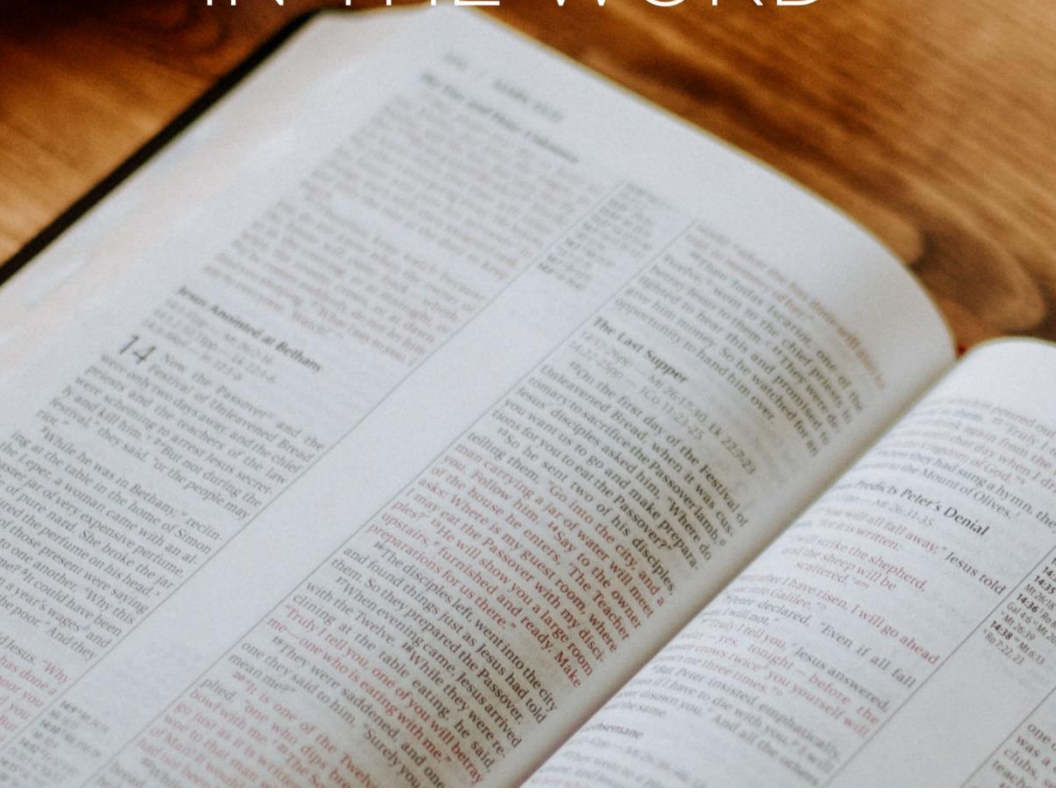


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# Anchored IN THE WORD



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**The Last Supper**  
14 On the first day of the Festival of Unleavened Bread, when it was customary to sacrifice the Passover lamb, Jesus said to his disciples, "Where do you want us to go and make preparations for us to eat the Passover?" They asked him, "Where do you want us to go and make preparations?" He sent two of his disciples, saying to them, "Go into the city and a man carrying a jar of water will meet you. Follow him to the house he enters. The Teacher will show you a large room upstairs, furnished and ready. Make preparations for us here." The disciples left and went into the city and found things just as Jesus had told them. So they prepared the Passover. When evening came, Jesus arrived and found things set as he had said. "Truly I tell you, one of you will betray me—one who is eating with me," they said to him. "Surely you

**Book of Peter's Denial**  
"I will all fall away," Jesus told them. "The sheep will be scattered, son of man." "I will not," Peter declared. "Even if all fall away, I will not." "Truly I tell you," Jesus answered, "before the rooster crows twice, you yourself will have denied me three times. And all the others will do the same."

# About this reading plan

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The plan that we are using this year has 5 days per week assigned for reading. It provides readings from different portions of Scripture each day. Every day includes a portion from the Old and New Testament with the Psalms sprinkled in.

If you read them all the portions each day, you'll read through the entire Bible in 2022! If that sounds exciting, go for it! If that looks like it will be hard to be consistent, then read the NT portions along with the selections from Psalms. Doing that will only require 1 chapter most days of the year.

Committing to be part of a Discipleship Group is one way to help yourself be consistent. Each week as part of our groups, we'll go over the readings from last week together. Since you'll be reading along with others in our church, it will be easier to discuss what you are reading with other believers.

