

Winter Bible Reading Challenge

We need to be taking in the Word of God regularly, but sometimes we need help deciding what to read. This is a reading plan that will help you go through these main themes of the whole bible. The themes are listed as Acts 1-5 much like you might find in a theatrical production (a play). There is much more to the bible, but this will help you regain an appreciation for the whole of scripture again as your heart is challenged in many different topics. If you read daily beginning tomorrow, then you will finish about 1 week before your spring break and just a few days before we wrap up this challenge at Wacky Wednesday on March 12. So the challenge is...

**Read this entire overview of the bible along with the daily requirements.
Finish by Wednesday, March 12.**

Requirements each day:

1. Read the passage(s)
2. Write a brief summary or reaction to what you read
3. Spend a few minutes in prayer talking to God

If you miss days:

Then you need to make those days up at another time by doing the reading and the requirements for each day missed. [Example: You missed 2 days. To make them up you must read the passages indicated for those days, write your summary or reaction for each day's reading and pray for a few minutes for each missed day (3 minutes or more per day missed).] The idea is to do this **EACH DAY**, but you can still complete the challenge and get credit if you get through all the readings, writing and prayer times required by Wed. March 12.

The Reward:

If at least 75% of the group makes it through the challenge, we will have a massive PIZZA and REWARD party on Wednesday, March 26. (The first Wacky Wednesday after your spring break). Only those who complete the challenge will be eligible to receive REWARDS that night.

