

GOD'S SURPRISING WORD

# DAILY BIBLE READING GUIDE 2026

*No one has ever seen or heard  
of a God like you,  
who does such deeds  
for those who put their hope in him.*

Isaiah 64:4 (Good News Translation)

JANUARY 2026

Heeding Jesus's Call

FEBRUARY 2026

Faith Active in Love

MARCH 2026

Turning to God  
in Prayer

APRIL 2026

Rejoicing in Hope

MAY 2026

Renewed by the Spirit

JUNE 2026

Guided by  
Faithful Witnesses

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- 1 Hebrews 1:1-14
- 2 Hebrews 2:1-15
- 3 Hebrews 3:1-19
- 4 Hebrews 4:1-13
- 5 Hebrews 4:14-5:10

### Epiphany

- 6 Matthew 2:1-12
- 7 Matthew 2:13-23
- 8 Matthew 3:10-17
- 9 Matthew 4:1-11
- 10 Matthew 4:12-25
- 11 Matthew 8:1-17
- 12 Matthew 9:18-34
- 13 Matthew 12:22-32
- 14 Matthew 14:1-21
- 15 Matthew 14:22-36
- 16 Matthew 15:1-20
- 17 Matthew 15:21-39

### Week of Prayer for Christian Unity Begins; Ecumenical Sunday

- 18 Matthew 16:1-12
- 19 Matthew 16:13-28
- 20 Matthew 17:1-13
- 21 Matthew 17:14-27
- 22 Acts 3:1-10
- 23 Acts 3:11-26
- 24 Acts 4:1-22
- 25 Acts 4:23-5:11
- 26 Acts 9:1-19a
- 27 Acts 9:19b-31
- 28 Acts 9:32-42
- 29 Acts 14:8-20
- 30 Acts 16:1-15
- 31 Acts 16:16-40

*The Octave for Christian Unity is  
January 18-25, 2026.*

FEBRUARY 2026

Faith Active in Love

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- 1 Philippians 1:1-11
- 2 Philippians 1:12-30
- 3 Philippians 2:1-11
- 4 Philippians 2:12-30
- 5 Philippians 3:1-11
- 6 Philippians 3:12-21
- 7 Philippians 4:1-9

### Epiphany

- 8 Philippians 4:10-23
- 9 Philemon 1:25
- 10 Exodus 1:1-22
- 11 Exodus 2:1-10
- 12 Exodus 2:11-25
- 13 Exodus 3:1-22
- 14 Exodus 4:1-17
- 15 Exodus 4:18-31
- 16 Exodus 6:1-13
- 17 Psalm 136

### Ash Wednesday

- 18 Psalm 51
- 19 Exodus 13:17-22
- 20 Exodus 14:1-18
- 21 Exodus 14:19-31

### First Sunday in Lent

- 22 Exodus 15:1-18
- 23 Exodus 15:19-27
- 24 Exodus 18:1-12
- 25 Romans 8:18-39
- 26 Romans 12:1-21
- 27 Romans 14:1-23
- 28 Romans 15:1-13

MARCH 2026

Turning to God  
in Prayer

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### Second Sunday in Lent

- 1 Psalm 4
- 2 Psalm 5
- 3 Isaiah 37:1-20
- 4 Isaiah 37:21-38
- 5 Isaiah 38:1-20

### World Day of Prayer

- 6 Psalm 82
- 7 Daniel 9:1-19

### Third Sunday in Lent

- 8 Jeremiah 16:14-21
- 9 Jeremiah 32:1-15
- 10 Jeremiah 32:16-35
- 11 Jeremiah 32:36-44
- 12 Habakkuk 1:1-17
- 13 Habakkuk 2:1-20
- 14 Habakkuk 3:1-19

### Ash Wednesday

- 15 Exodus 4:18-31
- 16 Exodus 6:1-13
- 17 Psalm 136
- 18 Psalm 51
- 19 Exodus 13:17-22
- 20 Exodus 14:1-18
- 21 Exodus 14:19-31

