

A close-up photograph of a lion and a young girl. The lion is on the left, its head resting on the ground, eyes closed, and its large, golden-brown mane is prominent. The girl is on the right, leaning over the lion and holding an open book. She is wearing a dark jacket and light-colored boots. The scene is set in a natural, outdoor environment with warm, golden light, suggesting a savanna or similar habitat. The overall mood is peaceful and contemplative.

Not safe
but
good

*Why it is important to read your
Bible in chronological order and how to do it.*

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Introduction

For any book to make sense you need to read it in the order the events happened. That seems pretty obvious.

But that isn't how our Bibles are organized and that is a major reason that trying to read through the Bible can be confusing. But there is another way!

This eBook explains why we are in the situation we are and the many ways reading our Bibles in Chronological, Historical Order (the order things happened) will benefit us and help us to grow in our Christian lives.

This eBook can help! The information is divided into 3 sections:

#1—9 Benefits of Reading Your Bible in Chronological, Historical Order

#2—5 Reasons Why You Probably Haven't Read Your Bible in Chronological, Historical Order

#3—Why Our Bibles Aren't in Chronological, Historical Order—and why it matters

Please read them all for a full understanding of the topic.

After the book content are dated and undated reading schedules for you to begin reading through the Bible in Chronological, Historical Order. Feel free to make as many copies of these as you want to share with any group or church.

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Let's get started on what I trust will be motivation for a life-changing, discipleship deepening experience of reading your Bible in Chronological Historical Order.

Section #1—9 Benefits of Reading Your Bible in Chronological, Historical Order

Every Christian feels like they ought to read the Bible

But it is a big and often confusing book.

In an attempt to be obedient, many start reading with the best of intentions. They begin in Genesis but by the time they get to Leviticus, if not before, they bail out.

Or they jump around the Bible reading familiar passages like the Psalms or the Gospels or take a further step away from actually reading the Bible by reading a devotional that briefly mentions Bible verses.

At the same time, most know they should read the whole book and I'd like to propose a way to do it that will make sense and enable you to stick with it.

That is to read it in Chronological, Historical order. This means to read the books (or parts in some cases) in the order they happened, not the order you find them in most Bibles today.

Don't worry about figuring that order out

The Bible 805 website has schedules you can download to do it, (there are also some following the content of this eBook) plus providing podcasts, videos, courses, and other materials to help. All of that is written or recorded by me, Yvon Prehn and I will be your guide through it all. More about those later. This eBook is designed to motivate you to use them.

One personal note before we get into them—

Many years ago, my mother gave me a little tract on *Reading through the Bible in a Year in Chronological, Historical Order*. It came around the time I was completing a master's degree in history and attending seminary. I used it and have every year since then.

It's my primary spiritual discipline and I feel the most significant spiritual habit in my life. I can't overestimate the importance and impact this has had in my life in helping me grow as a disciple of Jesus. More than anything I want to share that experience with as many as I can. Although it is a year-long reading plan, you can start on this project at any time of the year—when you start isn't what is important, but that you start. At the end of this eBook is an undated schedule with numbered readings, useful for any time.

If there was ever a time when we need to correctly know, trust, and apply God's Word, it's now. So, let's get into the 9 Benefits.....

Benefit ONE—

Reading the Bible in chronological order we see how God is truly the author of the entire Bible

The Bible was written over 1600 years by 40 different authors, and yet it has one mind and one voice behind all the voices and one clear theme—of God seeking, saving, and restoring his lost people.

Obviously, the writers over this span of time and geography could not have conspired together to tell the same story with all the parts fitting together the way they do in the Bible on their own.

Divine intervention was essential for the unity of message the Bible has.

BUT you won't hear the one voice if you don't read the whole book and you'll hear it most clearly when you read it in the historical order events and messages happened.

Benefit TWO—

Reading the Bible in chronological order we understand the whole story of salvation as it unfolds

Many of us only have bits and pieces of the salvation story.

When you read the Bible in chronological, historical order, you'll see how the Old Testament builds towards the fulfillment in the New Testament of the birth of Jesus, his death, resurrection, and promised return.

When you understand when prophecy was given and then fulfilled by Jesus, you won't make the mistake of current critics who assume he was just a good man who tragically died.

The salvation story was written by God and it takes the entire Bible to tell all of it and you need to read it in Chronological Order for it to make sense.

Benefit THREE—

Reading the Bible in chronological order will grow our trust and confidence in our God

In the Old Testament we see how God took care of his people from the time of their sin in the Garden of Eden, through Noah and the flood, in the exodus from Egypt, and their return to the land after the destruction of their nation and captivity.

In the New Testament we see how God took care of Jesus and his disciples until the time chosen for his crucifixion and then how God protected the spreading of the gospel message.

When you see that big picture and how God followed through on His promises over thousands of years (which you will only get a true sense of when you read it

chronologically), it can give you peace and trust because just as He cared for others, He will care for you in the challenges you face.

He will help you fulfill your calling and will bring you safely home.

Benefit FOUR—

Reading the Bible in chronological order will make sense of God's actions

If you read Old Testament passages without putting in the words of the prophets in their proper place in the historical books, God's acts of judgement don't make sense.

They can seem excessive and cruel to the people who are supposed to be his "chosen ones."

But when you put the messages of the prophets in their proper context of the history that prompted them, you see God's mercy and love as he pleads for his people to repent and again and again delays judgment.

But you also will understand why judgment comes, when after repeated messages to repent, God's people broke their covenant with Him.

Finally, you'll see how He is always a God of restoration and second chances when you read about the return to the Promised Land after the Babylonian captivity. Again, unless you read and understand these events in order, they won't have the significance they do when read in context.

Benefit FIVE—

Reading the Bible in chronological order helps us integrate the Bible with secular history

In 1963 Martin Luther King gave his "I have a dream" speech to over 250,000 people from the steps of the Lincoln Memorial during a critical time in during the civil rights movement.

King's words are powerful on paper but understood in the context of contemporary events and in the setting in which they were spoken, they take on added importance.

Imagine reading a part of King's speech without context or setting—much of the impact of the message would be lost.

That's similar to what happens when we read part of an Old Testament prophet without his historical setting—the impact and even sense of his message is lost.

When you understand what was going on in the prophet's world and the injustice issues of his day, his words will take on a power and clarity that you've not experienced before.

Benefit SIX—

Reading the Bible in chronological order will help us see the uniqueness of the Christian Bible

No other religion has Scriptures written over a similar time span that are as internally consistent or as historically accurate as the Christian Bible is.

Christian apologists that defend the faith claim that the Christian faith is “historical and evidential,” meaning that it is based on true history that provides true evidence that the facts of the Bible did indeed happen.

I go into detail on this topic in another lesson: ***How Truth and History Confirm We Can Trust the Christian Bible***—be sure to listen to the podcasts or watch the videos on this. If you haven’t studied this area previously, prepare to learn some surprising truths.

To connect the corroborating historical evidence with the Bible itself, you need to read the Bible accounts in their proper historical settings and time.

This will also help you understand the power of prophecy when you can objectively date when a prophecy was given and then when often hundreds of years later it was fulfilled. You’ll see how the precision and detail in Christian prophecy is unmatched in any other religion.

I’ll be pointing out specific instances of this in upcoming lessons as we go through the Bible.

Benefit SEVEN—

Reading the Bible in chronological order we aren’t disappointed with God because we don’t misinterpret His promises

When we have no idea of the contextual meaning of the passage, we often pull out a promise or encouragement we like, then interpret it in a way that makes us feel good.

But then when God doesn't do what we think He should (and that in reality He never promised to do) we get upset with him and wrongly assume he can't be trusted.

That is not a problem with the Bible; it is a problem with how we are incorrectly reading the Bible and putting in contemporary expectations that were never intended.

