New Believers Bible Reading Plan 50 Days

When:

- Morning *or* Evening: Jesus and the psalmists are often found praying in the morning (e.g., Psalm 5:3; Luke 4:42). The evenings less so, but choose a time when you are at your best and most attentive.
- Lunch Break: If you have time during your workday to read during your lunch or another break, this might be a perfect way to spend your time.
- Anytime: Some of you may have such busy lives that you need to fit it in whenever you can. This is totally normal! Make sure that whatever time you decide to read your Bible that you are in a place where you can focus and reflect on God's Word.

What:

- **Study Bible**: We recommend the *NIV Life Application or NIV Study Bible*. If you want to get even more in-depth, look at some of the commentaries in the *NIV Application Commentary Series*.
- **Bible Reading Plan**: Choose a plan and work the plan. If you miss some days, do not try to catch up. Simply pick up where you left off.
- Journal: We recommend using a simple journal that's easy to use. You can find these at just about any store, especially bookstores or online.
- **Pen:** To take notes within your Bible or a journal.

How:

- **Pray**: Ask God to speak to you through his Word. And then *expect* God to speak. Your *approach* to God's Word will greatly impact your times of personal worship. Ask God to search your heart and to transform your life.
- **Read**: Mark up your Bible as you read. If you have an interpretive question, use the study Bible notes to explore answers. It may be helpful to join a Women's or Men's Bible study to get further direction by your peers and leaders in the church.
- Journal (try to limit it to one page per day to start): Start a new page and record the date and Scripture you read on the top line. Write down a verse or two that stood out to you, word-for-word. Stay focused on what God is saying through his Word that intersects with your everyday life. This is not about speculation, private interpretations or manipulating God's Word to say what you want it to say. This is about bringing Christ to your everyday life based on the truth of God's Word rightly interpreted.

50-Day Reading Plan

The Story of th	e Christian Faith
Day 1	Luke 1-2
Day 2	John 1:1-18
Day 3	Luke 4:14-44
Day 4	Matthew 5-6
Day 5	John 3
Day 6	John 5
Day 7	John 11
Day 8	John 15
Day 9	Matthew 26-27
Day 10	John 20, Luke 24
Day 11	Acts 2
Day 12	Acts 9, 16-19
Day 13	Acts 26
Day 14	Romans 3
Day 15	Romans 7-8
Day 16	1 Corinthians 13, Ephesians 5
Day 17	1 Corinthians 15
Day 18	Galatians 5, Ephesians 4
Day 19	Ephesians 6
Day 20	Philippians 1:18-2:18
Day 21	Colossians 3:1-17
Day 22	Hebrews 4:14-5:10
Day 23	James 1, 1 Peter 1
Day 24	1 John 4:7-21
Day 25	Revelation 21-22
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Day 26	Genesis 1:1–3:19
Day 27	Genesis 12, 28:10–15; 32:22–28
Day 28	Genesis 37, 39-46
Day 29	Exodus 1-6
Day 30	Exodus 7-14
Day 31	Exodus 19-20:21
Day 32	Deuteronomy 6:1-7:26, 11:13–21
Day 33	Judges 1:1-2:19
Day 34	1 Samuel 7-9, 1 Samuel 15-17

Day 35 2 Samuel 5, 7-9, 11-12 Day 36 1 Kings 2-3, 6, 11 Day 37 1 Kings 11:9-14:31 Day 38 1 Kings 17-19, 2 Kings 2, 4 Day 39 Job 1-2, 38-42 Day 40 Psalm 1, 23, 139 Psalm 6, 22, 38, 51 Day 41 Proverbs 3, 16, 5, 7 & 31 Day 42 Day 43 Jeremiah 11-12, 31:31-40 Day 44 Jeremiah 23:1-6; Isaiah 9:6-7, 53 Day 45 Jonah 1-4 Day 46 Daniel 1-3 Day 47 Daniel 4-6 Nehemiah 1-2, 4-5, 8-9 Day 48 Day 49 Esther 1-8 Malachi 1-4 Day 50

The Birth of Jesus The Identity of Jesus Jesus Begins His Ministry The Core of Jesus' Teachings God's Love for the World Jesus' Miracles and Authority Jesus' Power over Death The Christian Life Defined The Arrest and Crucifixion of Jesus The Resurrection of Jesus and his Ascension The Coming of the Holy Spirit The Conversion of Saul and his Ministry Paul's Defense of the Christian Faith Justification by Faith Alone The Battle with Sin: Life in the Spirit The Way of Love The Power of the Resurrection Freedom and Unity in Christ The Whole Armor of God Christ's Example Putting on the New Self Jesus the Great High Priest Pure Religion God is Love The New Heaven and Earth

The Creation and Fall of Humanity God Calls A People His Own The Story of Joseph The Call of Moses Moses and Pharaoh The 10 Commandments **Obedience Flows From Love** Cycles of Disobedience in God's People The Fall of Saul and Rise of David Tales of David's Life Solomon's Reign The Dividing of the Kingdom The Prophets Elijah and Elisha How the Righteous Respond to Hard Times Psalms that Enrich Your Soul Psalms for the Suffering and Sinful Wisdom for Everyday Life The Covenant Broken and New Covenant Jesus the Promised King The Story of Jonah Exile in Babylon The Life of Daniel The Rebuilding of Jerusalem The Story of Esther Final Words of the Old Testament