### Fourth Sunday in Lent

- 22 Exodus 15:1-18
- 23 Exodus 15:19-27
- 24 Exodus 18:1-12
- 25 Romans 8:18-39
- 26 Romans 12:1-21
- 27 Romans 14:1-23
- 28 Romans 15:1-13

### Fifth Sunday in Lent

- 29 1 Samuel 1:1-18
- 30 1 Samuel 1:19-28
- 31 1 Samuel 2:1-11
- 32 Psalm 25
- 33 Psalm 27
- 34 Psalm 31
- 35 John 17:1-26
- 36 1 Peter 1:1-12
- 37 1 Peter 1:13-25
- 38 1 Peter 2:1-10
- 39 1 Peter 2:11-25
- 40 1 Peter 3:1-22
- 41 1 Peter 4:1-19
- 42 1 Peter 5:1-13
- 43 2 Peter 1:1-21
- 44 2 Peter 2:1-22
- 45 2 Peter 3:1-18
- 46 John 10:1-21
- 47 John 10:22-41
- 48 John 5:1-18
- 49 John 5:19-29
- 50 Isaiah 35:1-10

### Palm/Passion Sunday

- 51 Matthew 21:1-27
- 52 Matthew 26:1-35
- 53 Matthew 26:36-46

APRIL 2026

Rejoicing in Hope

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### Holy Thursday

- 1 Matthew 26:47-75
- 2 Matthew 27:1-26
- 3 Isaiah 3:16-27
- 4 Ezekiel 8:1-18
- 5 Ezekiel 10:1-22
- 6 Ezekiel 11:14-25

### Good Friday

- 7 Matthew 27:27-56
- 8 Matthew 27:57-66

### Easter Sunday/Pascha

- 9 Matthew 28:1-20
- 10 Luke 24:13-25
- 11 Luke 24:36-53
- 12 Romans 1:1-17
- 13 Romans 3:21-31
- 14 Romans 4:1-12
- 15 Romans 4:13-25

### Pascha (Orthodox Easter)

- 16 Romans 5:1-11
- 17 Romans 5:12-21
- 18 Romans 6:1-14
- 19 Romans 6:15-23
- 20 1 Peter 1:1-12
- 21 1 Peter 1:13-25
- 22 1 Peter 2:1-10
- 23 1 Peter 2:11-25
- 24 1 Peter 3:1-22
- 25 1 Peter 4:1-19
- 26 1 Peter 5:1-13
- 27 2 Peter 1:1-21
- 28 2 Peter 2:1-22
- 29 2 Peter 3:1-18
- 30 1 Peter 2:1-11
- 31 1 Peter 3:1-22
- 32 1 Peter 4:1-19
- 33 1 Peter 5:1-13
- 34 2 Peter 1:1-22
- 35 2 Peter 2:1-22
- 36 2 Peter 3:1-18
- 37 John 10:1-21
- 38 John 10:22-41
- 39 John 5:1-18
- 40 John 5:19-29
- 41 Isaiah 35:1-10

### Ascension Day

- 42 Acts 1:1-11
- 43 Acts 1:12-26
- 44 Acts 1:21-20
- 45 Revelation 2:1-11
- 46 Revelation 2:12-29
- 47 Revelation 3:1-13
- 48 Revelation 3:14-22
- 49 Revelation 4:1-11
- 50 Revelation 5:1-14
- 51 Revelation 7:1-17

### Pentecost

- 52 Acts 2:1-13
- 53 Acts 2:14-28
- 54 Acts 2:29-47
- 55 Acts 10:1-33
- 56 Acts 10:34-48
- 57 Acts 11:1-18
- 58 Acts 11:19-30
- 59 Romans 8:1-17
- 60 Ezra 1:1-11
- 61 Ezra 3:1-13
- 62 Ezra 4:1-5
- 63 Ezra 4:24-5:17
- 64 Ezra 6:1-12
- 65 Ezra 6:13-22
- 66 Ezra 7:1-25
- 67 Ezra 13:1-25
- 68 Ezra 15:9-20
- 69 Ezra 16:4-22
- 70 Ezra 16:23-31
- 71 Ezra 23:1-11
- 72 Ezra 24:1-28
- 73 Ezra 24:29-33
- 74 Ezra 24:31-33
- 75 Ezra 24:35-36
- 76 Ezra 24:38-40
- 77 Ezra 24:42-44
- 78 Ezra 24:46-48
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- 81 Ezra 24:58-60
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- 238 Ezra 24:686-688
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- 240 Ezra 24:694-696
- 241 Ezra 24:698-700
- 242 Ezra 24:702-704
- 243 Ezra 24:706-708
- 244 Ezra 24:710-712
- 245 Ezra 24:714-716
- 246 Ezra 24:718-720
- 247 Ezra 24:722-724
- 248 Ezra 2