When you read the Bible in chronological order you can separate more easily what was specific to a certain people at a certain time and what is a timeless promise to God’s people for all time.

Benefit EIGHT—

Reading the Bible in chronological order you won't be afraid of "gotcha" questions about the Bible and your Christian faith

I think a lot of Christians are afraid to share their faith because they are afraid of what I call the "gotcha" questions, all kinds of sometimes very valid questions about what is in the Bible and that are easily answered if you know it well.

In addition to questions from friends we can't explain, many Christians also have questions about the Bible they are afraid to express. The "dark night of the soul" can be terrifying when we doubt the truth of God's Word.

Many of these questions are answered and fears calmed by simply reading the whole book in chronological historical order.

There is a lot of incorrect information floating around in secular media that a simple, chronological study of the Bible can easily correct.

I realize this is a "trust me" statement, but I've seen this as a result from many who have taken my classes on going through the Bible in this way.

Benefit NINE—

Reading the Bible in chronological order we won't skip the hard parts that are essential to the complete story of God's Redemption

If we don't read the Bible in chronological order, we will tend to go back to favorite passages instead of reading the entire Bible.

In doing that we skip the hard parts. These are the parts that are not easy to understand, like Leviticus, but without understanding that book about the Tabernacle sacrifices the sacrificial death of Jesus won't ultimately make sense.

Or the minor prophets, whose world is uncomfortably like our world today when we understand its historical setting. And if we understand that, we may have to challenge our comfortable Christian lifestyle.

It's a little like the description of Aslan, the Christ figure in C.S. Lewis book *The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe* when Mrs. Beaver surprises the children by saying:

"Aslan is a lion—the Lion, the great Lion."

"Ooh" said Susan. "I'd thought he was a man. Is he-quite safe? I shall feel rather nervous about meeting a lion"...

"Safe?" said Mr. Beaver ... "Who said anything about safe? 'Course he isn't safe. But he's good. He's the King, I tell you."

Reading the whole Bible in Chronological Order isn't safe—

It will shake and transform every part of your life if
you let it.

But it's good.

Section #2—5 Reasons Why You Probably Haven't Read Your Bible in Chronological, Historical Order

In the previous section we looked at 9 Benefits of reading the Bible in Chronological, Historical Order and most people would agree that those are reasons that would benefit them. But the question then comes up, so why aren't people doing that?

This section will propose some reasons as well as show you how they can be overcome.

Reason #1 Why you haven't read the Bible in Chronological order

I don't like to read

You aren't alone. If you are listening to this as a podcast (as opposed to reading it) you may be someone who prefers learning things by listening.

You can take in the content of the Bible in that way also. There is no greater benefit in reading over listening, spiritually or in any other way.

In reality, if you choose to listen to the Bible, you will be taking in the content of the Bible in the way most believers throughout history have taken in God's Word and that is through listening to it.

In the Old Testament we find many instances of people listening to God's word being read.

In Deut. 31:11-13 God says to Moses and to the priests who were to follow him,

"You shall read this law before them in their hearing. Assemble the people—men, women and children, and the foreigners residing in your towns—so they can listen and learn to fear the LORD your God and follow carefully all the words of this law. Their children, who do not know this law, must hear it and learn to fear the LORD your God as long as you live in the land you are crossing the Jordan to possess."

Later Joshua read it to the people as did Josiah, Ezra, and others.

This was obviously necessary as not everyone had a scroll in their tent or for that matter knew how to read.

Obvious maybe, but we forget about this historical reality.

In the New Testament

In the New Testament Paul says to Timothy,

"Until I come, devote yourself to the public reading of Scripture, to preaching and to teaching." I Timothy 4:13

Paul mentions in other letters that they are to read letters written to other churches as well as share the letter written to them.

When we think about it, we realize of course, as with the Old Testament not everyone had a scroll in their homes that they would pull out to read in their morning quiet time or nor did they have personal copies of letters Paul wrote to the churches.

Throughout most of human history, few people had personal copies of any book, let alone their scriptures, and most people were also illiterate. They learned the content of God's Word by listening to it and memorizing it.

We can do the same today

Years ago, the Bible came out on CDs and many of us loved those.

Today we have the Bible on our phones and on our desktop computer in digital formats that are easy for us to listen to at any time.

The **YouVersion** is one that I use on my phone and I highly recommend it. It is available online at **Bible.com or the app stores** for phones, tablets, desktop, and you can even have Alexa read the Bible to you.

You can also listen to it in several versions.

The bottom line is that if you don't like to read—listen! It's a great way to get Bible content into your life.

One more thing—

Even if you like to read the Bible, try listening to the Bible.

I've found I learn new things doing that; somehow levels of meaning come through that I didn't consider before hearing the words.

Try listening when exercising, cooking, other tasks, and driving. It may not be an in-depth study time, but you'll be surprised at how much of it will stay with you. Also try listening to a contemporary translation such as *The Message*. Here is an example.

For me, hearing the modern translations makes it harder to ignore the application of that passage.

Here is an example from I Cor. 13, the chapter on love. Here is the King James version:

Charity suffereth long, and is kind; charity envieth not; charity vaunteth not itself, is not puffed up,

Doth not behave itself unseemly, seeketh not her own, is not easily provoked, thinketh no evil.

. . . . Charity never faileth.

Here it is in the Message version

*Love never gives up.
Love cares more for others than for self.
Love doesn't want what it doesn't have.
Love doesn't strut,
Doesn't have a swelled head,
Doesn't force itself on others,
Isn't always "me first,"
Doesn't fly off the handle,
Doesn't keep score of the sins of others,
Doesn't revel when others grovel,
... Love never dies.*

I can feel good about myself that in loving people I "seek not my own," because I'm not really sure what that means, but I have a much harder time ignoring that love "isn't always 'me first.'"

Reason #2 Why you haven't read the Bible in Chronological order

We think the Bible is somehow different than any other book in how we should read it

We wouldn't read any other book that we cared about the way we read the Bible.

We wouldn't jump around from passage to passage, here a little, there a little, and say we "read" the book.

In fiction books except for flashbacks or other literary devices, we read and experience events and character development in their natural time-dictated sequence for the story to make sense and for us to get to know the characters.

In a non-fiction book we need to know the premise, the background, the arguments for the practical recommendations that follow for the message of the book to make sense.

To illustrate the truth of this, consider what would happen if you:

Jump into the middle of a Harry Potter novel filled with Muggles, Quidditch, Dumbledore, and Hogwarts.

Start watching The Wizard of Oz for the first time in the middle of the movie and see a young woman, a lion, a scarecrow, and a tin man marching down a yellow brick road.

Open a book on the Paleo diet find these terms: paleo/primal, autoimmune protocols, leaky guts, and ketogenic.

All the above is nothing more than a confusing collection of characters and terms if you don't read the entire book or watch the entire movie each one is in, but they all make

perfectly good sense if you read the entire book or watch the movie from start to finish and meet each term and character in context.

It's no different with the Bible

For someone who did not grow up listening to Bible stories or perhaps grew up in church and wasn't paying much attention, how much sense does it make when you hear about Shem, Jeroboam, and Barnabas or about atonement, sanctification, and justification?

We wouldn't claim to know the least bit about the Harry Potter, or the Wizard of Oz, or the Paleo diet if we only dipped into a few pages of each book randomly or minutes of the movie here and there, even if we had favorite pages or scenes we went back to again and again.

If only pick and choose favorite passages, we couldn't honestly say we understand the world of Harry Potter or why Dorothy wanted to meet the Wizard.

Reason #3 Why you haven't read the Bible in Chronological order

You have a way of reading the Bible that is working just fine, thank you

Let's face it, we all have our favorite ways of doing things, habits that make us feel good.