In this guide you will find the readings for the current month. Also included is a summary plus a question to help you investigate further and/or apply the Word to your life.

Remember to pray before, during and in response to reading. Whether prompted by the questions provided or by the Spirit, think of your time in the Word as time with God Himself, and include prayer as part of your response. Consider doing so with a pen so you can bring what the Lord has been teaching you to your discipleship groups. Journal space is provided.

## Week 23 / Day 1

### ☐ Proverbs 3-5

Solomon shows the importance of trusting in God with all of one's heart and of listening to a father's wisdom to keep one away from the wicked. Chapter 5 is a strong warning against adultery.

*What does God do with those He loves?*

### ☐ Romans 10

The Israelites have rejected Christ because they fail to recognize that he is the demonstration of God's righteousness. Anyone who calls on his name can be saved. Israel's disobedience and the Gentiles' receptivity was predicted by Israel's own prophets.

*How does God describe the people that he stretched out his hands to all day long?*

## Week 23 / Day 2

### ☐ Proverbs 6-7

Hard work is commended before additional warnings are given against adultery. These chapters are full of wisdom for those who seek to avoid unfaithfulness.

*List the main lesson you took from today's reading.*

### ☐ Psalm 7

When David was persecuted and attacked, he was motivated to examine his life for sin, after which he called upon God to deliver him.

*What happens to the boastful?*

### ☐ Romans 11

In spite of their unbelief all hope is not lost for Israel. Paul makes two arguments, one present and one future: even now a faithful remnant of Israel does believe, and eventually the salvation of the gentiles will make Israel jealous enough to return to God.

*Who is the wild olive tree?*

## Week 23 / Day 3

### ☐ Proverbs 8-10

The call of wisdom stands in contrast with the call of sin featured in yesterday's reading. Both are continually calling out to mankind. Pay attention to the contrasts of their appeals and outcomes as you read.

*What is the most important truth you will take away from these proverbs?*

### ☐ Psalm 144

David asked God for victory over threatening enemies. Victory belongs to God, who is with him and for him.

*Which image that David uses of Yahweh is most meaningful to you personally?*

### ☐ Romans 12

The only appropriate response to the mercy of God is to give themselves fully to God and then use the gifts that God gives them for the benefit of everyone. Believers are to respond to opposition by not getting even but rather doing good.

*What should we hate and to what should we cling?*

## Week 23 / Day 4

### ☐ Proverbs 11-13

The contrasts between wisdom and folly continue. Security is found in honesty, in righteousness, in wise speech, and in generosity. Those who experience the good life are wise in their speech and actions.

*What does God think of lying lips?*

### ☐ Psalm 8

God is majestic, of course, but surprisingly, so are humans. We have a noble and humbling role as rulers and stewards of His creation. The greatness of God is seen in His power to use the weakness of man to overthrow the mighty and in His ability to manage His creation.

*Who is a little lower than the angels?*

### ☐ Romans 13

Paul directs believers to submit to government authorities, be guided by the principle of love as the fulfillment of the law, and live Christlike lives in expectation of the end.

*How do you put on the Lord Jesus Christ?*

## Week 23 / Day 5

### ☐ Proverbs 14-15

The one who fears Yahweh walks with discernment. The difference between the wise and the wicked is evident in their speech, in their response to correction, and in their disposition.

*In what does Yahweh delight and love?*

### ☐ Romans 14

Christians must live together in peace—even though they will have different convictions about whether to observe Jewish feasts and dietary rules. Avoid judging one another over doubtful things. All must bow to Jesus and all will be judged on this basis. So don't hinder anyone from bowing to Jesus.

*Who does Paul describe as weak in faith?*





## Week 24 / Day 1

### ☐ Proverbs 16-18

Chapters 16-17 emphasize the heart. Our hearts should be submitted to God's authority and you will find many ways to test your own heart as you read. Chapter 18 highlights friendship and our speech.

*What characteristics of a good friend do you find here?*

### ☐ Romans 15

The strong have a responsibility to build up the weak and bear with them. Each Christian is responsible to act for the benefit of other Christians. Believers should welcome one another just as God has welcomed them. Paul pleads for their prayers and support on his behalf.

\*Where did Paul plan to take the gospel?\*

## Week 24 / Day 2

### ☐ Proverbs 19-21

True wealth can be found in God-honoring relationships. A righteous leader works to remove evil and evil doers.

