam 10-14	Ps 54-56	☐ Job 37-38	☐ Jer 32-36	Luke 1-2
20	2Cor 9-10	Ex 25-28	2Sam 15-19	Ps 57-59	Job 39-40	☐ Jer 37-41	Luke 3-4
21	2Cor 11-13	Ex 29-32	2Sam 20-24	Ps 60-62	☐ Job 41-42	☐ Jer 42-46	Luke 5-6
22	Gal 1-3	Ex 33-36	☐ 1Ki 1-4	Ps 63-65	Prov 1	☐ Jer 47-52	☐ Luke 7-8
	Gal 4-6	Ex 37-40	☐ 1Ki 5-9	Ps 66-68	□ Prov 2-3	Lamentations	Luke 9-10
24 25	□ Eph 1-3	Lev 1-3	☐ 1Ki 10-13	Ps 69-71	Prov 4	☐ Ezek 1-6	Luke 11-12
26	Eph 4-6	Lev 4-6	☐ 1Ki 14-18	Ps 72-74	□ Prov 5-6	Ezek 7-12	Luke 13-14
27	Phil 1-2	Lev 7-9	☐ 1Ki 19-22	Ps 75-77	Prov 7	Ezek 13-18	Luke 15-16
28	Phil 3-4	Lev 10-12	☐ 2Ki 1-5	Ps 78-80	Prov 8-9	Ezek 19-24	Luke 17-18
29	Col 1-2	Lev 13-15	☐ 2Ki 6-10	Ps 81-83	Prov 10	Ezek 25-30	Luke 19-20
30	Col 3-4	Lev 16-18	☐ 2Ki 11-15	Ps 84-86	Prov 11-12	Ezek 31-36	Luke 21-22
31	1Thes 1-3	Lev 19-21	☐ 2Ki 16-20	Ps 87-89	□ Prov 13	Ezek 37-42	☐ Luke 23-24 ☐ John 1-2
32	1Thes 4-5	Lev 22-24	☐ 2Ki 21-25	Ps 90-92	Prov 14-15	☐ Ezek 43-48	
33	2Thes	Lev 25-27	1Chr 1-4	Ps 93-95	Prov 16	Dan 1-6	☐ John 3-4
34	1Tim 1-3	□ Num 1-4	1Chr 5-9	Ps 96-98	Prov 17-18	Dan 7-12	☐ John 5-6
35	1Tim 4-6	□ Num 5-8	1Chr 10-14	Ps 99-101	Prov 19	Hosea 1-7	☐ John 7-9
36	2Tim 1-2	Num 9-12	1Chr 15-19	Ps 102-104	Prov 20-21	Hosea 8-14	☐ John 10-12
37	2Tim 3-4	☐ Num 13-16 ☐ Num 17-20	☐ 1Chr 20-24 ☐ 1Chr 25-29	Ps 105-107	Prov 22	Joel	☐ John 13-15
38	☐ Titus	□ Num 17-20 □ Num 21-24	2Chr 1-5	☐ Ps 108-110 ☐ Ps 111-113	Prov 23-24	Amos 1-4	☐ John 16-18
39	Philemon		2Chr 1-5 2Chr 6-10			Amos 5-9	☐ John 19-21
40	☐ Heb 1-4	Num 25-28		Ps 114-116	Prov 26-27	Obadiah	Acts 1-2
41	Heb 5-7	Num 29-32	☐ 2Chr 11-15 ☐ 2Chr 16-20	Ps 117-118	Prov 28	☐ Jonah ☐ Micah	Acts 3-4
42	☐ Heb 8-10 ☐ Heb 11-13	☐ Num 33-36 ☐ Deut 1-3	2Chr 16-20 2Chr 21-24	☐ Ps 119 ☐ Ps 120-121	Prov 29-30	☐ Mican ☐ Nahum	Acts 5-6
43	☐ James 1-3	☐ Deut 1-3	_	Ps 120-121 Ps 122-124	☐ Prov 31 ☐ Eccl 1-2		☐ Acts 7-8 ☐ Acts 9-10
44	James 1-3 James 4-5	☐ Deut 4-6 ☐ Deut 7-9	☐ 2Chr 25-28 ☐ 2Chr 29-32	Ps 122-124 Ps 125-127	☐ Eccl 1-2	☐ Habakkuk ☐ Zephaniah	Acts 9-10 Acts 11-12
45	☐ 1Pet 1-3	Deut 10-12	2Chr 29-32 2Chr 33-36	Ps 123-127 Ps 128-130	☐ Eccl 5-4	☐ Haggai	Acts 11-12 Acts 13-14
46	☐ 1Pet 1-3 ☐ 1Pet 4-5	Deut 10-12 Deut 13-15	☐ Ezra 1-5	Ps 128-130 Ps 131-133	☐ Eccl 5-6	Zechariah 1-7	Acts 13-14 Acts 15-16
47	_	Deut 13-15 Deut 16-19	Ezra 1-5 Ezra 6-10		☐ Eccl 7-8	Zechariah 8-14	Acts 15-16 Acts 17-18
48	2Pet			☐ Ps 134-136 ☐ Ps 137-139	☐ Eccl 9-10		Acts 17-18 Acts 19-20
49	☐ 1John 1-3 ☐ 1John 4-5	☐ Deut 20-22 ☐ Deut 23-25	☐ Neh 1-4 ☐ Neh 5-9	Ps 137-139 Ps 140-142	Song 1-2	☐ Malachi ☐ Rev 1-6	Acts 19-20 Acts 21-22
50	☐ 2John	Deut 26-28	Neh 10-13	Ps 140-142 Ps 143-145	Song 3-4	Rev 1-6 Rev 7-11	
51	3John	Deut 29-31	☐ Esther 1-5	Ps 143-145 Ps 146-148	Song 5-6	Rev 7-11 Rev 12-17	Acts 23-24 Acts 25-26
52	Jude	Deut 29-31 Deut 32-34		Ps 140-148 Ps 149-150			
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