Maybe we prefer re-reading favorite passages again and again.

Also, there are plenty of devotional books that pick out parts of the Bible that make sense to contemporary readers along with helpful comments on them, isn't that enough?

No, it isn't.

That's not how God intended the Bible to be read

God gave us the entire book and he expects us to read the entire book for it to do what it is intended to do, as He tells us—

All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: That the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works. 2 Timothy 3:16-17

Scripture can't do its God-ordained work of perfecting us and preparing us for all God wants us to do in if we substitute "ALL scripture" with "only the passages I like or that make me feel good." Which, if you do that, if you read only parts of the Bible that you like, can lead to. . . .

An incomplete, incorrect view of God

If we don't read the entire Bible, without intentionally meaning to, we will often read passages that support our view of how we think God is supposed to act.

And that almost always means that we think He should act in ways that will make us feel good, keep us safe, and prosper us in finances, health, and every other way.

But life doesn't work like that, God doesn't behave like that, and when the disconnect between our assumptions and life experience is too great—the result can be—

Disappointment with God

If we experience disappointment it is not because the real God has failed, but because we believe in a God created in our own minds, based on a limited Bible reading about Him.

If we read the ENTIRE BIBLE, we see that God never promises that *this life* will be easy.

But the overall arc in the Bible is to redemption and ultimate good and complete healing—though it may not be in this earthly life.

Instead of a false view of God that disappoints, we will have a true view of God that will get us through whatever challenges and tragedies we face.

Please see the lesson on the Bible805 website (www.bible805.com) “7 truths about trials . . . and why we need the Bible to help us through them” for more on this topic. It will encourage you.

Reason #4 Why you haven't read the Bible in Chronological order

You don't want to change anything in your life

In the first lesson in this series, we talked about how reading through the Bible isn't safe, that it can challenge and transform every part of your life.

And perhaps, truth be told you don't want that.

You might have challenges and fears right now, but you've learned to live with them.

You are comfortable with your level of Bible knowledge—you are in a safe place.

But it's sometimes difficult to please God if your primary concern is to stay in a safe place.

It's no accident. . .

That some of the least read books of the Bible have some of the most challenging lessons in them.

Leviticus & Numbers are difficult—they are all about sacrifices that illustrated the continuous cost and penalty of sin. They aren't pleasant reading.

It's bothersome to think that even though God may not require we follow the ceremonial law to be reminded in verse after verse that He does care about the details of our lives. We may be challenged to examine and change our lives.

The minor prophets are difficult.

When you read the integrated account of Old Testament History with that of the prophets who spoke at specific times, it can be incredibly jarring to find that an often-repeated theme is that Israel went into captivity because they did not care for the poor and the rich took advantage of those less fortunate.

When the verse to “Do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with your God” (Micah 6:8) is understood in historical context, it becomes much more than a t-shirt slogan. It applies to us in the similar circumstances we find ourselves in today, just as it did to Micah’s audience.

But even though reading through the Bible in Chronological Order isn’t safe *It’s good.*

It’s good to read the entire Bible—that’s what God intends for us to do.

It’s good because when we do it, we will grow in our Christian lives and become all he intends for us to be.

It’s good because we will grow in knowing God as he truly is, not a fantasy God of our creation.

Reason #5 Why you haven’t read the Bible in Chronological order

We don’t realize how essential it is

Somehow many Christians today think that knowing the Bible is optional.

Many think or assume without consciously being aware of it that knowing the Bible well is something for professional Christians like pastors or for super-Christians.

Or for uptight, legalistic religious people we don’t want to be like.

But we won’t learn the truth about life, love, purpose, sin, or salvation from any other source because. . . .

The Bible is our lifeline!

I love this quote from J.I. Packer—

“The Scriptures are the lifeline God throws us in order to ensure he and we stay connected while the rescue is in process.”

Without this lifeline we can drown in the lies of culture and media or the confusing thoughts in our heads.

But when we grab on to the Bible, when we learn and live by the truth in it, we can safely get through all the challenges and trials, joys, and sorrows of this life, and forever.

Final challenge and application—grab and hold on to your Bible!

And yet to do that—

There is ONE more reason why it's hard to read the Bible in Chronological, Historical Order

That is because our Bibles aren't organized in that way!

That's what our next section is about—I'll tell you about why they aren't in Chronological Historical Order.

But don't worry! In addition to that, Bible805 has reading plans that have it all figured out for you! Copies of an undated, numbered plan is included with this eBook. You can also find dated ones if you'd like on the www.bible805.com website. You have my permission to make copies of them to share with friends, church, online, or however you'd like.

In addition, I've also provided blank journal pages you can make copies of and print out that will greatly enrich your experience of reading and getting to know and remember the Bible content if you use them.

This order of reading through the Bible is slightly different than other Chronological plans and for the reasons behind it, go to www.Bible805.com for links to a blog, podcast, and video for why I put them in the order I did.

Section #3 Why our Bibles Aren't in Chronological, Historical Order—and why it matters

Back to the question we asked in the previous section, if it's so important that we read our Bibles in Chronological order, then.....

Why aren't our Bibles in Chronological Order?

The short answer is simple. Because they have always been arranged in approximately the same order they are in our Bibles for thousands of years.

First, that is approximately the same order they were and are in the Hebrew Bible.

Next, that's the same order they were in the Septuagint, the Greek translation of the Hebrew Bible written during the mid-200s BC.

It's also the same order that Jerome put them in when he made his translation into the Latin Vulgate, ("vulgate" means common) around 400 AD. Most people spoke Latin at that time, and it was a popular, easy to read and very widely accepted. Previously the Bible was available in Hebrew and Greek (all of it in the Greek Septuagint), and the common people didn't understand either language.

The Vulgate was used as either a source or reference to many Bibles that followed including the Luther's translation into German and Wycliff's translation into English and they all kept Jerome's order of the books.

But that simple answer of "it's always been done that way," doesn't explain why it is an important issue today. Before we get to that, we need to understand the order they are in and the benefits of it.

Instead of a chronological, historical order, the books of the Bible are arranged by type or genre.

Let's define "genre."

Definition: *"Genre means a type of art, literature, or music characterized by a specific form, content, and style. For example, literature has four main genres: poetry, drama, fiction, and non-fiction. All these genres have particular features and functions that distinguish them from one another. Hence, it is necessary on the part of readers to know which category of genre they are reading to understand the message it conveys."* <https://literarydevices.net/genre/>

Understanding genre is extremely important and knowing what genre a book of the Bible falls within is necessary to properly interpret the book. For example, you don't read a book of history such as Acts in the same way you read a book of prophecy such as Revelation.

Overall Genre organization of most Bibles today

Old Testament organization of its books is by these genres: history, poetry, prophecy

History: Genesis-Esther

Poetry: Job through Psalms to Song of Solomon

Prophecy: Major and Minor Prophets

The New Testament is similar: history, letters, prophecy

History: Gospels and Acts

Letters: First the letters of Paul & then of other writers

Prophecy: Revelation

We'll look at specific examples of genre and how to interpret the various ones when we go through the Bible in the podcasts on Bible805.

I'll be referring to and highly recommend the book *How to Read Your Bible for All Its Worth* by Gordon Fee and Douglas Stuart, which is one of the best available on genre organization.

But understanding the genre of a book is not enough for readers today.

Because. . . .

Unlike past readers, we don't know the underlying history of the content of the Bible

We live in a "post-Christian" and in many ways "post-Bible" world.

In the world of the Old Testament and much of the recorded history of the Western World including Europe and the Americas—

The Bible was the basis of culture, and education; it was the reference point of art and music.

Every religious or educated person knew the history, the facts, the main characters that were in the scriptures.

