

THE WHOLE BIBLE READING PLAN

This Month's Memory Verse

Do not be conformed to this age, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, so that you may discern what is the good, pleasing, and perfect will of God.
Romans 12:2

June 2

Title: Wisdom for God's People

Passage: Proverbs 1-4

Christ Connection:

God gives us wisdom. He made everything and knows how it works best. Everyone sins and makes foolish choices, but God sent His Son to save us. Jesus makes us wise and holy, and He frees us from sin.

Questions to Discuss:

- What is one thing you remember from this week's Bible story?
- What does it mean to fear God?
- What is wisdom?

Family Connection:

Create a "Family Book of Wisdom" to contain wise rules and practices for your home based on biblical principles. Notice family members making decisions this week. Affirm wise decisions and gently correct foolish ones.

Parent Action:

Read Proverbs 1:8-9. The words we speak over our kids have power. They will wear our instruction and teaching like crowns and necklaces. What will their crowns and necklaces look like? Ask God for wisdom as you parent.

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Title: Solomon Built the Temple

Passage: 1 Kings 6-9

Christ Connection:

The temple was a place where God met with His people. The people could go there to make sacrifices and worship God. Today, when we trust in Jesus, He is with us wherever we go. We can look to Him for forgiveness and help.

Questions to Discuss:

- What is one thing you remember from this week's Bible story?
- What was God's promise to Solomon?
- How did the people of Israel feel when God's cloud went into the temple?

Family Connection:

Gather blocks, Legos, or other items to "build" with. Encourage your kids to get creative and build something. Take a moment to allow each child to explain what they built and why. Ask them how they feel about their building (excited, proud, etc.). Remind them of how the Israelites felt when the cloud went into the temple. Explain that this proved that God kept His promise. God would keep another promise by sending the ultimate sacrifice for our sins, Jesus. Because of Jesus, we don't have to make sacrifices at the temple. God is with us wherever we go!

Parent Action:

Because of Jesus, we don't have to make sacrifices at the temple. Give thanks to God because we can go to Him directly for forgiveness and help.

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Title: Solomon Thought About Life

Passage: Ecclesiastes 1:1-11

Christ Connection:

Apart from God, life does not make sense. God created everything, and He gives everything a purpose. Jesus gives us purpose for living. Jesus came so that we might live for Him and have a full, meaningful life.

Questions to Discuss:

- What is one thing you remember from this week's Bible story?
- Who gives life purpose?
- Why can we trust God?

Family Connection:

Watch a sunset or sunrise. Talk about how God makes the sun rise and set each and every day. Explain how each one is unique with different colors and textures across the sky. Discuss how each person in your family is different. What unique qualities does each person have? Read Ephesians 2:10 together. Explain that, although we are all different, God created us on purpose for a purpose.

Parent Action:

In what areas of your life do you need to let go of control and trust God? Write down Proverbs 3:5-6 on a card or paper. Place it somewhere you will see often to remind yourself to trust the Lord.

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Title: The Kingdom Divided

Passage: 1 Kings 11-12

Christ Connection:

No king led God's people perfectly. Solomon sinned, and Israel was divided between two kings. God's people needed a perfect king. God would send His own Son, Jesus, to be King. Jesus is better than Solomon. Jesus is a perfect King who brings God's people together.

Questions to Discuss:

- What is one thing you remember from this week's Bible story?
- If Solomon had so much wisdom, why did he sin?
- Who is the perfect King? Why?

Family Connection:

Go outside and do a three-legged race. Have two people stand together side-by-side. Tie together the legs that are side-by-side. Tell the pair to race from one point to the other. Once everyone has had a chance to race, sit down and discuss the race. Explain how if each person tried to run on their own, they would fall down, but if the pair worked together, they could run together without falling. Discuss how when we try to do life on our own, we fall down. But when we trust God's plans and listen to His wisdom, we can run and not fall.

Parent Action:

James 1:5 says that when we are lacking wisdom, we can ask God who will give it generously. In what areas of your life do you need to ask for wisdom?

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June 30

Title: Jeroboam Disobeyed God

Passage: 1 Kings 12-13

Christ Connection:

Sin always leads us away from God. Jesus came to bring us back to God. Jesus' kingdom will last forever.

Questions to Discuss:

- What is one thing you remember from this week's Bible story?
- What did King Jeroboam want the people to worship?
- What kinds of things can become idols in our lives?

Family Connection:

The next time you're in the car, ask the kids to point out the road signs. Discuss each sign's message and purpose. Explain that if people ignored road signs, it might get you in trouble or hurt someone. Remind kids that God's Word points us to worship the one true God, and it ultimately points us to Jesus as the Savior we need.

Parent Action:

What takes your attention away from spending time with the Lord? Do a life audit to identify any idols you may have. Make a plan to meet regularly with God in prayer and His Word.