Bible Overview Reading Plan

<p>Act 1: Creation</p> <p>01 <input type="checkbox"/> The creation: Genesis 1; 2:1-3</p> <p>02 <input type="checkbox"/> Praise God for his creation: Psalm 8</p> <p>03 <input type="checkbox"/> Praise to the Creator of all things: Psalm 104</p> <p>04 <input type="checkbox"/> Praise for creating me: Psalm 139</p> <p>Act 2: The Fall</p> <p>05 <input type="checkbox"/> The fall into sin: Genesis 3</p> <p>06 <input type="checkbox"/> Noah, the flood and the ark: Genesis 6, 7, 8, 9:1-17</p> <p>07 <input type="checkbox"/> A prayer of repentance: Psalm 51</p> <p>08 <input type="checkbox"/> No one is righteous: Romans 3:9-26</p> <p>Act 3: Israel</p> <p>09 <input type="checkbox"/> God's covenant with Abraham: Genesis 12:1-9, 15:1-21</p> <p>10 <input type="checkbox"/> Abraham almost sacrifices his son Isaac: Genesis 22:1-19</p> <p>11 <input type="checkbox"/> Jacob receives his father's blessing: Genesis 27:1-40</p> <p>12 <input type="checkbox"/> Jacob's (Israel's) family: Genesis 29:16-35, 30:1-24</p> <p>13 <input type="checkbox"/> Joseph the dreamer: Genesis 37:2-36 (not required - ch. 39-50)</p> <p>14 <input type="checkbox"/> Moses is born in Egypt: Exodus 1; 2:1-10</p> <p>15 <input type="checkbox"/> Ten plagues: Exodus 7:14-24; 8; 9; 10; 11:1-10</p> <p>16 <input type="checkbox"/> The Passover: Exodus 12:1-17</p> <p>17 <input type="checkbox"/> The Israelites leave Egypt: Exodus 12:17-50; 13; 14; 15:1-21</p> <p>18 <input type="checkbox"/> God's covenant with Israel: Exodus 19; 20</p> <p>19 <input type="checkbox"/> Rahab the prostitute hides the Israelite spies: Joshua 2</p> <p>20 <input type="checkbox"/> God keep his promise: Joshua 23; 24</p> <p>21 <input type="checkbox"/> David kills Goliath: 1 Samuel 17</p> <p>22 <input type="checkbox"/> David becomes king: 2 Samuel 5:1-5</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> God's promise to David: 2 Samuel 7</p> <p>23 <input type="checkbox"/> David and Bathsheba: 2 Samuel 11; 12:1-25</p> <p>24 <input type="checkbox"/> The Lord is my shepherd: Psalm 23</p> <p>25 <input type="checkbox"/> A prayer of thanksgiving: Psalm 100</p> <p>26 <input type="checkbox"/> Israel sent into exile: 2 Chronicles 36:15-23</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Queen Esther saves her people: Esther 1</p> <p>27 <input type="checkbox"/> Messiah's birth prophesied: Isaiah 9:1-7</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> God's promise to return: Isaiah 52:1-12</p> <p>28 <input type="checkbox"/> Daniel's dream of God's kingdom: Daniel 7</p>	<p>Act 4: Jesus</p> <p>29 <input type="checkbox"/> The birth of Jesus: Luke 1; 2</p> <p>30 <input type="checkbox"/> The temptation of Jesus: Matthew 4:1-11; Luke 4:1-13</p> <p>31 <input type="checkbox"/> The Sermon on the Mount: Matthew 5; 6</p> <p>32 <input type="checkbox"/> Jesus shares his calling with the people: Luke 4:16-30</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Jesus' teaching on prayer: Luke 11:1-13</p> <p>33 <input type="checkbox"/> The lost son: Luke 15</p> <p>34 <input type="checkbox"/> New birth: John 3</p> <p>35 <input type="checkbox"/> Jesus is the resurrection and the life: John 11</p> <p>36 <input type="checkbox"/> Three prayers of Jesus: John 17</p> <p>37 <input type="checkbox"/> The Lord's Supper: Luke 22:7-38; 1 Corinthians 11:17-34</p> <p>38 <input type="checkbox"/> The death of Jesus: Luke 23:26-56; John 19:16-42</p> <p>39 <input type="checkbox"/> The resurrection of Jesus: Luke 24; John 20</p> <p>40 <input type="checkbox"/> Jesus ascends into heaven: Acts 1:1-11</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> The Great Commission from Jesus: Matthew 28:16-20</p> <p>Act 5: The New People of God</p> <p>41 <input type="checkbox"/> The coming of the Holy Spirit: Acts 2:1-21</p> <p>42 <input type="checkbox"/> "Repent and be baptized": Acts 2:22-47</p> <p>43 <input type="checkbox"/> Jesus, the fulfillment of Abraham's covenant: Acts 3</p> <p>44 <input type="checkbox"/> Salvation in Jesus alone: Acts 4</p> <p>45 <input type="checkbox"/> Paul's conversion: Acts 9:1-31</p> <p>46 <input type="checkbox"/> Paul's testimony before King Agrippa: Acts 25:23-27; 26:1-32</p> <p>47 <input type="checkbox"/> What real love is: 1 Corinthians 13</p> <p>48 <input type="checkbox"/> The fruit of the Holy Spirit: Galatians 5:22-23</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> The armor of God: Ephesians 6:10-18</p> <p>49 <input type="checkbox"/> Imitating Christ: Philippians 2:1-11</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Faith in action: James 2:14-26</p> <p>50 <input type="checkbox"/> Heroes of the faith: Hebrews 11</p> <p>51 <input type="checkbox"/> The return of Christ: 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18; 2 Peter 3:3-14</p> <p>52 <input type="checkbox"/> The new heaven and earth: Revelation 21; 22</p>
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Act 1: Creation

01 The creation: [Genesis 1; 2:1-3](#) Summary or Reaction Prayer

02 Praise God for his creation: [Psalm 8](#) Summary or Reaction Prayer

03 Praise to the Creator of all things: [Psalm 104](#) Summary or Reaction Prayer

04 Praise for creating me: [Psalm 139](#) Summary or Reaction Prayer

Act 2: The Fall

05 The fall into sin: [Genesis 3](#) Summary or Reaction Prayer

06 Noah, the flood and the ark: [Genesis 6, 7, 8, 9:1-17](#) Summary or Reaction Prayer

07 A prayer of repentance: [Psalm 51](#) Summary or Reaction Prayer

08 No one is righteous: [Romans 3:9-26](#) Summary or Reaction Prayer

Act 3: Israel

09 God's covenant with Abraham: Genesis [12:1-9](#), [15:1-21](#) Summary or Reaction Prayer

10 Abraham almost sacrifices his son Isaac: [Genesis 22:1-19](#) Summary or Reaction Prayer

11 Jacob receives his father's blessing: [Genesis 27:1-40](#) Summary or Reaction Prayer

Act 3: Israel (continued)