If you read a Psalm that included the line "Of David, when he pretended to be insane before Abimelech" you knew the story he was referring to.

If you saw a painting titled "Lydia of Thyatira" you would know what it was about.

If you heard "Handel's Messiah" sung you would know where the passages could be found in the Bible and the context of them.

It is not like that today. People have no idea of the history underlying the content or the genre organization.

Here is what happens if you don't know the history

Imagine 2-3 thousand years from now (the time from the writing of the Old and New Testaments) from now reading a book about the 20th century that was organized like this:

In the first part of the book about the 20th century you'd have a retelling of the events that took place, such as the history of the Great Depression, World War Two, and the Civil Rights movement.

Next in the book you'd have chapters quoting poetry, philosophy, and romance stories of the times.

Finally, at the end of the book, would be famous speeches of the times, but they wouldn't be necessarily in order.

There would be a speech by Churchill on the occasion of Dunkirk (wherever that is), a speech by an FDR on only "fearing fear itself," and finally one from a preacher named Martin Luther King about a dream he had.

How well would you know or understand the 20th century, a thousand years later if you read about it in that way? How much sense would the speeches make if you couldn't match them with the history that produced them?

That's what happens when most people read the Bible today

It's no wonder no one pays attention to the power and purpose of the Old Testament prophets when their words are divorced from the current events that prompted them.

But when you read them in context and understand the current history when they spoke, they become alive in the same way it does when you understand why Martin Luther King stood on the steps of the Lincoln Memorial before a quarter of a million people. You understand the tension and terror it was to be a black person during that time and what it meant to hear him say, *"I have a dream. . . .*

I want the Bible to come alive for you in the same way.

I want you to see the world that prompted Amos to shout,

"Let justice roll down like a river and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream." Amos 5:24

I want you to understand the broken heart of Hosea when he said to Israel,

"I will heal their waywardness and love them freely." Hosea 14:4

I want you to understand why in the midst of his world at war on the outside and fears on the inside, Habakkuk could say,

*Though the fig tree does not bud
and there are no grapes on the vines,
though the olive crop fails
and the fields produce no food,
though there are no sheep in the pen
and no cattle in the stalls,
yet I will rejoice in the Lord,
I will be joyful in God my Savior.*

*The Sovereign Lord is my strength;
he makes my feet like the feet of a deer,
he enables me to tread on the heights. Habakkuk 3:17-19*

And reading in Chronological order will do that and more for you. But beyond the positives in how it will help your understanding of Biblical messages—

There are serious implications of not knowing the historical setting of Biblical content

It's more than simply not knowing when a particular character lived or what they did when, or even not appreciating the power of context for powerful speeches.

For many people, not knowing the historical context removes the content of the Bible away from historical, tangible truth, from real events being the basis for what the Bible teaches into a category of ***what feels good to me, what in it answers my needs.***

The commands in the Bible become not much different than fortune cookie advice. Tasty at times, but easy to ignore if we don't like what it says.

I don't think any of us intend for that to happen, but we can't help it, if the Bible is primarily a book of optional advice to us and not the written revelation of God.

Reading the Bible in Chronological order will help put the Bible in its proper place. Please see the *9 Benefits of Reading the Bible in Chronological Order* section previously for a more in-depth discussion of this topic.

Here is what Bible805 has for you to help you read the Bible in Chronological Order

Beyond the content of this eBook and the lessons and podcasts based on it many related lessons and materials will be available. Go to www.Bible805.com for links to all and be sure to sign up for the newsletter for notification of the latest content posted.

An application caution

Be careful of devotional books.

They can be useful—I wrote one for church communicators and many have told me it helped and encouraged them.

But I also know in part from writing that and from reading others that devotional books tend to have one focus and are very selective in how they pick out and interpret scriptures. Some are beneficial, but some are misleading as to the true meaning of Bible passages.

Regardless of their value, they are not a substitute for reading the Bible itself.

An especially important application

For parents, grandparents and those who care for children, instead of or in addition to reading them any kind of devotional for children, read them ***The Children's Story Bible***

by Catherine Vos. It mirrors the complete Bible Story in Chronological Order and is an excellent foundation for a life of a true view of the Bible.

I personally know the value of it because it was the book my mother read to my sister and me every night before bed. I have always had a love for the Bible as a whole, but it wasn't until I was reworking this material that I went back and realized the impact ***The Children's Story Bible*** had on my life.

It is also a useful book for adults to read as an overview. Years ago, someone gave me the advice that if you want to learn about any complex subject with which you are not familiar, read a children's introduction or overview of it. Great advice for any topic, but this works for the Bible also.

For all of us now

Join me in an extraordinary adventure of getting to know God's Word more deeply than ever before. This is one spiritual discipline I do every year in my life and it has made an incredible impact on my life.

I encourage you do to the same. Commit to reading through the Bible in Chronological, Historical order at the start of each year or begin it at any time. The schedules that follow are both in dated and undated formats.

Do it yourself or with others. It is a fantastic adventure for a small group, church group, or as an entire church.

It is an adventure that might not be safe, as it might shake up and transform every part of our lives.

But it will be good.

