



New Testament Reading Plan

Welcome to this 260-day journey through the New Testament! Designed for reading on weekdays only (5 days a week for 52 weeks), this plan will take you chapter-by-chapter through the entire New Testament in one year. Find more resources at pursueGOD.org/weekday260.

About the New Testament

The New Testament was written in the latter half of the 1st century AD through the inspiration of the Holy Spirit by a variety of early Christian leaders. It focuses on the life, teachings, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ, as well as the founding and growth of the early Christian church.

The 27 books are grouped into four primary categories:

- **The Four Gospels** (Matthew, Mark, Luke, John): Narratives documenting Jesus's ministry, miracles, teachings, and resurrection. Each gospel offers a distinct perspective tailored to its intended original audience.
- **Church History** (Acts of the Apostles): Written by Luke as a sequel to his gospel, this book tracks the spread of Christianity from Jerusalem across the Roman Empire.
- **The Epistles** (21 Letters): Letters written by early church leaders—13 traditionally attributed to Paul, with others by Peter, John, James, and Jude—offering theological instruction, encouragement, and practical advice to young Christian communities.
- **Prophecy** (Revelation): An apocalyptic text written by John, filled with vivid symbolism detailing ultimate spiritual victory, final judgment, and the renewal of creation.

About this Reading Plan

To help you see the full story unfold, we'll start with Luke and Acts to learn about Jesus and the early church. From there we'll cover the books mostly in chronological order, mixing in the other Gospels along the way to keep it fresh. Use the checkboxes below to track your progress, and use the weekends to catch up if you fall behind.

Whether you're reading the New Testament for the very first time or visiting these pages again, God's Word is alive and ready to transform your life. Grab your Bible and let's dive in!

The Gospel of Luke

Luke was a doctor who wrote the gospel of Luke and the book of Acts as one two-part volume.

Week 1

- ☐ Luke 1
- ☐ Luke 2
- ☐ Luke 3
- ☐ Luke 4
- ☐ Luke 5

Week 2

- ☐ Luke 6
- ☐ Luke 7
- ☐ Luke 8
- ☐ Luke 9
- ☐ Luke 10

Week 3

- ☐ Luke 11
- ☐ Luke 12
- ☐ Luke 13
- ☐ Luke 14
- ☐ Luke 15

Week 4

- ☐ Luke 16
- ☐ Luke 17
- ☐ Luke 18
- ☐ Luke 19
- ☐ Luke 20

The Early Church & Paul's First Journey

Acts tells the story of the early church and introduces us to Paul and James (the brother of Jesus).

Week 5

- ☐ Luke 21
- ☐ Luke 22
- ☐ Luke 23
- ☐ Luke 24
- ☐ Acts 1

Week 6

- ☐ Acts 2
- ☐ Acts 3
- ☐ Acts 4
- ☐ Acts 5
- ☐ Acts 6

Week 7

- ☐ Acts 7
- ☐ Acts 8
- ☐ Acts 9
- ☐ Acts 10
- ☐ Acts 11

Week 8

- ☐ Acts 12
- ☐ Acts 13
- ☐ Acts 14
- ☐ Acts 15
- ☐ James 1

The Letter of James & Paul's Second Journey

Paul's first letter was Galatians. He later wrote to the Thessalonians from Corinth (Acts 18).

Week 9

- ☐ James 2
- ☐ James 3
- ☐ James 4
- ☐ James 5
- ☐ Galatians 1

Week 10

- ☐ Galatians 2
- ☐ Galatians 3
- ☐ Galatians 4
- ☐ Galatians 5
- ☐ Galatians 6

Week 11

- ☐ Acts 16
- ☐ Acts 17
- ☐ Acts 18
- ☐ 1 Thess 1
- ☐ 1 Thess 2

Week 12

- ☐ 1 Thess 3
- ☐ 1 Thess 4
- ☐ 1 Thess 5
- ☐ 2 Thess 1
- ☐ 2 Thess 2

Paul's Third Journey

Paul spent 3 years in Ephesus (Acts 19) where he wrote his first letter to the church in Corinth.