**JULY 2026**  
Proclaiming  
God's Justice

**AUGUST 2026**  
Trusting in God's Mercy  
and Providence

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- 1 Psalm 9
- 2 Psalm 10
- 3 Psalm 15
- 4 Psalm 33
- 5 Exodus 23:1-13
- 6 Leviticus 19:1-18
- 7 Leviticus 19:32-37
- 8 Deuteronomy 1:9-19
- 9 Deuteronomy 10:12-22
- 10 Deuteronomy 15:1-11
- 11 Psalm 68
- 12 Psalm 72
- 13 Psalm 75
- 14 Psalm 85
- 15 1 Kings 17:1-24
- 16 1 Kings 18:1-24
- 17 1 Kings 18:25-40
- 18 1 Kings 18:41-46
- 19 1 Kings 19:1-21
- 20 2 Kings 5:1-19a
- 21 2 Kings 5:19b-27
- 22 2 Chronicles 34:1-7
- 23 2 Chronicles 34:8-28
- 24 2 Chronicles 34:29-33
- 25 Isaiah 2:1-5
- 26 Isaiah 55:1-13
- 27 Isaiah 56:1:1-12
- 28 Isaiah 58:1-14
- 29 Isaiah 59:1-21
- 30 Jeremiah 3:6-18
- 31 Jeremiah 7:1-15

**SEPTEMBER 2026**  
Growing in God's  
Wisdom

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- 1 Nehemiah 1:1-11
- 2 Nehemiah 2:1-20
- 3 Nehemiah 4:1-23
- 4 Nehemiah 5:1-13
- 5 Nehemiah 5:14-19
- 6 Nehemiah 8:1-12
- 7 Nehemiah 8:13-18
- 8 Nehemiah 9:1-5
- 9 Nehemiah 9:6-14
- 10 Nehemiah 9:15-25
- 11 Nehemiah 9:26-38
- 12 Nehemiah 12:27-43
- 13 Nehemiah 12:44-47
- 14 Job 1:1-12
- 15 Job 1:13-22
- 16 Job 2:1-13
- 17 Job 19:13-27a
- 18 Job 32:1-10
- 19 Job 35:1-16
- 20 Job 36:5-26
- 21 Job 38:1-18
- 22 Job 40:1-24
- 23 Job 42:1-17
- 24 Leviticus 16:1-19
- 25 Leviticus 16:20-34
- 26 Isaiah 40:1-31
- 27 Isaiah 43:1-21
- 28 Lamentations 3:1-17
- 29 Haggai 1:1-15
- 30 Haggai 2:1-23
- 31 Zechariah 1:1-17

**OCTOBER 2026**  
Putting Faith  
into Action

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- 1 Matthew 5:1-12
- 2 Matthew 5:13-26
- 3 Matthew 5:33-48
- 4 Matthew 6:1-15
- 5 Matthew 6:16-23
- 6 Matthew 6:24-34
- 7 Matthew 7:1-12
- 8 Matthew 7:13-29
- 9 Matthew 13:1-23
- 10 Matthew 13:24-43
- 11 Matthew 13:44-58
- 12 Matthew 25:1-13
- 13 Matthew 25:14-30
- 14 Matthew 25:31-46
- 15 Proverbs 1:1-33
- 16 Proverbs 3:1-35
- 17 Proverbs 4:1-27
- 18 Proverbs 8:1-36
- 19 Proverbs 9:1-18
- 20 Proverbs 10:1-32
- 21 Ecclesiastes 3:1-15
- 22 Ecclesiastes 3:16-4:16
- 23 Ecclesiastes 5:1-20
- 24 Ecclesiastes 7:1-25
- 25 Ecclesiastes 11:9-12:14
- 26 Psalm 37
- 27 1 Corinthians 1:1-17
- 28 1 Corinthians 1:18-31
- 29 1 Corinthians 2:1-16
- 30 1 Corinthians 3:1-23

