

Bible Reading Guide

Scripture Observe Application Prayer

August



“Ready, Set, Go” with S.O.A.P.

A systematic Bible reading plan will aid you in developing the discipline of daily Bible reading and journaling. The Ready, Set, Go plan gives you a choice of reading levels for each day of the year:

Ready – A brief Bible reading (5 minutes or so daily)

Set – A more extensive reading (10-15 minutes daily)

Go – A daily reading that will take you through the entire Bible in a year, including twice through the New Testament (30-40 minutes daily)

	READY to begin	SET to continue	GO to all God has for me
1	John 3:1-21	Isaiah 66; John 3	Isaiah 65-66; Psalm 62; John 3
2	John 4:1-42	2 Chronicles 33; John 4	2 Kings 21; 2 Chronicles 33; John 4
3	John 5:16-47	Nahum 2; John 5	Nahum 1-3; John 5
4	John 6:22-59	2 Chronicles 34; John 6	2 Kings 22; 2 Chronicles 34; John 6
5	John 7:25-52	2 Kings 23; John 7	2 Kings 23; 2 Chronicles 35; John 7
6	John 8:31-59	Habakkuk 3; John 8	Habakkuk 1-3; John 8
7	John 9:1-34	Zephaniah 2; John 9	Zephaniah 1-3; John 9
8	John 10:1-21	Jeremiah 2; John 10	Jeremiah 1-2; John 10
9	Jeremiah 4:1-18	Jeremiah 4; John 11	Jeremiah 3-4; John 11
10	John 12:1-19	Jeremiah 5; John 12	Jeremiah 5-6; John 12
11	John 13:1-17	Jeremiah 9; John 13	Jeremiah 7-9; John 13
12	John 14:15-31	Jeremiah 10; John 14	Jeremiah 10-12; John 14
13	John 15:1-17	Jeremiah 13; John 15	Jeremiah 13-15; John 15
14	John 16:16-33	Psalm 96; John 16	Jeremiah 16-17; Psalm 96; John 16
15	John 17	Jeremiah 18; Psalm 93; John 17	Jeremiah 18-20; Psalm 93; John 17
16	John 18:19-40	Jeremiah 22; John 18	2 Kings 24; Jer. 22; Ps. 112; John 18
17	Jeremiah 25:1-14	Jeremiah 25; John 19	Jeremiah 23-25; John 19
18	John 20:11-29	Jeremiah 36; John 20	Jeremiah 26, 35-36; John 20
19	John 21:15-23	Psalm 105; John 21	Jeremiah 45-47; Psalm 105; John 21
20	1 John 1	Jeremiah 48; Psalm 67; 1 John 1	Jeremiah 48-49; Psalm 67; 1 John 1
21	1 John 2:7-29	Psalm 118; 1 John 2	Jer. 21-22, 27; Psalm 118; 1 John 2
22	Jeremiah 29:1-23	Jeremiah 29; 1 John 3	Jeremiah 28-30; 1 John 3
23	1 John 4:7-21	Jeremiah 32; 1 John 4	Jeremiah 31-32; 1 John 4
24	Jeremiah 33	Jeremiah 33; 1 John 5	Jeremiah 33-34; Psalm 74; 1 John 5
25	2 John	Psalm 79; 2 John	Jeremiah 37-39; Psalm 79; 2 John
26	Jeremiah 51:1-19	Jeremiah 51; 3 John	Jeremiah 50-51; 3 John
27	Psalm 144	Psalm 144; Revelation 1	Jeremiah 52; Psalm 143-144; Rev. 1
28	Ezekiel 3:1-15	Ezekiel 3; Revelation 2	Ezekiel 1-3; Revelation 2
29	Revelation 3:7-22	Ezekiel 5; Revelation 3	Ezekiel 4-7; Revelation 3
30	Revelation 4	Ezekiel 11; Revelation 4	Ezekiel 8-11; Revelation 4
31	Revelation 5	Ezekiel 14; Revelation 5	Ezekiel 12-14; Revelation 5

Develop as many routines as you can related to your daily Bible reading. These routines can help in the formation of a positive habit.

- Choose a time of day to read.
- Choose the best place available to read.
- Have an alternate plan for non-standard days or for traveling.

When you do your daily Bible reading, you will need to bring four things with you to your “reading place”.

- Your Bible in a favorite translation
- A journal or some paper to write on
- A pen or pencil for writing your thoughts
- An open heart that desires to hear from God

How to Use S.O.A.P.

To begin, choose the Ready, Set, or Go reading. Pray and ask God to speak to you from His Word. Then prayerfully and thoughtfully read today’s passage.

- **Scripture** – Write down a Scripture – a verse or verses that stand out to you.
- **Observation** – Write an observation of how these verses affected you or how God seemed to be speaking to you from His Word.
- **Application** – Write one or more points describing how this Scripture applies to you and your situation. You may want to write some action points on how you intend to apply this to your life.
- **Prayer** – Write a brief prayer to God that expresses how you are feeling about the Scripture you’ve read and how it applies to your life.

We challenge you to try this plan for two months. If you miss a day or a few days in your reading plan, **don’t go back and try to “catch up”**. Just pick it up again with the current day’s reading. Daily Bible reading starts as a discipline and quickly becomes a delight – we don’t know of anything else we could share with you that has more potential to change your life or to allow God to become more real to you. We pray that God confirms this in your heart and that you will step out and try it!