

Bible Reading Guide

Scripture Observe Application Prayer

December



“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)

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!

	READY to begin	SET to continue	GO to all God has for me
1	Romans 6:15-23	Romans 6-7	Romans 5-8
2	Romans 12:1-8	Romans 11-12	Romans 9-12
3	Romans 14:1-12	Romans 13-14	Romans 13-16
4	Ephesians 1:15-23	Ephesians 1-2	Ephesians 1-4
5	Psalm 119:1-16	Psalm 119:1-16; Ephesians 5	Psalm 119:1-80; Ephesians 5-6
6	Philippians 2:5-18	Philippians 2-3	Philippians 1-4
7	Colossians 3:1-16	Colossians 3-4	Colossians 1-4
8	Colossians 3:1-16	1 Timothy 3-4	1 Timothy 1-4
9	Titus 2	1 Timothy 5; Titus 2	1 Timothy 5-6; Titus 3
10	2 Timothy 1:3-18	2 Timothy 1-2	2 Timothy 1-4
11	Hebrews 4:1-13	Philemon; Hebrews 4	Philemon; Hebrews 1-4
12	Hebrews 8	Hebrews 7-8	Hebrews 5-8
13	Hebrews 11:1-31	Hebrews 10-11	Hebrews 9-11
14	Hebrews 12:1-13	Hebrews 12-13	Hebrews 12-13; Jude
15	James 4:1-10	James 4-5	James 1-5
16	1 Peter 2:1-12	1 Peter 2-3	1 Peter 1-5
17	2 Peter 1:1-11	2 Peter 1; John 1	2 Peter 1-3; John 1
18	John 3:22-36	John 3-4	John 2-4
19	John 6:22-40	John 6	John 5-6
20	John 7:12-20	John 7	John 7-8
21	John 10:1-21	John 10-11	John 9-11
22	John 14:15-31	John 13-14	John 12-14
23	John 15:1-17	John 15-17	John 15-18
24	John 20:11-29	John 20-21	John 19-21
25	1 John 5:1-12	1 John 3-5	1 John 1-5
26	Psalm 119:89-112	Psalm 117; Psalm 119:81-176	Psalm 117, 119:81-176; 2 John; 3 John
27	Revelation 3:7-13	Revelation 3-4	Revelation 1-4
28	Revelation 5:1-10	Revelation 5-6	Revelation 5-9
29	Revelation 14:6-20	Revelation 14	Revelation 10-14
30	Revelation 15	Revelation 15-16	Revelation 15-18
31	Revelation 22:7-21	Revelation 21-22	Revelation 19-22