Week 13

- ☐ 2 Thess 3
- ☐ Acts 19
- ☐ 1 Cor 1
- ☐ 1 Cor 2
- ☐ 1 Cor 3

Week 14

- ☐ 1 Cor 4
- ☐ 1 Cor 5
- ☐ 1 Cor 6
- ☐ 1 Cor 7
- ☐ 1 Cor 8

Week 15

- ☐ 1 Cor 9
- ☐ 1 Cor 10
- ☐ 1 Cor 11
- ☐ 1 Cor 12
- ☐ 1 Cor 13

Week 16

- ☐ 1 Cor 14
- ☐ 1 Cor 15
- ☐ 1 Cor 16
- ☐ Acts 20
- ☐ 2 Cor 1

Paul's Third Journey (Continued)

Paul stayed in Corinth where he wrote his theological masterpiece to the Christians in Rome.

Week 17

- ☐ 2 Cor 2
- ☐ 2 Cor 3
- ☐ 2 Cor 4
- ☐ 2 Cor 5
- ☐ 2 Cor 6

Week 18

- ☐ 2 Cor 7
- ☐ 2 Cor 8
- ☐ 2 Cor 9
- ☐ 2 Cor 10
- ☐ 2 Cor 11

Week 19

- ☐ 2 Cor 12
- ☐ 2 Cor 13
- ☐ Romans 1
- ☐ Romans 2
- ☐ Romans 3

Week 20

- ☐ Romans 4
- ☐ Romans 5
- ☐ Romans 6
- ☐ Romans 7
- ☐ Romans 8

Paul's Journey to Rome & Prison Letters

Paul wrote Romans before his eventual imprisonment there, where he wrote his 4 "prison letters."

Week 21

- ☐ Romans 9
- ☐ Romans 10
- ☐ Romans 11
- ☐ Romans 12
- ☐ Romans 13

Week 22

- ☐ Romans 14
- ☐ Romans 15
- ☐ Romans 16
- ☐ Acts 21
- ☐ Acts 22

Week 23

- ☐ Acts 23
- ☐ Acts 24
- ☐ Acts 25
- ☐ Acts 26
- ☐ Acts 27

Week 24

- ☐ Acts 28
- ☐ Ephesians 1
- ☐ Ephesians 2
- ☐ Ephesians 3
- ☐ Ephesians 4

Prison Letters (Continued) & Pastoral Letters

Paul wrote his final letters to Timothy and Titus, giving instructions on leadership and doctrine.

Week 25

- ☐ Ephesians 5
- ☐ Ephesians 6
- ☐ Philippians 1
- ☐ Philippians 2
- ☐ Philippians 3

Week 26

- ☐ Philippians 4
- ☐ Colossians 1
- ☐ Colossians 2
- ☐ Colossians 3
- ☐ Colossians 4

Week 27

- ☐ Philemon 1
- ☐ 1 Timothy 1
- ☐ 1 Timothy 2
- ☐ 1 Timothy 3
- ☐ 1 Timothy 4

Week 28

- ☐ 1 Timothy 5
- ☐ 1 Timothy 6
- ☐ Titus 1
- ☐ Titus 2
- ☐ Titus 3

Pastoral Letters (Continued) & The Gospel of Mark

Mark is the shortest of the four gospels, focusing more on what Jesus did than what he said.

Week 29

- ☐ 2 Timothy 1
- ☐ 2 Timothy 2
- ☐ 2 Timothy 3
- ☐ 2 Timothy 4
- ☐ Mark 1

Week 30

- ☐ Mark 2
- ☐ Mark 3
- ☐ Mark 4
- ☐ Mark 5
- ☐ Mark 6

Week 31

- ☐ Mark 7
- ☐ Mark 8
- ☐ Mark 9
- ☐ Mark 10
- ☐ Mark 11

Week 32

- ☐ Mark 12
- ☐ Mark 13
- ☐ Mark 14
- ☐ Mark 15
- ☐ Mark 16

Peter's Letters & Hebrews

1 & 2 Peter and Hebrews are "general" epistles written to broader communities of early Christians.