*What is the most important truth you will take away from these proverbs?*

### ☐ Psalm 40

David recalls Yahweh's past deliverance from trouble and petitions God to save him from his present ordeal.

*Why does David say that Yahweh does not delight in sacrifices and offerings?*

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## Week 24 / Day 3

### ☐ **Proverbs 22-23**

These chapters are full of wisdom about wealth. God is sovereign over wealth. We must handle it with integrity and obtain it properly.

*List at least two financial lessons you can learn from these proverbs.*

### ☐ **Psalm 117**

Everyone should praise Yahweh because His lovingkindness is great and His truth is eternal.

*How has God's lovingkindness been demonstrated to you lately?*

### ☐ **1 Thessalonians 1**

Paul thanks God for the Thessalonians' faith, love, hope, election, imitation, perseverance, and witness.

*What regions were impacted by the Thessalonians' testimony?*

## Week 24 / Day 4

### ☐ Proverbs 24-25

Wisdom provides help in difficult situations. A wise person advances through honesty and hard work. Chapter 25 is full of wisdom for workers about how to navigate dealing with authorities and a variety of social situations.

*What do princes need to be successful in the royal court?*

### ☐ Psalm 41

David's illness is made more painful by his enemies' gloating and his friend's betrayal. Jesus knows what that is like (John 13:18). Though a sinner, David is a man of integrity; as such, he looks to God for healing, forgiveness, and vindication.

*How would he know that God was pleased with him?*

### ☐ 1 Thessalonians 2

Paul recounts the manner his team arrived in Thessalonica. They came as messengers from God: straightforward, selfless, kind, sacrificial, and diligent. Their reception of the gospel led to opposition from the unbelieving. This suffering makes Paul desire to return to them quickly.

*Who hindered Paul from coming to the Thessalonians?*

## Week 24 / Day 5

### ☐ Proverbs 26-28

Solomon addresses how to respond to fools, sluggards, troublemakers, and deceivers. The qualities of true friendship are recorded in chapter 27 while chapter 28 exalts a righteous lifestyle.

*What happens when the righteous triumph and the wicked lose power?*

### ☐ 1 Thessalonians 3

Timothy was sent to establish and to comfort them in the trouble they were warned about. They should stand fast and increase in love in preparation for the second coming of Christ.

*How often did Paul pray for them?*



## Week 25 / Day 1

### ☐ Proverbs 29-31

After discussing various characteristics of a blessed life, Solomon urges us to take refuge in God's words. A wise life is commended, and the virtuous woman is described.

*What is one lesson that King Lemuel's mother taught him?*

### ☐ 1 Thessalonians 4

Paul urges them to walk in purity, justice, and love. Some have already died in Christ prior to the second coming; however, they will not miss out — Christ will call them up first.

*If we reject holiness, who are we rejecting?*

## Week 25 / Day 2

### ☐ **Song of Solomon 1-3**

There are many interpretations of this book, but the best way to approach it is to take it at face value. Solomon tells a poetic love story that exalts the purity of marital romance. This first portion covers the courtship and the start of the wedding procession.

*Who is the beloved in this story?*

### ☐ **Psalm 72**

Solomon prays for the earthly, temporal blessings of God to rest upon his reign but looks ahead to the Lord Jesus Christ, who will reign forever. We don't have a king to pray for, but like Israel we long for good government. Here's a model for what we pray and labor for.

*Who will the King help?*

### ☐ **1 Thessalonians 5**

Christ will come back unexpectedly, but we needn't fear God's wrath since Jesus has saved us. In the present, they should follow their leaders and walk in holiness.

*What are we to abstain from?*



## Week 25 / Day 3

### ☐ **Song of Solomon 4-6**

The two main characters in this story are the bride (the Shulamite) and Solomon. But there are others including the frequently appearing "daughters of Jerusalem." Keeping these characters separate is important to follow the train of thought. *What were the daughters of Jerusalem to tell the Shulamite's beloved?*

### ☐ **2 Thessalonians 1**

The Thessalonians' testimony encourages Paul and everyone who hears it. God will judge those who persecute them and give rest to the believers when Jesus returns. Paul prays that they could glorify God now as they will then.

*On what two groups of people will the Lord take vengeance?*

## Week 25 / Day 4

### ☐ **Song of Solomon 7-8**

The beloved tells his wife how attractive she is. She responds in the same manner. They renew their love reminiscent of the way they first came together.

