

BIBLEWISE

Bible Reading Plan for Beginners

Old Testament Readings

Week 1

- Genesis 1: The story of creation
- Genesis 3: The origin of sin
- Genesis 22: Abraham and Isaac
- Exodus 3: Moses' encounter with God
- Exodus 20: The gift of the Ten Commandments
- 1 Samuel 17: David and Goliath
- 2 Samuel 11: David and Bathsheba

Week 2

- 2 Samuel 12: Nathan's rebuke of the king
- 1 Kings 18: Elijah and the prophets of Baal
- Job 38: God's answer to Job
- Psalm 51: A classic confession
- Isaiah 40: Words of comfort from God
- Daniel 6: Daniel and the lions
- Amos 4: A prophet's stern warning

Life and Teachings of Jesus Readings

Week 3

- Luke 1: Preparing for Jesus' arrival
- Luke 2: The story of Jesus' birth
- Mark 1: The beginning of Jesus' ministry
- Mark 9: A day in the life of Jesus
- Matthew 5: The Sermon on the Mount
- Matthew 6: The Sermon on the Mount continued
- Luke 15: Parables of Jesus

Week 4

- John 3: A conversation with Jesus
- John 14: Jesus' final instructions
- John 17: Jesus' prayer for His disciples
- Matthew 26: Betrayal and arrest of Jesus
- Matthew 27: Jesus' execution on the cross
- John 20: Jesus' resurrection
- Luke 24: Jesus' appearance after the resurrection

Life and Teachings of Paul Readings

Week 5

- Acts 9: The conversion of Saul
- Acts 16: Paul's Macedonian call and a jailbreak
- Acts 17: Scenes from Paul's missionary journey
- Acts 26: Paul tells his life story to a king
- Acts 27: Shipwreck on the way to Rome
- Acts 28: Paul's arrival in Rome
- Romans 3: Paul's theology in a nutshell

Week 6

- Romans 7: The struggle with sin
- Romans 8: Life in the Spirit
- 1 Corinthians 13: Paul's description of love
- 1 Corinthians 15: Thoughts on the afterlife
- Galatians 5: Freedom in Christ
- Ephesians 3: Paul's summary of his mission
- Philippians 2: Imitating Christ

This plan has been adapted from Track 1 of the 3-Track Plan for Reading the Bible in the NIV Student Bible.