12 Jacob's (Israel's) family: [Genesis 29:16-35](#), [30:1-24](#) Summary or Reaction Prayer

13 Joseph the dreamer: [Genesis 37:2-36](#) (not required - ch. 39-50) Summary or Reaction Prayer

14 Moses is born in Egypt: [Exodus 1; 2:1-10](#) Summary or Reaction Prayer

15 Ten plagues: Exodus [7:14-24](#); [8; 9; 10; 11:1-10](#) Summary or Reaction Prayer

16 The Passover: Exodus [12:1-17](#) Summary or Reaction Prayer

17 The Israelites leave Egypt: [Exodus 12:17-50; 13; 14; 15:1-21](#) Summary or Reaction Prayer

18 God's covenant with Israel: [Exodus 19; 20](#) Summary or Reaction Prayer

19 Rahab the prostitute hides the Israelite spies: [Joshua 2](#) Summary or Reaction Prayer

20 God keep his promise: [Joshua 23; 24](#) Summary or Reaction Prayer

21 David kills Goliath: [1 Samuel 17](#) Summary or Reaction Prayer

22 David becomes king: [2 Samuel 5:1-5](#) Summary or Reaction Prayer
 God's promise to David: [2 Samuel 7](#)

23 David and Bathsheba: [2 Samuel 11; 12:1-25](#) Summary or Reaction Prayer

Act 3: Israel (continued)

24 The Lord is my shepherd: [Psalm 23](#) Summary or Reaction Prayer

25 A prayer of thanksgiving: [Psalm 100](#) Summary or Reaction Prayer

26 Israel sent into exile: [2 Chronicles 36:15-23](#) Summary or Reaction Prayer
 Queen Esther saves her people: [Esther 1](#)

27 Messiah's birth prophesied: [Isaiah 9:1-7](#) Summary or Reaction Prayer
 God's promise to return: [Isaiah 52:1-12](#)

28 Daniel's dream of God's kingdom: [Daniel 7](#) Summary or Reaction Prayer

Act 4: Jesus

29 The birth of Jesus: [Luke 1; 2](#) Summary or Reaction Prayer

30 The temptation of Jesus: [Matthew 4:1-11](#); [Luke 4:1-13](#) Summary or Reaction Prayer

31 The Sermon on the Mount: [Matthew 5; 6](#) Summary or Reaction Prayer

32 Jesus shares his calling with the people: [Luke 4:16-30](#) Summary or Reaction Prayer
 Jesus' teaching on prayer: [Luke 11:1-13](#)

33 The lost son: [Luke 15](#) Summary or Reaction Prayer

34 New birth: [John 3](#) Summary or Reaction Prayer

Act 4: Jesus (*continued*)

35 Jesus is the resurrection and the life: [John 11](#) Summary or Reaction Prayer

36 Three prayers of Jesus: [John 17](#) Summary or Reaction Prayer

37 The Lord's Supper: [Luke 22:7-38](#); [1 Corinthians 11:17-34](#) Summary or Reaction Prayer

38 The death of Jesus: [Luke 23:26-56](#); [John 19:16-42](#) Summary or Reaction Prayer

39 The resurrection of Jesus: [Luke 24](#); [John 20](#) Summary or Reaction Prayer

40 Jesus ascends into heaven: [Acts 1:1-11](#) Summary or Reaction Prayer
 The Great Commission from Jesus: [Matthew 28:16-20](#)

Act 5: The New People of God

41 The coming of the Holy Spirit: [Acts 2:1-21](#) Summary or Reaction Prayer

42 "Repent and be baptized": [Acts 2:22-47](#) Summary or Reaction Prayer

43 Jesus, the fulfillment of Abraham's covenant: [Acts 3](#) Summary or Reaction Prayer

44 Salvation in Jesus alone: [Acts 4](#) Summary or Reaction Prayer

45 Paul's conversion: [Acts 9:1-31](#) Summary or Reaction Prayer

Act 5: The New People of God *(continued)*

46 Paul's testimony before King Agrippa: [Acts 25:23-27; 26:1-32](#) Summary or Reaction Prayer

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52 The new heaven and earth: [Revelation 21](#); [22](#) Summary or Reaction Prayer