

THE WHOLE BIBLE READING PLAN

This Month's Memory Verse

**The grass withers, the flowers fade, but the word of our God remains forever.
Isaiah 40:8**

November 3

Title: Jesus Was Crucified

Passage: Matthew 27; Mark 15; Luke 23-24; John 19-20

Christ Connection:

We deserve to die because of our sin, but God loves us and kept His promise to send a Savior. Jesus never sinned, but He died in our place. Now those who trust in Him have forgiveness through His blood and are no longer separated from God.

Questions to Discuss:

- What is one thing you remember from this week's Bible story?
- Do you have to work hard to take away your sins? Why not?
- Who is someone in your life who you can share this story of God's love with this week?

Family Connection:

Sit together with your family and cut and decorate cross shapes to put in your window for the neighborhood to see. You can cut them out of anything: paper, newspaper, aluminum paper, paper plates, etc. Be creative! Decorate them! Pray that a neighbor would ask your family about them, and use this as an opportunity to share the Gospel with others.

Parent Action:

Meditate on what Christ has done to forgive you and redeem you from a life of unrighteousness and use this to participate in at least 1 Gospel Conversation this week. Consider sharing your own testimony of salvation. If you have not accepted Christ as your Savior, pray through what trusting Him with your life would look like and seek brothers or sisters to walk with you in that.

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November 10

Title: Jesus Was Raised

Passage: Matthew 27-28; Mark 15-16; Luke 23-24; John 19-20

Christ Connection:

Jesus died on the cross for our sins, but He didn't stay dead. God was pleased with Jesus' sacrifice and raised Jesus from the dead on the third day to reign as King over all creation. Jesus provides salvation from sin and the promise of eternal life.

Questions to Discuss:

- What is one thing you remember from this week's Bible story?
- Is death the end for those who trust in Jesus? Why not?
- Mary went and told the disciples that Jesus is alive. Who do you know that needs to hear the good news of Jesus' resurrection?

Family Connection:

Make resurrection cookies with your family this week (it requires an evening, and then they are enjoyed in the morning!) Supplies you will need: nuts (optional), egg whites, white vinegar, sugar, and salt. Look up "Resurrection Cookies" online; you'll find many different recipes. Be sure to choose one that pairs verses with the steps (John 19:1-3, John 19:28-30, John 10:10-11, Luke 23:27, Psalm 34:8 and John 3:16, etc.) which walk through the resurrection of Christ.

Parent Action:

Deepen your understanding of the truth of the resurrection and pray to grow your knowledge and be a witness of Christ.

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November 17

Title: No Other Gospel

Passage: Galatians 1-3

Christ Connection:

All of salvation – from first trusting to faithful obedience – is God's gift to us through Jesus. The Holy Spirit changes our minds and hearts so that we want to obey God, and He gives us power to obey. Our righteousness does not come through faith in ourselves but through faith in Jesus.

Questions to Discuss:

- What is one thing you remember from this week's Bible story?
- How should we respond to people who teach things that go against the Bible?
- Who can you share the Gospel with this week?

Family Connection:

Give everyone a sheet of paper and crayons, markers, or colored pencils. Have each person create a work of art and pass it to the person next to you (don't tell everyone you'll be passing it until they're done drawing!). Keep passing until the artwork has been added to by every person, and return it to the original owners. Talk about how it was maybe frustrating to have your work added to or changed. Paul also was frustrated as people tried to change the Gospel.

Parent Action:

Examine your lives consistently and be encouraged to walk worthy to represent their new identity in Christ.

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Title: Paul Gave Hope

Passage: 1-2 Thessalonians

Christ Connection:

The prophets in the Old Testament told about the Day of the Lord, a day when God would come to judge the world and save His people. Paul said that in the future, on the Day of the Lord, Jesus will return for His people and judge the wicked. Believers live with hope, knowing that Jesus will come again.

Questions to Discuss:

- What is one thing you remember from this week's Bible story?
- In what ways does Jesus' return give us hope?
- What are some hard times you face?

Family Connection:

Invite each family member to write a verse (or hopeful idea they learned from the story this week) on a piece of paper. Pray over these words that they would be encouraging to your family, and post them in various places around the house to remind you regularly.

Parent Action:

Use every opportunity to demonstrate God's love, faith, and hope among the unengaged and unchurched.