Week 33

- ☐ 1 Peter 1
- ☐ 1 Peter 2
- ☐ 1 Peter 3
- ☐ 1 Peter 4
- ☐ 1 Peter 5

Week 34

- ☐ 2 Peter 1
- ☐ 2 Peter 2
- ☐ 2 Peter 3
- ☐ Hebrews 1
- ☐ Hebrews 2

Week 35

- ☐ Hebrews 3
- ☐ Hebrews 4
- ☐ Hebrews 5
- ☐ Hebrews 6
- ☐ Hebrews 7

Week 36

- ☐ Hebrews 8
- ☐ Hebrews 9
- ☐ Hebrews 10
- ☐ Hebrews 11
- ☐ Hebrews 12

The Gospel of Matthew

Matthew acts as the primary bridge between the Old Testament and the story of Jesus.

Week 37

- ☐ Hebrews 13
- ☐ Jude 1
- ☐ Matthew 1
- ☐ Matthew 2
- ☐ Matthew 3

Week 38

- ☐ Matthew 4
- ☐ Matthew 5
- ☐ Matthew 6
- ☐ Matthew 7
- ☐ Matthew 8

Week 39

- ☐ Matthew 9
- ☐ Matthew 10
- ☐ Matthew 11
- ☐ Matthew 12
- ☐ Matthew 13

Week 40

- ☐ Matthew 14
- ☐ Matthew 15
- ☐ Matthew 16
- ☐ Matthew 17
- ☐ Matthew 18

Matthew (Continued) & John's Letters

The Apostle John (known as the "beloved disciple") wrote the last four books of the Bible.

Week 41

- ☐ Matthew 19
- ☐ Matthew 20
- ☐ Matthew 21
- ☐ Matthew 22
- ☐ Matthew 23

Week 42

- ☐ Matthew 24
- ☐ Matthew 25
- ☐ Matthew 26
- ☐ Matthew 27
- ☐ Matthew 28

Week 43

- ☐ 1 John 1
- ☐ 1 John 2
- ☐ 1 John 3
- ☐ 1 John 4
- ☐ 1 John 5

Week 44

- ☐ 2 John 1
- ☐ 3 John 1
- ☐ Revelation 1
- ☐ Revelation 2
- ☐ Revelation 3

The Book of Revelation

John, the last living disciple, wrote Revelation around 95 AD while exiled on the island of Patmos.

Week 45

- ☐ Revelation 4
- ☐ Revelation 5
- ☐ Revelation 6
- ☐ Revelation 7
- ☐ Revelation 8

Week 46

- ☐ Revelation 9
- ☐ Revelation 10
- ☐ Revelation 11
- ☐ Revelation 12
- ☐ Revelation 13

Week 47

- ☐ Revelation 14
- ☐ Revelation 15
- ☐ Revelation 16
- ☐ Revelation 17
- ☐ Revelation 18

Week 48

- ☐ Revelation 19
- ☐ Revelation 20
- ☐ Revelation 21
- ☐ Revelation 22
- ☐ John 1

The Gospel of John

The author of the last four books of the Bible also penned the Gospel that bears his name.

Week 49

- ☐ John 2
- ☐ John 3
- ☐ John 4
- ☐ John 5
- ☐ John 6

Week 50

- ☐ John 7
- ☐ John 8
- ☐ John 9
- ☐ John 10
- ☐ John 11

Week 51

- ☐ John 12
- ☐ John 13
- ☐ John 14
- ☐ John 15
- ☐ John 16

Week 52

- ☐ John 17
- ☐ John 18
- ☐ John 19
- ☐ John 20
- ☐ John 21