**NOVEMBER 2026**  
Offering God Thanks  
and Praise

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- 1 Daniel 1:1-21
- 2 Daniel 2:1-13
- 3 Daniel 2:14-23
- World Communion Sunday**
- 4 Daniel 2:24-49
- 5 Daniel 3:1-18
- 6 Daniel 3:19-30
- 7 Daniel 4:1-18
- 8 Daniel 4:19-33
- 9 Daniel 4:34-37
- 10 Daniel 5:1-12
- 11 Daniel 5:13-31
- 12 Daniel 6:1-10
- 13 Daniel 6:11-28
- 14 Esther 2:1-23
- 15 Esther 3:1-15
- 16 Esther 4:1-17
- 17 Esther 5:1-14
- 18 Esther 6:1-13
- 19 Esther 6:14-7:10
- 20 Esther 8:1-17
- 21 Esther 9:1-19
- 22 Esther 9:20-10:3
- 23 Ruth 1:1-22
- 24 Ruth 2:1-23
- 25 Ruth 3:1-18
- 26 Ruth 4:1-22
- 27 James 1:1-27
- 28 James 2:1-26
- 29 James 3:1-18
- 30 James 4:1-17
- 31 James 5:1-20
- Thanksgiving Day**
- 26 Psalm 65
- 27 Psalm 66
- 28 Psalm 67
- First Sunday of Advent**
- 29 Mark 13:1-13
- 30 Mark 13:24-37

**DECEMBER 2026**  
Sharing the Joy  
of the Lord

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- 1 Psalm 24
- 2 Daniel 12:1-13
- 3 Malachi 1:1-14
- 4 Malachi 2:1-16
- 5 Malachi 2:17-3:5
- Second Sunday of Advent**
- 6 Malachi 3:6-18
- 7 Malachi 4:1-6
- 8 Isaiah 60:1-22
- 9 Isaiah 61:1-11
- 10 Isaiah 62:1-12
- 11 Isaiah 63:1-14
- 12 Isaiah 63:15-64:12
- Third Sunday of Advent**
- 13 Isaiah 66:1-11
- 14 Isaiah 66:12-24
- 15 Isaiah 49:8-23
- 16 Isaiah 51:1-16
- 17 Isaiah 52:1-12
- 18 Isaiah 7:1-25
- 19 Isaiah 8:1-15
- Fourth Sunday of Advent**
- 20 Isaiah 8:16-9:7
- 21 Luke 1:1-25
- 22 Luke 1:26-56
- 23 Luke 1:57-80
- 24 Luke 2:1-21
- Christmas Day**
- 25 John 1:1-18
- 26 John 1:19-34
- 27 John 1:35-51
- 28 Luke 2:22-52
- 29 Revelation 19:1-10
- 30 Revelation 21:1-17
- 31 Revelation 22:1-21

*Everything written in the Scriptures was written to teach us, in order that we might have hope through the patience and encouragement which the Scriptures give us.*

Romans 15:4 (Good News Translation)

## Getting the Most Out of Your Daily Bible Reading

As you read the Bible each day, allow the Scriptures to speak to you. This daily "dialogue" between you and the biblical text will reveal new understandings about God, and about yourself.

**Pray** with focus and openness to see what God has for you:

*God, connect with me here, as I seek you in your Word.*

**Read** the selected passage of Scripture slowly. Take note of intriguing words or phrases. Read them a second time.

**Reflect** on what strikes you as you read. Think through what God is communicating to you at this point in your life.

**Respond** to the passage. Speak to God directly about what's on your mind and heart. Look for ways to live out what you've uncovered.

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