

Kyrie Christian Fellowship

How to Study the Bible

Part Three -
Reading Plans &
Sample Study

Different Daily Reading Plans

- ❖ Chronological Lectionary (whole Bible in 3 Months)
- ❖ 1 Old Testament, 1 New Testament, 1 Psalm, 1 Proverb
- ❖ 5 Psalms, 1 Proverb (All of Psalms and Proverbs in one month)
- ❖ Straight through a book, a few chapters at a time, alternating OT and NT
- ❖ A Section at a time (Pentateuch, Minor Prophets, Epistles, Gospels), turn around and repeat
- ❖ 7 Chapters a day takes you through the whole Bible in 6 months

Key Aspects of any Reading Plan

- ❖ 2-3 chapters at a time, or more
- ❖ Bigger Picture
- ❖ Context
- ❖ Flow of thought, narrative, argument
- ❖ Meditation
- ❖ Delight

Blessed is the man
who walks not in the counsel of the wicked,
nor stands in the way of sinners,
nor sits in the seat of scoffers;
but his delight is in the law of the Lord,
and on his law he meditates day and night.

He is like a tree
planted by streams of water
that yields its fruit in its season,
and its leaf does not wither.
In all that he does, he prospers.

The wicked are not so,
but are like chaff that the wind drives away.
Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment,
nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous;
for the Lord knows the way of the righteous,
but the way of the wicked will perish.

I will meditate on your precepts
and fix my eyes on your ways.
I will delight in your statutes;
I will not forget your word.

- Psalm 119:15-16

I remember the days of old;
I meditate on all that you have done;
I ponder the work of your hands.

- Psalm 143:5

Sample Study - Observe

- ❖ Adverbs
- ❖ Conjunctions
- ❖ Quotes
- ❖ Names Places

Sample Study - Interpret

- ❖ What do the adverbs mean?
- ❖ What are the conjunctions pointing to?
- ❖ How is the OT Passage, if there is one, relevant? (Hint: it always is)
- ❖ Who are the people, and where are the places?
- ❖ Why are they important? (Hint: they always are)

Sample Study - Apply

- ❖ Where am I in this?
- ❖ What does this mean for my life?
- ❖ If this passage were being turned into a movie, who would I be cast as? (Honestly, now...)

Sample Study - Act

- ❖ What do I now need to do differently?
- ❖ What habits need to change?
- ❖ How is this an encouragement?
- ❖ In what ways do I need to trust Jesus more?

Helpful Online Resources

- ❖ ccel.org
- ❖ scripture4all.org (helpful interlinear versions)
- ❖ blueletterbible.org
- ❖ tb-church.org/kyrie_christian_fellowship
- ❖ tb-church.org/Blog/study