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THE KINGDOM BIBLE READING PLAN

In Deuteronomy, Moses sets forth the following pattern for enjoying life with God: the *reading* of Scripture opens the door for *hearing* from God, which enables one to *learn to fear* him, which leads to *following* him (Deut. 31:12–13; cf. 6:1–3; 17:19–20; John 6:44–45). How foundational God's written revelation is to our very existence! "It is no empty word for you, but your very life" (Deut. 32:47). Only through an encounter with God's pure, perfect, true, and abiding Word (Pss. 12:6; 119:96, 160) can people be:

- Reborn in Christ (Ps. 119:93; Rom. 10:17; James 1:18); 1 Peter 1:23
- Empowered for holiness (Ps. 119:50; John 17:17; 2 Tim. 3:17;
 2 Peter 1:4),
- Sustained to glory (Deut. 8:3; Rom. 1:16; 2 Tim. 3:15),
- Satisfied always (Pss. 1:2; 19:10; 1 Peter 2:3).

Man lives through "every word that comes from the mouth of God" (Matt. 4:4; cf. Deut. 8:3), so our whole being must be saturated in Scripture (Deut. 6:7; Josh. 1:7–8; Pss. 1:3; 78:5–8). We must seek its truths like silver, think deeply over its teachings, and we must passionately desire our study to generate reverence, dependence, and obedience and to overflow in proclamation—all in a way that points to the worth of the One who has revealed himself in it (Isa. 66:2; Prov. 2:4; Ezra 7:10; 2 Tim. 2:7, 15; 1 Peter 4:11).

As God's disclosure of himself and his purposes in a way we can understand, the Bible is about the good news of God's kingdom—a kingdom established through covenant for God's glory in Christ (Luke 4:43; 24:44–47;

Acts 1:3; 20:25; 26:22–23; 28:23, 31). The KINGDOM Bible Reading Plan derives its name from the Bible's kingdom framework. The plan is distinguished by the following features:

- Proportionate weight is given to the Old and New Testaments in view of their relative length, the Old receiving three readings per day and the New getting one reading per day.
- The Old Testament readings follow the arrangement of Jesus' Bible (Luke 24:44—Law, Prophets, Writings), with one reading coming from each portion per day.
- In a single year, one reads through Psalms twice and all other biblical books once; the second reading of Psalms (highlighted in blue) supplements the readings through the Law (Genesis–Deuteronomy).
- Only twenty-five readings are slated per month in order to provide flexibility in daily devotions.
- The plan can be started at any time of the year, and if four readings per day are too much, the plan can simply be stretched to two or more years (reading from one, two, or three columns per day).

May you grow in grace as you read the Scripture. I hope you enjoy the KINGDOM Bible Reading Plan.

-Jason S. DeRouchie

	JANUARY					FEBRUARY				
Days	OT Law (and Pss.)	OT Prophets	OT Writings	NT	Days	OT Law (and Pss.)	OT Prophets	OT Writings	NT	
1. 2. 3. 4. 5. 6. 7. 8. 9. 10. 11. 12. 13. 14. 15. 16.	Gen. 1:1-2:3 12:4-25 3 4 5:1-6:8 6:9-7:24 8 9 10:1-11:9 11:10-32 12 13 14 15 16	Josh. 11-2 3-4 5-6 7 8 9 10 11-12 13-14 15-16 17-18 19 20-21 22 23-24 Judg.	Ruth 1 1 2 2 3 3-4 Pss. 1 1-2 3 3-4 5-6 17-8 9 110 11-12 113-14 15-16 117 18 18 19	Matt. 1 1 2 3 3 4 5:1-20 5:21-48 6 7 8 9 10 111 12:22-50 13:1-30	1. 2. 3. 4. 5. 6. 7. 8. 9. 10. 11. 12. 13. 14.	Gen.	Judg. 12-13 14-15 16 17-18 19 20 21 1 Sam. 1:1-2:11 2:12-36 3-4 05-6 7-8 9 010-11 12 13	Pss.	Matt. □ 23 □ 24:1-28 □ 24:29-51 □ 25 □ 26:1-35 □ 26:36-75 □ 27:1-31 □ 27:32-66 □ 28 Mark □ 1:1-20 □ 1:21-45 □ 2 □ 3 □ 4 □ 5	
17. 18. 19. 20. 21. 22. 23. 24. 25.	□ 18 □ 19 □ 20 □ 21 □ 22 □ 23 □ 24:1–28 □ 24:29–67 □ 25 OT Law (and Pss.)	2 3 4 4 5 6 6 7 8 9 10–11	22 23–24 25 26 27 28–29 30 31 32–33	□ 14 □ 15 □ 16 □ 17 □ 18 □ 19 □ 20 □ 21:1–22 □ 21:23–46	17. 18. 19. 20. 21. 22. 23. 24. 25.	□ Pss. 9-10 □ Pss. 11-13 □ 37:2-36 □ 38 □ 39 □ 40 □ Pss. 14-16 □ Ps. 17 □ Ps. 18	14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21-22 23-24 APRIL OT Prophets	□ 52-54 □ 55 □ 56 □ 57 □ 58 □ 59 □ 60-61 □ 62 □ 63-64 OT Writings	□ 6:1-29 □ 6:30-56 □ 7 □ 8:1-9:1 □ 9:2-29 □ 9:30-50 □ 10:1-31 □ 10:32-52 □ 11	
1. 2. 3.	Gen. □ 41:1–36 □ 41:37–57	1 Sam. □ 25	Pss. □ 65	Mark □ 12:1–17		Exod.	1 Kings	<u> </u>		

