



# Introduction To The Bible

## Track 1 Reading Plans

### Two Weeks on the Life and Teachings of Jesus

- Day 1, Luke 1: Preparing for Jesus' arrival
- Day 2, Luke 2: The story of Jesus' birth
- Day 3, Mark 1: The beginning of Jesus' ministry
- Day 4, Mark 9: A day in the life of Jesus
- Day 5, Matthew 5: The Sermon on the Mount
- Day 6, Matthew 6: The Sermon on the Mount
- Day 7, Luke 15: Parables of Jesus
- Day 8, John 3: A conversation with Jesus
- Day 9, John 14: Jesus' final instructions
- Day 10, John 17: Jesus' prayer for his disciples
- Day 11, Matthew 26: Betrayal and arrest
- Day 12, Matthew 27: Jesus' execution on a cross
- Day 13, John 20: Resurrection
- Day 14, Luke 24: Jesus' appearance after resurrection

### Two Weeks on the Life and Teachings of Paul

- Day 1, Acts 9: The conversion of Saul
- Day 2, Acts 16: Paul's Macedonian call and a jailbreak
- Day 3, Acts 17: Scenes from Paul's missionary journey
- Day 4, Acts 26: Paul tells his life story to a king
- Day 5, Acts 27: Shipwreck on the way to Rome
- Day 6, Acts 28: Paul's arrival in Rome
- Day 7, Romans 3: Paul's theology in a nutshell
- Day 8, Romans 7: Struggle with sin
- Day 9, Romans 8: Life in the Spirit
- Day 10, Job 38: God's answer to Job
- Day 11, Psalm 51: A classic confession
- Day 12, Isaiah 40: Words of comfort from God
- Day 13, Daniel 6: Daniel and the lions
- Day 14, Amos 4: A prophet's stern warning

### Two Weeks on the Old Testament

- Day 1, Genesis 1: The story of creation
- Day 2, Genesis 3: The origin of sin
- Day 3, Genesis 22: Abraham and Isaac
- Day 4, Exodus 3: Moses' encounter with God
- Day 5, Exodus 20: The gift of the Ten Commandments
- Day 6, 1 Samuel 17: David and Goliath
- Day 7, 2 Samuel 11: David and Bathsheba
- Day 8, 2 Samuel 12: Nathan's rebuke of the king
- Day 9, 1 Kings 18: Elijah and the prophets of Baal
- Day 10, Job 38: God's answer to Job
- Day 11, Psalm 51: A classic confession
- Day 12, Isaiah 40: Words of comfort from God
- Day 13, Daniel 6: Daniel and the lions
- Day 14, Amos 4: A prophet's stern warning

### Two Weeks on Becoming a Christian

- Day 1, Genesis 3: The first sin creates a need
- Day 2, Isaiah 52: Salvation prophesied
- Day 3, Isaiah 53: The role of the suffering servant
- Day 4, Luke 15: Three stories about God's love
- Day 5, John 3: Jesus explains "born again"
- Day 6, John 10: The good shepherd
- Day 7, Acts 8: Conversions spread outside the Jews
- Day 8, Acts 26: Paul testifies of his conversion before a king
- Day 9, Romans 3: God's provision for sin
- Day 10, Romans 5: Peace with God
- Day 11, Galatians 3: Salvation unavailable by obeying the law
- Day 12, Ephesians 2: New life in Christ
- Day 13, 1 Peter 1: Future rewards of salvation
- Day 14, 2 Peter 1: Making your salvation sure

## **Two Weeks on Prayers of the Bible**

- Day 1, Genesis 18: Abraham's plea for Sodom
- Day 2, Exodus 15: Moses' song to the Lord
- Day 3, Exodus 33: Moses meets with God
- Day 4, 2 Samuel 7: David's response to God's promises
- Day 5, 1 Kings 8: Solomon's dedication of the temple
- Day 6, 2 Chronicles 20: Jehoshaphat prays for victory
- Day 7, Ezra 9: Ezra's prayer for the people's sins
- Day 8, Psalm 22: A cry to God for help
- Day 9, Psalm 104: A prayer of praise
- Day 10, Daniel 9: Daniel's prayer for the salvation of Jerusalem
- Day 11, Habakkuk 3: A prophet's prayer of acceptance
- Day 12, Matthew 6: The Lord's prayer
- Day 13, John 17: Jesus' prayer for his disciples
- Day 14, Colossians 1: Paul's prayer of thanksgiving