Chronological reading plan by dates

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	Passage	Ps. or Prov.	✓	Date	Passage	Ps. or Prov.	✓
Jan-1	Genesis 1-3	Psalms 1		Feb-16	Leviticus 11-13	Psalms 24	
Jan-2	Genesis 4-7	Proverbs 1		Feb-17	Leviticus 14-15	Proverbs 24	
Jan-3	Genesis 8-11	Psalms 2		Feb-18	Leviticus 16-18	Psalms 25	
Jan-4	Job 1-5	Proverbs 2		Feb-19	Leviticus 19-21	Proverbs 25	
Jan-5	Job 6-9	Psalms 3		Feb-20	Leviticus 22-23	Psalms 26	
Jan-6	Job 10-13	Proverbs 3		Feb-21	Leviticus 24-25	Proverbs 26	
Jan-7	Job 14-16	Psalms 4		Feb-22	Leviticus 26-27	Psalms 27	
Jan-8	Job 17-20	Proverbs 4		Feb-23	Numbers 1-2	Proverbs 27	
Jan-9	Job 21-23	Psalms 5		Feb-24	Numbers 3-4	Psalms 28	
Jan-10	Job 24-28	Proverbs 5		Feb-25	Numbers 5-6	Proverbs 28	
Jan-11	Job 29-31	Psalms 6		Feb-26	Numbers 7-8	Psalms 29	
Jan-12	Job 32-34	Proverbs 6		Feb-27	Numbers 9-10	Proverbs 29	
Jan-13	Job 35-37	Psalms 7		Feb-28	Numbers 11-13	Psalms 30	
Jan-14	Job 38-39	Proverbs 7		Mar-1	Numbers 14-15	Proverbs 30	
Jan-15	Job 40-42	Psalms 8		Mar-2	Numbers 16-17	Psalms 31	
Jan-16	Genesis 12-15	Proverbs 8		Mar-3	Numbers 18-20	Proverbs 31	
Jan-17	Genesis 16-18	Psalms 9		Mar-4	Numbers 21-22	Psalms 32	
Jan-18	Genesis 19-21	Proverbs 9		Mar-5	Numbers 23-25	Proverbs 1	
Jan-19	Genesis 22-24	Psalms 10		Mar-6	Numbers 26-27	Psalms 33	
Jan-20	Genesis 25-26	Proverbs 10		Mar-7	Numbers 28-30	Proverbs 2	
Jan-21	Genesis 27-29	Psalms 11		Mar-8	Numbers 31-32	Psalms 34	
Jan-22	Genesis 30-31	Proverbs 11		Mar-9	Numbers 33-34	Proverbs 3	
Jan-23	Genesis 32-34	Psalms 12		Mar-10	Numbers 35-36	Psalms 35	
Jan-24	Genesis 35-37	Proverbs 12		Mar-11	Deuteronomy 1-2	Proverbs 4	
Jan-25	Genesis 38-40	Psalms 13		Mar-12	Deuteronomy 3-4	Psalms 36	
Jan-26	Genesis 41-42	Proverbs 13		Mar-13	Deuteronomy 5-7	Proverbs 5	
Jan-27	Genesis 43-45	Psalms 14		Mar-14	Deuteronomy 8-10	Psalms 37	
Jan-28	Genesis 46-47	Proverbs 14		Mar-15	Deuteronomy 11-13	Proverbs 6	
Jan-29	Genesis 48-50	Psalms 15		Mar-16	Deuteronomy 14-16	Psalms 38	
Jan-30	Exodus 1-3	Proverbs 15		Mar-17	Deuteronomy 17-20	Proverbs 7	
Jan-31	Exodus 4-6	Psalms 16		Mar-18	Deuteronomy 21-23	Psalms 39	
Feb-1	Exodus 7-9	Proverbs 16		Mar-19	Deuteronomy 24-27	Proverbs 8	
Feb-2	Exodus 10-12	Psalms 17		Mar-20	Deuteronomy 28-29	Psalms 40	
Feb-3	Exodus 13-15	Proverbs 17		Mar-21	Deuteronomy 30-31	Proverbs 9	
Feb-4	Exodus 16-18	Psalms 18		Mar-22	Deuteronomy 32-34	Psalms 41	
Feb-5	Exodus 19-21	Proverbs 18		Mar-23	Joshua 1-4	Proverbs 10	
Feb-6	Exodus 22-24	Psalms 19		Mar-24	Joshua 5-8	Psalms 42	
Feb-7	Exodus 25-27	Proverbs 19		Mar-25	Joshua 9-11	Proverbs 11	
Feb-8	Exodus 28-29	Psalms 20		Mar-26	Joshua 12-15	Psalms 43	
Feb-9	Exodus 30-32	Proverbs 20		Mar-27	Joshua 16-18	Proverbs 12	
Feb-10	Exodus 33-35	Psalms 21		Mar-28	Joshua 19-21	Psalms 44	
Feb-11	Exodus 36-38	Proverbs 21		Mar-29	Joshua 22-24	Proverbs 13	
Feb-12	Exodus 39-40	Psalms 22		Mar-30	Judges 1-2	Psalms 45	
Feb-13	Leviticus 1-4	Proverbs 22		Mar-31	Judges 3-5	Proverbs 14	
Feb-14	Leviticus 5-7	Psalms 23		Apr-1	Judges 6-7	Psalms 46	
Feb-15	Leviticus 8-10	Proverbs 23		Apr-2	Judges 8-9	Proverbs 15	

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Apr-3	Judges 10-12	Psalms 47		May-19	2 Kings 13-14	Psalms 70	
Apr-4	Judges 13-15	Proverbs 16		May-20	Jonah 1-4	Proverbs 8	
Apr-5	Judges 16-18	Psalms 48		May-21	Amos 1-5	Psalms 71	
Apr-6	Judges 19-21	Proverbs 17		May-22	Amos 6-9	Proverbs 9	
Apr-7	Ruth 1-4	Psalms 49		May-23	Hosea 1-5	Psalms 72	
Apr-8	1 Samuel 1-3	Proverbs 18		May-24	Hosea 6-10	Proverbs 10	
Apr-9	1 Samuel 4-6	Psalms 50		May-25	Hosea 11-14	Psalms 73	
Apr-10	1 Samuel 7-9	Proverbs 19		May-26	2 Kings 15-17	Proverbs 11	
Apr-11	1 Samuel 10-12	Psalms 51		May-27	Isaiah 1-3	Psalms 74	
Apr-12	1 Samuel 13-14	Proverbs 20		May-28	Isaiah 4-7	Proverbs 12	
Apr-13	1 Samuel 15-16	Psalms 52		May-29	Isaiah 8-9	Psalms 75	
Apr-14	1 Samuel 17-18	Proverbs 21		May-30	Isaiah 10-12	Proverbs 13	
Apr-15	1 Samuel 19-20	Psalms 53		May-31	Isaiah 13-14	Psalms 76	
Apr-16	1 Samuel 21-24	Proverbs 22		Jun-1	Isaiah 15-18	Proverbs 14	
Apr-17	1 Samuel 25-27	Psalms 54		Jun-2	Isaiah 19-22	Psalms 77	
Apr-18	1 Samuel 28-31	Proverbs 23		Jun-3	Isaiah 23-25	Proverbs 15	
Apr-19	2 Samuel 1-2	Psalms 55		Jun-4	Isaiah 26-28	Psalms 78	
Apr-20	2 Samuel 3-5	Proverbs 24		Jun-5	Isaiah 29-30	Proverbs 16	
Apr-21	2 Samuel 6-8	Psalms 56		Jun-6	Isaiah 31-33	Psalms 79	
Apr-22	2 Samuel 9-12	Proverbs 25		Jun-7	Isaiah 34-35	Proverbs 17	
Apr-23	2 Samuel 13-14	Psalms 57		Jun-8	2 Kings 18-20	Psalms 80	
Apr-24	2 Samuel 15-17	Proverbs 26		Jun-9	Isaiah 36-39	Proverbs 18	
Apr-25	2 Samuel 18-19	Psalms 58		Jun-10	Micah 1-4	Psalms 81	
Apr-26	2 Samuel 20-22	Proverbs 27		Jun-11	Micah 5-7	Proverbs 19	
Apr-27	2 Samuel 23-24	Psalms 59		Jun-12	Isaiah 40-42	Psalms 82	
Apr-28	1 Kings 1-2	Proverbs 28		Jun-13	Isaiah 43-45	Proverbs 20	
Apr-29	1 Kings 3-4	Psalms 60		Jun-14	Isaiah 46-48	Psalms 83	
Apr-30	1 Kings 5-7	Proverbs 29		Jun-15	Isaiah 49-50	Proverbs 21	
May-1	1 Kings 8-9	Psalms 61		Jun-16	Isaiah 51-52	Psalms 84	
May-2	1 Kings 10-11	Proverbs 30		Jun-17	Isaiah 53-54	Proverbs 22	
May-3	Song of Sol. 1-4	Psalms 62		Jun-18	Isaiah 55-56	Psalms 85	
May-4	Song of Sol. 5-8	Proverbs 31		Jun-19	Isaiah 57-58	Proverbs 23	
May-5	Ecclesiastes 1-3	Psalms 63		Jun-20	Isaiah 59-61	Psalms 86	
May-6	Ecclesiastes 4-7	Proverbs 1		Jun-21	Isaiah 62-64	Proverbs 24	
May-7	Ecclesiastes 8-12	Psalms 64		Jun-22	Isaiah 65-66	Psalms 87	
May-8	1 Kings 12-13	Proverbs 2		Jun-23	2 Kings 21-23:30	Proverbs 25	
May-9	1 Kings 14-15	Psalms 65		Jun-24	Nahum 1-3	Psalms 88	
May-10	1 Kings 16-17	Proverbs 3		Jun-25	Zephaniah 1-3	Proverbs 26	
May-11	1 Kings 18-19	Psalms 66		Jun-26	Jeremiah 1-2	Psalms 89	
May-12	1 Kings 20-21	Proverbs 4		Jun-27	Jeremiah 3-4	Proverbs 27	
May-13	1 Kings 22-2 Kings 1	Psalms 67		Jun-28	Jeremiah 5-6	Psalms 90	
May-14	2 Kings 2-4	Proverbs 5		Jun-29	Jeremiah 7-8	Proverbs 28	
May-15	2 Kings 5-6	Psalms 68		Jun-30	Jeremiah 9-10	Psalms 91	
May-16	2 Kings 7-8	Proverbs 6		July 1	Jeremiah 11-13	Proverbs 29	
May-17	2 Kings 9-10	Psalms 69		July 2	Jeremiah 14-15	Psalms 92	
May-18	2 Kings 11-12	Proverbs 7		July 3	Jeremiah 16-17	Proverbs 30	

