

Scriptures and Doctrine :: Reading Through the Bible**Reading Through the Bible - posted by TMK (), on: 2016/12/30 12:09**

January 1 is fast approaching and I do plan on reading through the Bible this coming year. I'll likely use the traditional "one year bible" plan which is about 3 OT chapters, 1 NT chapter, a psalm (or part of one) and some verses from proverbs daily. It takes about 15-20 minutes per day.

I have read through the Bible numerous times but didn't do it last year which I regret; I am not doing it this coming year for any legalistic reason- just want to.

Join me if you wish.

Re: Reading Through the Bible - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2016/12/30 12:20

Brother,

I have had serious thought to post a weekly reading plan for the bible on SermonIndex that would read through the entire scriptures every 3 years. Perhaps this could be something that would encourage more community on SermonIndex. Also a more intensive bible reading is wonderful as you are suggesting also.

Re: YouVersion App, on: 2016/12/30 12:50

The YouVersion app has many different plans available in different translations that will take you through the Bible.

One that I have used will take you to the Bible in 3 months. You can either listen to it which I do or read through the text. In about an hour a day you would have covered Genesis through Revelation in 90 days. The nice thing about this app is that it bookmarks where you left off at the end of your daily reading.

I do agree that as the first of the year approaches it is a good thing to get into God's word.

Lord willing I intend to use the 90-day plan on the YouVersion app starting January 1st. One of the easiest ways I found to get through the whole Bible at a comfortable pace without feeling pressured.

Bro Blaine

Re: - posted by TMK (), on: 2016/12/30 13:46

I noted that there is also an iPhone app for the One Year Bible audio version that costs 5.95.

I love listening to the Bible but my mind tends to wander especially when I'm driving.

But of course your mind can wander while reading as well. The key to Bible reading or listening is to do so actively and more importantly expectantly.

Re: - posted by ccchhhrrriiisss (), on: 2016/12/30 19:42

Greg, that is a great idea! I know so many people who struggle with reading the Scriptures. I know several who have never read the entire Bible even though they have known the Lord for decades.

On a different note: Is there a SermonIndex channel on TuneIn or any other source? We have an Amazon Echo in our home that we use to listen to the audio Bible, music as well as different "podcasts" of sermons and Bible teachings from different teachers. We can speak to our Echo device or Google Home device to play J. Vernon McGee's "Thru the Bible" radio teachings and it does.

I know that there is an iTunes podcast. However, I think that it would be great to have a presence elsewhere (like TuneIn) that could feature the same messages -- or a different message each day.

This is helpful to many Android users as well as individuals who use web browsers to hear teaching messages. If you include search terms in your listing, it might open the door to many different people to hear this treasury of messages!

Here's a link about adding a podcast to TuneIn:

<http://help.tunein.com/customer/portal/articles/1215148-how-do-i-add-my-podcast-to-tunein->

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2016/12/30 20:11

Thank you brother,

I have gone ahead and submitted the SermonIndex.net Classics Podcast to be imported as an TuneIn Channel. I will let you know if they approve it.

There are various online radio stations that have and do use SermonIndex sermons. I have thought of the idea of putting all the messages in a radio format but am not sure how much work-load that would be. We are glad for current radio stations to be using the materials!

Re: - posted by JFW (), on: 2016/12/30 20:16

A chronological reading has been of some interest to me... have any of you saints ever read it that way? If so did you find it beneficial ?

I know blue letter bible (fav app) has a 365 day chronological reading plan-

Re: - posted by TMK (), on: 2016/12/30 20:42

Fletcher- 2 years ago I did the chronological reading. It was helpful especially in seeing where the prophets meshed with the OT Kings. The only thing I didn't really like was that it took forever to get to the NT, although some NT passages like parts of John 1 appear early in the narrative.

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2016/12/30 20:47

Quote:
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A brother I know in Missouri just put together a wonderful chronological study you can see it at: <http://www.biblestudytogether.com>

Re: - posted by dolfan (), on: 2016/12/31 0:10

For three years in a row I read thru chronologically. Loved it. Immensely helpful. Took this year 2016 "off" I guess from a read thru. Regret it. Will read thru again in 2017.

Think I will read MEV this time. Read NASB (1x) and ESV (twice) the previous 3 yrs. Really am liking MEV and love that it is translated from Masoretic and Received Text.

Re: - posted by JFW (), on: 2016/12/31 1:05

:)))!!!

Thank you for the feedback and encouragement,... I'm excited to start!

Re: , on: 2017/1/1 9:11

I just started the YouVersion plan listening to the whole Bible in 90 days. (Or one can read thru it). I have used this plan before. A comfortable pace to get thru entire Bible in 90 or so days. Each daily selection is about an hour. App tracks your daily selections. Number of well known translations and readers one can choose from.

Nice thing about listening to Old Testament is someone else pronounces the OT names.

I would recommend this plan for someone who has not gone through the whole Bible, but desires to.

If entire Bible too much for now. YouVersion has other good plans available. As a certain athletic company used to say ...Just do it.

Because of Him.

Bro Blaine

Re: - posted by narrowpath, on: 2017/1/1 17:29

I tried many bible reading plans. I learned that it is good to strike a balance between and a good routine that should not become a dead ritual and discipline with should not be legalistic.

I now work with 4 bookmarks to ensure I get through the bible regularly and in the proportion to its importance. This shuffling method gives me a good balance of NT, OT books of Moses, history, OT Prophets as well as Psalms and Proverbs. It works a bit like a clock movement with different cogs. I get through the NT more often than the OT but get a good deal of psalms and proverbs, too.

Bookmark #1

2 chapters a day in the NT. I always read it in the same order:

Matthew followed by Romans and Corinthians.

Mark and then the rest of the Pauline Epistles ending with Hebrews (most likely Pauline).

Luke and Acts - same author, continuation

John and the rest of the epistles and Revelation - beginning and end.

Bookmark #2

Pentateuch and History books

2 chapters a day in the OT from Genesis to 2. Chronicles

Bookmark #3. Prophets, Post-Exile, Poetry and Wisdom

2 chapters a day starting from Esra - skipping Psalms and Proverbs over to Ecclesiastes up to Maleachi

Bookmark No. 4 Psalms and Proverbs

2 Psalms most days, and when I get to a Psalm with a number ending 5 or 0 I have 1 Psalm and 1 Proverb instead.

Only when I get to Psalm 119 I make it my sole bible reading that day.

This is 8 chapters a day. It gets you

nearly 3 times a year through the NT

roughly twice a year through the OT

Roughly 4 times a year through the Psalms and Proverbs

I have been using this method for many years and I am very happy with it. I just recently split up the OT in 2 sections because I wanted more diversity in my daily reading. I follow this most days.

My advice for someone who just starts: better regular and smaller portions than larger portions and getting the hangup soon.

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Maybe start with 3 or 4 chapters a day. Make sure you read NT and OT parallel.