## **Two Weeks on the Holy Spirit**

- Day 1, Judges 14: The Spirit gives Samson strength
- Day 2, 1 Samuel 10: King Saul's experience
- Day 3, Matthew 3:1-4:10: Role in Jesus' baptism and temptation
- Day 4, John 14: Jesus promises the Spirit
- Day 5, John 16: The work of the Spirit
- Day 6, Acts 2: The Spirit comes at Pentecost
- Day 7, Acts 10: The Spirit guides Peter to accept Gentiles
- Day 8, Romans 8: Christians' victory in the Spirit
- Day 9, 1 Corinthians 2: Wisdom from the Spirit
- Day 10, 1 Corinthians 12: Gifts of the Spirit
- Day 11, 1 Corinthians 14: Gifts of tongues and prophecy
- Day 12, Galatians 5: Life in the Spirit
- Day 13, Ephesians 4: Unity and gifts
- Day 14, 1 John 4: Signs of the Spirit

## **Two Weeks on Women of the Bible**

- Day 1, Genesis 2: Eve, the first woman
- Day 2, Genesis 18: Sarah laughs at God's promise
- Day 3, Genesis 24: Rebekah's marriage to Isaac
- Day 4, Genesis 27: Rebekah, the manipulative mother
- Day 5, Judges 4: Deborah's leadership frees her people
- Day 6, Ruth 1: Ruth and Naomi's deep friendship
- Day 7, 1 Samuel 1: Hannah prays for a son
- Day 8, 1 Kings 17: A poor widow and the prophet Elijah
- Day 9, 1 Kings 21: Jezebel, an emblem of wickedness
- Day 10, Esther 2: Esther is chosen as queen
- Day 11, Esther 4: Esther's courage at the risk of death

- Day 12, Luke 1: Mary and Elizabeth receive great news
- Day 13, Luke 2: Mary gives birth to Jesus
- Day 14, John 11: Mary and Martha and their brother's death

## **Two Weeks on Men of the Old Testament**

- Day 1, Judges 6: God calls Gideon to rescue his people
- Day 2, Judges 7: Gideon conquers his fears-and his enemies
- Day 3, 1 Samuel 3: God calls young Samuel
- Day 4, 1 Kings 3: Solomon is given wisdom
- Day 5, 1 Kings 19: Elijah runs for his life
- Day 6, 2 Kings 5: Elisha heals a powerful foreign general
- Day 7, Isaiah 6: God calls the prophet Isaiah
- Day 8, 2 Kings 18: King Hezekiah under military siege
- Day 9, 2 Kings 19: Isaiah speaks God's word to King Hezekiah
- Day 10, 2 Chronicles 34: Josiah sets his nation back on course
- Day 11, Nehemiah 2: Nehemiah courageously begins rebuilding a wall
- Day 12, Jeremiah 38: Jeremiah, in prison, refuses to change his message
- Day 13, Daniel 1: Daniel risks his life in captivity
- Day 14, Daniel 5: Daniel's word to a royal orgy

## **Two Weeks on Social Justice**

- Day 1, Exodus 3: God hears the cries of the slaves
- Day 2, Leviticus 25: The year of jubilee, a time of economic revolution
- Day 3, Ruth 2: A poor woman finds help
- Day 4, 1 Kings 21: Elijah speaks to a land- grabbing, murderous king
- Day 5, Nehemiah 5: Nehemiah demands justice for the poor
- Day 6, Isaiah 5: Warning to fun-loving materialists
- Day 7, Isaiah 58: Worship that God appreciates
- Day 8, Jeremiah 34: Freedom for slaves
- Day 9, Amos 2: Sins against God by his own people
- Day 10, Amos 6: Warning to the complacent
- Day 11, Micah 6: What the Lord requires
- Day 12, Luke 3: John the Baptist tells how to prepare for Jesus
- Day 13, Matthew 6: Jesus speaks on material things
- Day 14, James 2: How to treat the rich and the poor

## **Two Weeks on God and Nature**

Day 1, Genesis 1: God creates the earth

Day 2, Genesis 2: God creates human beings

Day 3, Proverbs 8: Wisdom's view of creation

Day 4, Genesis 7: God preserves the species

Day 5, Job 38: The greatness of nature

Day 6, Job 39: The wildness of nature

Day 7, Job 40: God's mastery of nature

Day 8, Psalm 8: Praise for the Creator

Day 9, Psalm 98: Nature joins in the praise

Day 10, Psalm 104: God sustains the earth

Day 11, Isaiah 40: The ruler of all creation

Day 12, Romans 8: The "groanings" of our present state

Day 13, Isaiah 65: Preview of a restored earth

Day 14, Revelation 22: The end of history

## **Two weeks on Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob:**

Genesis 12, 13, 15, 17, 18, 19, 22, 24, 27, 28, 29, 31, 32, 33

## **Two weeks on Moses and the exodus:**

Exodus 2, 3, 4, 7, 12, 14, 16, 19, 32; Numbers 14; Deuteronomy 1, 2, 4, 31

## **Two weeks on David:**

1 Samuel 16, 17, 18, 20, 21, 22, 24; 2 Samuel 6, 7, 11, 12, 13, 15, 18