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Jul-4	Jeremiah 18-20	Psalms 93		Aug-19	Esther 1-5	Psalms 115	
Jul-5	Jeremiah 21-22	Proverbs 31		Aug-20	Esther 6-10	Proverbs 23	
Jul-6	Jeremiah 23	Psalms 94		Aug-21	Ezra 7-10	Psalms 116	
Jul-7	Habakkuk 1-3	Proverbs 1		Aug-22	Nehemiah 1-5	Proverbs 24	
Jul-8	2 Kings 23:31-24:17	Psalms 95		Aug-23	Nehemiah 6-7	Psalms 117	
Jul-9	Daniel 1-2	Proverbs 2		Aug-24	Nehemiah 8-10	Proverbs 25	
Jul-10	Daniel 3-4	Psalms 96		Aug-25	Nehemiah 11-13	Psalms 118	
Jul-11	2 Kings 24:18-25:26	Proverbs 3		Aug-26	Malachi 1-4	Proverbs 26	
Jul-12	Jeremiah 24-25	Psalms 97		Aug-27	1 Chronicles 1-9	Ps. 119:1-56	
Jul-13	Jeremiah 26-28	Proverbs 4		Aug-28	1 Chronicles 10-12	Proverbs 27	
Jul-14	Jeremiah 29-32	Psalms 98		Aug-29	1 Chronicles 13-15	Ps. 119:57-112	
Jul-15	Jeremiah 33-34	Proverbs 5		Aug-30	1 Chronicles 16-19	Proverbs 28	
Jul-16	Jeremiah 35-37	Psalms 99		Aug-31	1 Chronicles 20-22	Ps. 119:113-152	
Jul-17	Jeremiah 38-40	Proverbs 6		Sep-1	1 Chronicles 23-26	Proverbs 29	
Jul-18	Jeremiah 41-45	Psalms 100		Sep-2	1 Chronicles 27-29	Ps. 119:152-176	
Jul-19	Jeremiah 46-48	Proverbs 7		Sep-3	2 Chronicles 1-4	Proverbs 30	
Jul-20	Jeremiah 49-51	Psalms 101		Sep-4	2 Chronicles 5-7	Psalms 120	
Jul-21	Jer. 52, 2 K. 25:27-30	Proverbs 8		Sep-5	2 Chronicles 8-11	Proverbs 31	
Jul-22	Lamentations	Psalms 102		Sep-6	2 Chronicles 12-15	Psalms 121	
Jul-23	Obediah	Proverbs 9		Sep-7	2 Chronicles 16-19	Proverbs 1	
Jul-24	Ezekiel 1-4	Psalms 103		Sep-8	2 Chronicles 20-23	Psalms 122	
Jul-25	Ezekiel 5-8	Proverbs 10		Sep-9	2 Chronicles 24-27	Proverbs 2	
Jul-26	Ezekiel 9-12	Psalms 104		Sep-10	2 Chronicles 28-30	Psalms 123	
Jul-27	Ezekiel 13-15	Proverbs 11		Sep-11	2 Chronicles 31-33	Proverbs 3	
Jul-28	Ezekiel 16-17	Psalms 105		Sep-12	2 Chronicles 34-36	Psalms 124	
Jul-29	Ezekiel 18-20	Proverbs 12		Sep-13	Matthew 1-2	Proverbs 4	
Jul-30	Ezekiel 21-22	Psalms 106:1-23		Sep-14	Matthew 3-4	Psalms 125	
Jul-31	Ezekiel 23-24	Proverbs 13		Sep-15	Matthew 5-7	Proverbs 5	
Aug-1	Ezekiel 25-27	Psalms 106:24-48		Sep-16	Matthew 8-9	Psalms 126	
Aug-2	Ezekiel 28-30	Proverbs 14		Sep-17	Matthew 10-11	Proverbs 6	
Aug-3	Ezekiel 31-33	Psalms 107		Sep-18	Matthew 12	Psalms 127	
Aug-4	Ezekiel 34-36	Proverbs 15		Sep-19	Matthew 13-14	Proverbs 7	
Aug-5	Ezekiel 37-39	Psalms 108		Sep-20	Matthew 15-16	Psalms 128	
Aug-6	Ezekiel 40-42	Proverbs 16		Sep-21	Matthew 17-18	Proverbs 8	
Aug-7	Ezekiel 43-45	Psalms 109		Sep-22	Matthew 19-20	Psalms 129	
Aug-8	Ezekiel 46-48	Proverbs 17		Sep-23	Matthew 21-22	Proverbs 9	
Aug-9	Daniel 5-6	Psalms 110		Sep-24	Matthew 23	Psalms 130	
Aug-10	Daniel 7-9	Proverbs 18		Sep-25	Matthew 24-25	Proverbs 10	
Aug-11	Daniel 10-12	Psalms 111		Sep-26	Matthew 26-27	Psalms 131	
Aug-12	Joel 1-3	Proverbs 19		Sep-27	Matthew 28	Proverbs 11	
Aug-13	Ezra 1-3	Psalms 112		Sep-28	Mark 1-2	Psalms 132	
Aug-14	Ezra 4-6	Proverbs 20		Sep-29	Mark 3-4	Proverbs 12	
Aug-15	Haggai 1-2	Psalms 113		Sep-30	Mark 5-6	Psalms 133	
Aug-16	Zechariah 1-4	Proverbs 21		Oct-1	Mark 7-8	Proverbs 13	
Aug-17	Zechariah 5-9	Psalms 114		Oct-2	Mark 9-10	Psalms 134	
Aug-18	Zechariah 10-14	Proverbs 22		Oct-3	Mark 11-12	Proverbs 14	