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	MAY					JUNE				
Days	OT Law (and Pss.)	OT Prophets	OT Writings	NT	Days	OT Law (and Pss.)	OT Prophets	OT Writings	NT	
1. 2. 3. 4. 5. 6. 7. 8. 9. 10. 11. 12. 13. 14. 15. 16. 17. 18. 19. 20. 21. 22. 23. 24. 25.	Exod.	2 Kings	Pss. □ 126-128 □ 129-131 □ 132-133 □ 134-135 □ 139 □ 140 □ 141-142 □ 143 □ 144-143 □ 144-150 Job □ 1 □ 1 □ 2 □ 3 □ 4 □ 4 □ 1 □ 1 □ 1 □ 1 □ 1 □ 1	John 4 5 6:1-40 6:41-71 7:1-24 7:25-52 9 10 11:1-27 11:28-57 12:20-50 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 4cts 1 2:1-41	1. 2. 3. 4. 5. 6. 7. 8. 9. 10. 11. 12. 13. 14. 15. 16. 17. 18. 19. 20. 21. 22. 23. 24. 25.	Exod. 38 39 40 Ps. 55 Ps. 56 Ps. 57 Lev. 1-2 3-4 5:1-6:7 0-7	Jer. 7	Job	Acts	
		JULY					AUGUST			
Days	OT Law (and Pss.)	OT Prophets	OT Writings	NT	Days	OT Law (and Pss.)	OT Prophets	OT Writings	NT	
1. 2. 3. 4. 5. 6. 7. 8. 9. 10. 11. 12. 13. 14. 15. 16. 17. 18. 19. 20. 22. 23. 24. 22. 23.	Lev. 14 14 15 16 16 17 18 19 19 19 20 19 19 20 19 19 20 19 19 20 20 20 20 20 20 20 20 20 20 20 20 20	Jer. 36 37 38 39-40 41-42 43-45 46-47 48 49 50 51 52 Ezek. 11 2-3 4-5 6-7 8-9 100-11 112 13 144-15 16 17 18-19 20	Job	Acts 25 26 27 28 Rom. 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 1	1. 2. 3. 4. 5. 6. 7. 8. 9. 10. 11. 12. 13. 14. 15. 16. 17. 18. 19. 20. 21. 22. 23. 24. 25.	Num. 1 1 2 2 3 3 4 4 5 6 6 6 9 Ps. 81-82 9 Ps. 84 9 Ps. 85 9 7:1-41 1 7:42-89 8 9 9 10 11 9 Ps. 89 10 9 9 11 1 9 Ps. 90 1 9 Ps. 91 1 9 Ps. 91 1 9 Ps. 91 1 9 Ps. 91 1 1 9 Ps. 92-93 1 12-13 1 14:10-45	Ezek.	Prov.	1 Cor. 6	