*What is as strong as death?*

### ☐ **Psalm 127**

Solomon teaches that a godly home and successful work cannot occur apart from Yahweh's blessing.

*How are children described here? What is the significance?*

### ☐ **2 Thessalonians 2**

Beware of false teaching and deceit. Christ will not return without a falling away first and the revelation of the Antichrist. Those that follow this evil one will be damned. But Paul thanks God that the Thessalonians are saved and prays that they will be established in the truth.

*Who are the ones that receive the delusion?*

## Week 25 / Day 5

### ☐ 1 Kings 5; 2 Chronicles 2

Solomon gathers supplies to begin the work of building a permanent Temple for Israel to worship Yahweh. Notice how Solomon's appeal to Hiram reveals the greatness of his conception of God.

*How many men did Solomon have to help construct the temple?*

### ☐ 2 Thessalonians 3

He requests prayer for the message of the gospel to go forward, and he asks protection from persecutors. They should withdraw from every disobedient brother.

*How should we treat the one who is a lazy busybody?*



## Week 26 / Day 1

### ☐ 1 Kings 6; 2 Chronicles 3

Construction of the Temple begins and the main structure is completed. The importance of this building to Israel is highlighted by the detailed description of the work.

*What condition on His blessing of Israel did Yahweh relate to Solomon?*

### ☐ 1 Timothy 1

Paul contrasts the false teachings some have been proclaiming with the true teaching regarding Christ Jesus, which he has proclaimed and encourages Timothy to continue proclaiming to the Ephesians.

*What two men were examples of shipwrecked faith?*

## Week 26 / Day 2

### ☐ **1 Kings 7; 2 Chronicles 4**

Other building projects of Solomon are described to demonstrate his greatness. The furnishings for the Temple are made with great skill and expense.

*What was the weight of the precious metals used in the Temple?*

### ☐ **Psalm 44**

The psalmist rejoices in God's past victories on behalf of his people, is perplexed by their current defeats, and prays for times of victory to return.

*What condition were the people in now?*

### ☐ **1 Timothy 2**

Pray for authorities and all men to be converted. Men and women should pray in holiness and faith. The role of women in the church is addressed.

*What should women adorn themselves with?*

## Week 26 / Day 3

### ☐ 1 Kings 8

All of the Temple is complete, and the Ark of the Covenant is brought in. The glory of Yahweh fills the Temple. King Solomon offers thanks to God leads the people in a dedicatory prayer. His prayer acknowledges that obedience is necessary for the Lord's blessing, but he pleads for mercy when they sin in the days to come.

*Why does Solomon not want Yahweh to leave them?*

### ☐ Psalm 30

David testifies to a time God lifted him from unspecified depths. He learned that the darkness doesn't last, and rejoicing comes in the morning.

*What hints do you find that David's troubles may have been caused by his self-sufficiency?*

### ☐ 1 Timothy 3

Qualifications given for those who desire church leadership so that God's church can be organized properly.

*How is the church described in this chapter?*

## Week 26 / Day 4

### ☐ 2 Chronicles 5-7

As the ark is brought into the temple, Solomon praises the Lord for keeping his promise to David. As he dedicates the temple, Solomon prays that the Lord will listen to the prayers of his people and foreigners coming from the temple and respond with forgiveness, justice, and salvation.

*What refrain was sung after all the furniture was placed in the Temple?*

### ☐ Psalm 121

The psalmist relies upon Yahweh to be his supernatural strength to complete the will of God before him.

*Why is God the greatest guardian?*

### ☐ 1 Timothy 4

The end times are marked by people departing from the faith, spurred on by devilish teaching from deceitful teachers. Timothy is urged to warn others of this and give himself completely to the truth.

*Why does he say bodily exercise only benefits a little?*



## Week 26 / Day 5

### ☐ 1 Kings 9; 2 Chronicles 8

Yahweh appears to Solomon a second time. He affirms both His covenant and the need for Israel's faithfulness. Solomon's achievements and the glory of the Temple are the pinnacle of Israel's prosperity.

*Why did Solomon not want Pharaoh's daughter to live in the City of David?*

### ☐ 1 Timothy 5

Paul tells how to treat older folks and widows in the church. He is concerned that those who have no family be cared for by God's family. Pastors should be treated well and chosen carefully.

*What should younger widows do?*