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Oct-4	Mark 13-14	Psalms 135		Nov-19	2 Corinthians 10-13	Psalms 8	
Oct-5	Mark 15-16	Proverbs 15		Nov-20	Romans 1-2	Proverbs 7	
Oct-6	Luke 1-2	Psalms 136		Nov-21	Romans 3-4	Psalms 9	
Oct-7	Luke 3-4	Proverbs 16		Nov-22	Romans 5-6	Proverbs 8	
Oct-8	Luke 5-6	Psalms 137		Nov-23	Romans 7-8	Psalms 10	
Oct-9	Luke 7-8	Proverbs 17		Nov-24	Romans 9-11	Proverbs 9	
Oct-10	Luke 9-10	Psalms 138		Nov-25	Romans 12	Psalms 11	
Oct-11	Luke 11-12	Proverbs 18		Nov-26	Romans 13-14	Proverbs 10	
Oct-12	Luke 13-14	Psalms 139		Nov-27	Romans 15-16	Psalms 12	
Oct-13	Luke 15-16	Proverbs 19		Nov-28	Acts 20-22	Proverbs 11	
Oct-14	Luke 17-18	Psalms 140		Nov-29	Acts 23-24	Psalms 13	
Oct-15	Luke 19-20	Proverbs 20		Nov-30	Acts 25-26	Proverbs 12	
Oct-16	Luke 21-22	Psalms 141		Dec-1	Acts 27-28	Psalms 14	
Oct-17	Luke 23-24	Proverbs 21		Dec-2	Colossians 1-4	Proverbs 13	
Oct-18	Acts 1-3	Psalms 142		Dec-3	Philemon 1	Psalms 15	
Oct-19	Acts 4-6	Proverbs 22		Dec-4	Ephesians 1-3	Proverbs 14	
Oct-20	Acts 7-8	Psalms 143		Dec-5	Ephesians 4-6	Psalms 16	
Oct-21	Acts 9-10	Proverbs 23		Dec-6	Phillipians 1-4	Proverbs 15	
Oct-22	Acts 11-12	Psalms 144		Dec-7	1 Timothy 1-3	Psalms 17	
Oct-23	Acts 13-14	Proverbs 24		Dec-8	1 Timothy 4-6	Proverbs 16	
Oct-24	James 1-3	Psalms 145		Dec-9	Titus 1-3	Psalms 18	
Oct-25	James 4-5	Proverbs 25		Dec-10	1 Peter 1-5	Proverbs 17	
Oct-26	Acts 15	Psalms 146		Dec-11	2 Peter 1-3	Psalms 19	
Oct-27	Galatians 1-3	Proverbs 26		Dec-12	2 Timothy 1-4	Proverbs 18	
Oct-28	Galatians 4-6	Psalms 147		Dec-13	Jude 1	Psalms 20	
Oct-29	Hebrews 1-2	Proverbs 27		Dec-14	1 John 1-5	Proverbs 19	
Oct-30	Hebrews 3-6	Psalms 148		Dec-15	2 John 1	Psalms 21	
Oct-31	Hebrews 7-8	Proverbs 28		Dec-16	3 John 1	Proverbs 20-21	
Nov-1	Hebrews 9-11	Psalms 149		Dec-17	John 1-2	Psalms 22	
Nov-2	Hebrew 12-13	Proverbs 29		Dec-18	John 3-4	Proverbs 22-23	
Nov-3	Acts 16	Psalms 150		Dec-19	John 5-6	Psalms 23	
Nov-4	Acts 17-18	Proverbs 30		Dec-20	John 7-8	Proverbs 24-25	
Nov-5	1 Thessalonians 1-2	Psalms 1		Dec-21	John 9-10	Psalms 24	
Nov-6	1 Thessalonians 3-4	Proverbs 31		Dec-22	John 11-12	Proverbs 26-27	
Nov-7	1 Thessalonians 5	Psalms 2		Dec-23	John 13-14	Psalms 25	
Nov-8	2 Thessalonians 1-3	Proverbs 1		Dec-24	John 15-16	Proverbs 28-29	
Nov-9	Acts 19	Psalms 3		Dec-25	John 17	Psalms 26	
Nov-10	1 Corinthians 1-4	Proverbs 2		Dec-26	John 18-19	Proverbs 30-31	
Nov-11	1 Corinthians 5-8	Psalms 4		Dec-27	John 20-21	Psalms 27	
Nov-12	1 Corinthians 9-11	Proverbs 3		Dec-28	Revelation 1-5	Psalms 147	
Nov-13	1 Corinthians 12-13	Psalms 5		Dec-29	Revelation 6-11	Psalms 148	
Nov-14	1 Corinthians 14-16	Proverbs 4		Dec-30	Revelation 12-18	Psalms 149	
Nov-15	2 Corinthians 1-3	Psalms 6		Dec-31	Revelation 19-22	Psalms 150	
Nov-16	2 Corinthians 4-5	Proverbs 5					
Nov-17	2 Corinthians 6-7	Psalms 7					
Nov-18	2 Corinthians 8-9	Proverbs 6					