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	SEPTEMBER					october				
Days	OT Law (and Pss.)	OT Prophets	OT Writings	NT	Days	OT Law (and Pss.)	OT Prophets	OT Writings	NT	
1. 2. 3. 4. 5. 6.	Num. □ 15 □ 16:1–24 □ 16:25–50 □ 17 □ Ps. 94 □ Ps. 95	lsa. □ 1 □ 2 □ 3-4 □ 5 □ 6-7 □ 8	Song 1 2 3 4 5 6	Gal. □ 1 □ 2 □ 3 □ 4 □ 5 □ 6	1. 2. 3. 4. 5.	Num. 28 29 30 Ps. 107 Ps. 108	lsa. □ 34–35 □ 36 □ 37 □ 38–39 □ 40	Esther 1 2 3-4	2 Thess. 1 2 3 1 Tim. 1 2	
7. 8. 9. 10. 11. 12. 13. 14. 15. 16. 17. 18. 19. 20. 21. 22. 23. 24. 25.	Ps. 96 19 20 Ps. 97 Pss. 98-99 Pss. 100-101 21 22 22 23 Ps. 102 Ps. 103 24 25 27 Ps. 104 Ps. 104 Ps. 105 Ps. 106	□ 9 □ 10 □ 11-12 □ 13 □ 14 □ 15-16 □ 17-18 □ 19-20 □ 21 □ 22 □ 23 □ 24 □ 25-26 □ 27 □ 28 □ 29 □ 30 □ 31-32 □ 33	7	Eph. 1 2 3 4 4 6 6 Phil. 1 2 2 3 4 4 Col. 1 1 Thess. 1 2 3 4 4 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6	6. 7. 8. 9. 10. 11. 12. 13. 14. 15. 16. 17. 18. 190. 20. 21. 223. 244. 25.	Ps. 109 31 32 33 Pss. 110–112 Pss. 113–114 Ps. 115 34 35 36 Pss. 116–117 Ps. 118 Deut. 1:1–18 1:19–46 2 3 4:1–43 Ps. 119:1–40 Ps. 119:41–72 Ps. 119:73–104	41	0-0 Ezra 0-1 0-2 0-3 0-4 0-2 0-3 0-4 0-5 0-6 0-7 0-8 0-9 0-10 0-2 0-7 0-8 0-9 0-10 0-11 0-12 0-13 0-12 0-13 0-14 0-15 0-6 0-7 0-7 0-9 0-10 0-11 0-12 0-13 0-14 0-15	3	
					25.	⊔ Ps. 119:73–104		□ 13	⊔8	
		NOVEMBER			DECEMBER					
Days	OT Law (and Pss.)	OT Prophets		NT	Days	OT Law (and Pss.)	OT Prophets	OT Writings	NT	
1. 2. 3. 4. 5. 6. 7. 8. 9. 10. 11. 12. 13. 14. 15. 16. 17.	Deut. 4:44-6:3 6:4-25 7 8 Ps. 119:105-136 Ps. 119:137-176 Pss. 120-122 9 10 11 Pss. 123-125 Pss. 126-128 12 13 14 15 Pss. 129-131	Hos. 1 1 2-3 4 5-6 7 8 9 110 111-12 13-14 Joel 11 12 3 Amos 11 12 3 4 11 12 13 14	1 Chron. 1 1 2 2 33-4 5 6 7 7 8 99-10 111 12 13-14 15 16 17 18-19 120-21 22	Heb. 9 10:1-18 10:19-39 11:1-22 11:23-40 12 13 James 1 2 3 1 1 2 1 1 2 3 4 5 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	1. 2. 3. 4. 5. 6. 7. 8. 9. 10. 11. 12. 13. 14.	Deut.	Mic. 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 Nah. 1-2 3 Hab. 1 2 3 Zeph. 1 2 3	2 Chron. □ 5:1-6:11 □ 6:12-42 □ 7 □ 8 □ 9 □ 10-11 □ 12-13 □ 14-15 □ 16-17 □ 18-19 □ 20 □ 21 □ 22-23 □ 24 □ 25	2 John 1 3 John 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	
18. 19. 20. 21. 22. 23. 24. 25.	□ Pss. 132–134 □ 16 □ 17 □ 18 □ Ps. 135 □ Ps. 136 □ 19 □ 20	□ 5 □ 6 □ 7 □ 8 □ 9 Obad. □ 1 Jonah □ 1-2 □ 3-4	□ 23 □ 24-25 □ 26 □ 27 □ 28 □ 29 2 Chron. □ 1-2 □ 3-4	2 Peter	16. 17. 18. 19. 20. 21. 22. 23. 24. 25.	□ 29:2-29 □ 30 □ 31:1-29 □ Ps. 146 □ Ps. 147 □ 31:30-32:52 □ 33 □ Ps. 148 □ Ps. 148	Hag. 1 1-2 Zech. 1 1-2 3-5 6-7 8 9-10 11-12 13-14 Mal. 11-2 3-4	26 27-28 29 30 31 32 33 34 35 36	13 14 15 16 17 17 18 19 20 21	

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