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1	Genesis 1-3	Psalms 1		47	Leviticus 11-13	Psalms 24	
2	Genesis 4-7	Proverbs 1		48	Leviticus 14-15	Proverbs 24	
3	Genesis 8-11	Psalms 2		49	Leviticus 16-18	Psalms 25	
4	Job 1-5	Proverbs 2		50	Leviticus 19-21	Proverbs 25	
5	Job 6-9	Psalms 3		51	Leviticus 22-23	Psalms 26	
6	Job 10-13	Proverbs 3		52	Leviticus 24-25	Proverbs 26	
7	Job 14-16	Psalms 4		53	Leviticus 26-27	Psalms 27	
8	Job 17-20	Proverbs 4		54	Numbers 1-2	Proverbs 27	
9	Job 21-23	Psalms 5		55	Numbers 3-4	Psalms 28	
10	Job 24-28	Proverbs 5		56	Numbers 5-6	Proverbs 28	
11	Job 29-31	Psalms 6		57	Numbers 7-8	Psalms 29	
12	Job 32-34	Proverbs 6		58	Numbers 9-10	Proverbs 29	
13	Job 35-37	Psalms 7		59	Numbers 11-13	Psalms 30	
14	Job 38-39	Proverbs 7		60	Numbers 14-15	Proverbs 30	
15	Job 40-42	Psalms 8		61	Numbers 16-17	Psalms 31	
16	Genesis 12-15	Proverbs 8		62	Numbers 18-20	Proverbs 31	
17	Genesis 16-18	Psalms 9		63	Numbers 21-22	Psalms 32	
18	Genesis 19-21	Proverbs 9		64	Numbers 23-25	Proverbs 1	
19	Genesis 22-24	Psalms 10		65	Numbers 26-27	Psalms 33	
20	Genesis 25-26	Proverbs 10		66	Numbers 28-30	Proverbs 2	
21	Genesis 27-29	Psalms 11		67	Numbers 31-32	Psalms 34	
22	Genesis 30-31	Proverbs 11		68	Numbers 33-34	Proverbs 3	
23	Genesis 32-34	Psalms 12		69	Numbers 35-36	Psalms 35	
24	Genesis 35-37	Proverbs 12		70	Deuteronomy 1-2	Proverbs 4	
25	Genesis 38-40	Psalms 13		71	Deuteronomy 3-4	Psalms 36	
26	Genesis 41-42	Proverbs 13		72	Deuteronomy 5-7	Proverbs 5	
27	Genesis 43-45	Psalms 14		73	Deuteronomy 8-10	Psalms 37	
28	Genesis 46-47	Proverbs 14		74	Deuteronomy 11-13	Proverbs 6	
29	Genesis 48-50	Psalms 15		75	Deuteronomy 14-16	Psalms 38	
30	Exodus 1-3	Proverbs 15		76	Deuteronomy 17-20	Proverbs 7	
31	Exodus 4-6	Psalms 16		77	Deuteronomy 21-23	Psalms 39	
32	Exodus 7-9	Proverbs 16		78	Deuteronomy 24-27	Proverbs 8	
33	Exodus 10-12	Psalms 17		79	Deuteronomy 28-29	Psalms 40	
34	Exodus 13-15	Proverbs 17		80	Deuteronomy 30-31	Proverbs 9	
35	Exodus 16-18	Psalms 18		81	Deuteronomy 32-34	Psalms 41	
36	Exodus 19-21	Proverbs 18		82	Joshua 1-4	Proverbs 10	
37	Exodus 22-24	Psalms 19		83	Joshua 5-8	Psalms 42	
38	Exodus 25-27	Proverbs 19		84	Joshua 9-11	Proverbs 11	
39	Exodus 28-29	Psalms 20		85	Joshua 12-15	Psalms 43	
40	Exodus 30-32	Proverbs 20		86	Joshua 16-18	Proverbs 12	
41	Exodus 33-35	Psalms 21		87	Joshua 19-21	Psalms 44	
42	Exodus 36-38	Proverbs 21		88	Joshua 22-24	Proverbs 13	
43	Exodus 39-40	Psalms 22		89	Judges 1-2	Psalms 45	
44	Leviticus 1-4	Proverbs 22		90	Judges 3-5	Proverbs 14	
45	Leviticus 5-7	Psalms 23		91	Judges 6-7	Psalms 46	
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97	Ruth 1-4	Psalms 49		143	Hosea 1-5	Psalms 72	
98	1 Samuel 1-3	Proverbs 18		144	Hosea 6-10	Proverbs 10	
99	1 Samuel 4-6	Psalms 50		145	Hosea 11-14	Psalms 73	
100	1 Samuel 7-9	Proverbs 19		146	2 Kings 15-17	Proverbs 11	
101	1 Samuel 10-12	Psalms 51		147	Isaiah 1-3	Psalms 74	
102	1 Samuel 13-14	Proverbs 20		148	Isaiah 4-7	Proverbs 12	
103	1 Samuel 15-16	Psalms 52		149	Isaiah 8-9	Psalms 75	
104	1 Samuel 17-18	Proverbs 21		150	Isaiah 10-12	Proverbs 13	
105	1 Samuel 19-20	Psalms 53		151	Isaiah 13-14	Psalms 76	
106	1 Samuel 21-24	Proverbs 22		152	Isaiah 15-18	Proverbs 14	
107	1 Samuel 25-27	Psalms 54		153	Isaiah 19-22	Psalms 77	
108	1 Samuel 28-31	Proverbs 23		154	Isaiah 23-25	Proverbs 15	
109	2 Samuel 1-2	Psalms 55		155	Isaiah 26-28	Psalms 78	
110	2 Samuel 3-5	Proverbs 24		156	Isaiah 29-30	Proverbs 16	
111	2 Samuel 6-8	Psalms 56		157	Isaiah 31-33	Psalms 79	
112	2 Samuel 9-12	Proverbs 25		158	Isaiah 34-35	Proverbs 17	
113	2 Samuel 13-14	Psalms 57		159	2 Kings 18-20	Psalms 80	
114	2 Samuel 15-17	Proverbs 26		160	Isaiah 36-39	Proverbs 18	
115	2 Samuel 18-19	Psalms 58		161	Micah 1-4	Psalms 81	
116	2 Samuel 20-22	Proverbs 27		162	Micah 5-7	Proverbs 19	
117	2 Samuel 23-24	Psalms 59		163	Isaiah 40-42	Psalms 82	
118	1 Kings 1-2	Proverbs 28		164	Isaiah 43-45	Proverbs 20	
119	1 Kings 3-4	Psalms 60		165	Isaiah 46-48	Psalms 83	
120	1 Kings 5-7	Proverbs 29		166	Isaiah 49-50	Proverbs 21	
121	1 Kings 8-9	Psalms 61		167	Isaiah 51-52	Psalms 84	
122	1 Kings 10-11	Proverbs 30		168	Isaiah 53-54	Proverbs 22	
123	Song of Sol. 1-4	Psalms 62		169	Isaiah 55-56	Psalms 85	
124	Song of Sol. 5-8	Proverbs 31		170	Isaiah 57-58	Proverbs 23	
125	Ecclesiastes 1-3	Psalms 63		171	Isaiah 59-61	Psalms 86	
126	Ecclesiastes 4-7	Proverbs 1		172	Isaiah 62-64	Proverbs 24	
127	Ecclesiastes 8-12	Psalms 64		173	Isaiah 65-66	Psalms 87	
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129	1 Kings 14-15	Psalms 65		175	Nahum 1-3	Psalms 88	
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131	1 Kings 18-19	Psalms 66		177	Jeremiah 1-2	Psalms 89	
132	1 Kings 20-21	Proverbs 4		178	Jeremiah 3-4	Proverbs 27	
133	1 Kings 22-2 Kings 1	Psalms 67		179	Jeremiah 5-6	Psalms 90	
134	2 Kings 2-4	Proverbs 5		180	Jeremiah 7-8	Proverbs 28	
135	2 Kings 5-6	Psalms 68		181	Jeremiah 9-10	Psalms 91	
136	2 Kings 7-8	Proverbs 6		182	Jeremiah 11-13	Proverbs 29	
137	2 Kings 9-10	Psalms 69		183	Jeremiah 14-15	Psalms 92	
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187	Jeremiah 23	Psalms 94		233	Ezra 7-10	Psalms 116	
188	Habbakkuk 1-3	Proverbs 1		234	Nehemiah 1-5	Proverbs 24	
189	2 Kings 23:31-24:17	Psalms 95		235	Nehemiah 6-7	Psalms 117	
190	Daniel 1-2	Proverbs 2		236	Nehemiah 8-10	Proverbs 25	
191	Daniel 3-4	Psalms 96		237	Nehemiah 11-13	Psalms 118	
192	2 Kings 24:18-25:26	Proverbs 3		238	Malachi 1-4	Proverbs 26	
193	Jeremiah 24-25	Psalms 97		239	1 Chronicles 1-9	Ps. 119:1-56	
194	Jeremiah 26-28	Proverbs 4		240	1 Chronicles 10-12	Proverbs 27	
195	Jeremiah 29-32	Psalms 98		241	1 Chronicles 13-15	Ps. 119:57-112	
196	Jeremiah 33-34	Proverbs 5		242	1 Chronicles 16-19	Proverbs 28	
197	Jeremiah 35-37	Psalms 99		243	1 Chronicles 20-22	Ps. 119:113-152	
198	Jeremiah 38-40	Proverbs 6		244	1 Chronicles 23-26	Proverbs 29	
199	Jeremiah 41-45	Psalms 100		245	1 Chronicles 27-29	Ps. 119:152-176	
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201	Jeremiah 49-51	Psalms 101		247	2 Chronicles 5-7	Psalms 120	
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213	Ezekiel 25-27	Psalms 106:24-48		259	Matthew 8-9	Psalms 126	
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215	Ezekiel 31-33	Psalms 107		261	Matthew 12	Psalms 127	
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217	Ezekiel 37-39	Psalms 108		263	Matthew 15-16	Psalms 128	
218	Ezekiel 40-42	Proverbs 16		264	Matthew 17-18	Proverbs 8	
219	Ezekiel 43-45	Psalms 109		265	Matthew 19-20	Psalms 129	
220	Ezekiel 46-48	Proverbs 17		266	Matthew 21-22	Proverbs 9	
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222	Daniel 5-6	Proverbs 18		268	Matthew 24-25	Proverbs 10	
223	Daniel 7-9	Psalms 111		269	Matthew 26-27	Psalms 131	
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280	Luke 3-4	Proverbs 16		326	Romans 5-6	Proverbs 8	
281	Luke 5-6	Psalms 137		327	Romans 7-8	Psalms 10	
282	Luke 7-8	Proverbs 17		328	Romans 9-11	Proverbs 9	
283	Luke 9-10	Psalms 138		329	Romans 12	Psalms 11	
284	Luke 11-12	Proverbs 18		330	Romans 13-14	Proverbs 10	
285	Luke 13-14	Psalms 139		331	Romans 15-16	Psalms 12	
286	Luke 15-16	Proverbs 19		332	Acts 20-22	Proverbs 11	
287	Luke 17-18	Psalms 140		333	Acts 23-24	Psalms 13	
288	Luke 19-20	Proverbs 20		334	Acts 25-26	Proverbs 12	
289	Luke 21-22	Psalms 141		335	Acts 27-28	Psalms 14	
290	Luke 23-24	Proverbs 21		336	Colossians 1-4	Proverbs 13	
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292	Acts 4-6	Proverbs 22		338	Ephesians 1-3	Proverbs 14	
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294	Acts 9-10	Proverbs 23		340	Phillipians 1-4	Proverbs 15	
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296	Acts 13-14	Proverbs 24		342	1 Timothy 4-6	Proverbs 16	
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306	Hebrew 12-13	Proverbs 29		352	John 3-4	Proverbs 22-23	
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308	Acts 17-18	Proverbs 30		354	John 7-8	Proverbs 24-25	
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