



NAVIGATING THE BIBLE

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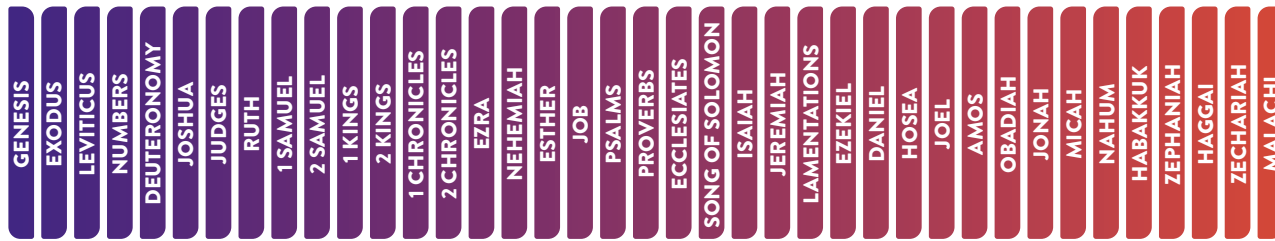
I'm working on this book with

We started on

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THE BIBLE HAS TWO PARTS:

Old Testament



The Old Testament is the front section of your Bible. It has 39 smaller books.

New Testament



The New Testament follows the Old Testament. It has 27 smaller books.



DID YOU KNOW?



The Bible was written by over 40 different authors.

It was written over a period of some 1,500 years.

Psalms is the longest book. 2 John is the shortest.

The Bible is the best-selling book in the world!

Every book has chapters and verses.

This big number is the chapter number.

This small number is the verse number.

Prologue: Christ, the Eternal Word

1 At the beginning the Word already existed. The Word was with God, and the Word was God.
² He existed in the beginning with God.
³ God created everything through him, and nothing was created except through him.
⁴ The Word gave life to everything that was created,* and his life brought light to everyone.
⁵ The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness can never extinguish it.*

6 God sent a man, John the Baptist,* ⁷to tell about the light so that everyone might believe because of his testimony. ⁸John himself was not the light; he was simply a witness to tell about the light. ⁹The one who is the true light, who gives light to everyone, was coming into the world.

¹⁰He came into the very world he created, but the world didn't recognize him. ¹¹He came to his own people, and even they rejected him. ¹²But to all who believed him and accepted him, he gave the right to become children of God. ¹³They are reborn—not with a physical birth resulting from human passion or plan, but a birth that comes from God.

¹⁴So the Word became human* and made his home among us. He was full of unfailing love and faithfulness.* And we have seen his glory, the glory of the Father's one and only Son.

¹⁵John testified about him when he shouted to the crowds, "This is the one I was talking about when I said, 'Someone is coming after me who is far greater than I am, for he existed long before me.'"

When you see a Bible reference like this, it shows us the book, chapter, and verse in the Bible. This makes it easy to find the exact part we want to read.

ROMANS 5:8
BOOK CHAPTER VERSE

LET'S PRACTICE!

Find and read the following Bible references.



Romans 5:8



John 3:16



Proverbs 3:5–6

Sometimes a Bible reference has a dash between the verses, like Proverbs 3:5–6. This means you should read from verse 5 through verse 6. The dash shows that you need to read more than one verse in a row.



**THE BIBLE IS GOD'S WORD
FOR US. GOD USES IT TO
SPEAK TO US IN ALL
KINDS OF SITUATIONS.**

**Find the following Bible references
and write each verse in the space provided.**

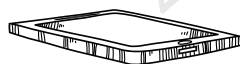
When I don't feel good about myself:
PSALM 139:17



When I am scared:
PSALM 56:3



**You can use a paper Bible or a
Bible app on your tablet!**



When I need to forgive:
EPHESIANS 4:32



MORE PRACTICE!

Find a notebook and use the verses below to practice more.

When I'm thankful:
PSALM 100

When I'm worried:
PHILIPPIANS 4:6-7

When I need to pray:
MATTHEW 6:9-13

When I need to give:
2 CORINTHIANS 9:7

When I don't
know what to do:
JAMES 1:5

When I need to listen
to my parents:
COLOSSIANS 3:20

When I want to know
how to treat others:
LUKE 6:31

A GUIDE TO READING YOUR BIBLE

ONE

**Before you start, pray and
ask God to speak to you.**



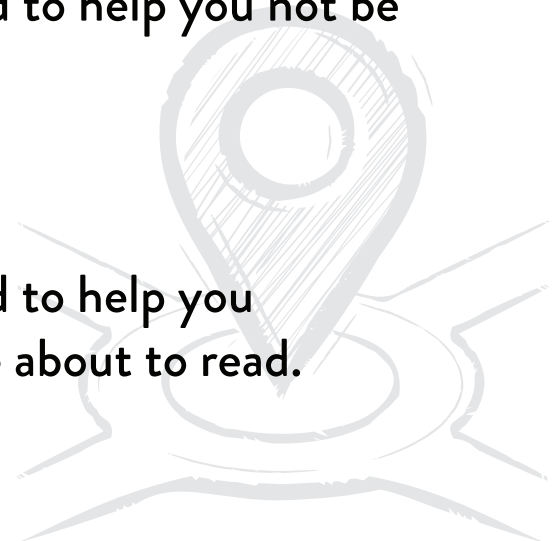
Take 30 seconds and thank God for the Bible.



Take 45 seconds ask God to help you not be
distracted as you read.

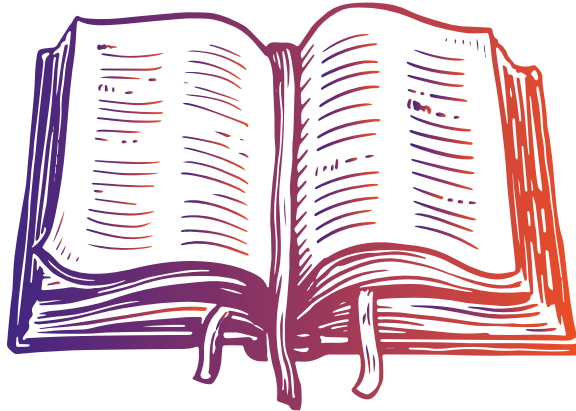


Take 1 minute to ask God to help you
understand what you are about to read.



TWO

Choose a story, verse, or chapter to read.



Write down the story, verse, or chapter you want to read.

DON'T KNOW WHERE TO START?

Here is a list of options you can start with.

Creation
GENESIS 1-3

David and Goliath
1 SAMUEL 17

Praise
PSALM 117

Daniel in the Lions' Den
DANIEL 6

The Holy Spirit Comes
ACTS 2:1-41

God's Plan Revealed
EPHESIANS 3:1-13

THREE

Read the Scripture out loud.

Write down the Scripture you have chosen to read.

WORDS I DON'T UNDERSTAND

How does what you read make you feel?

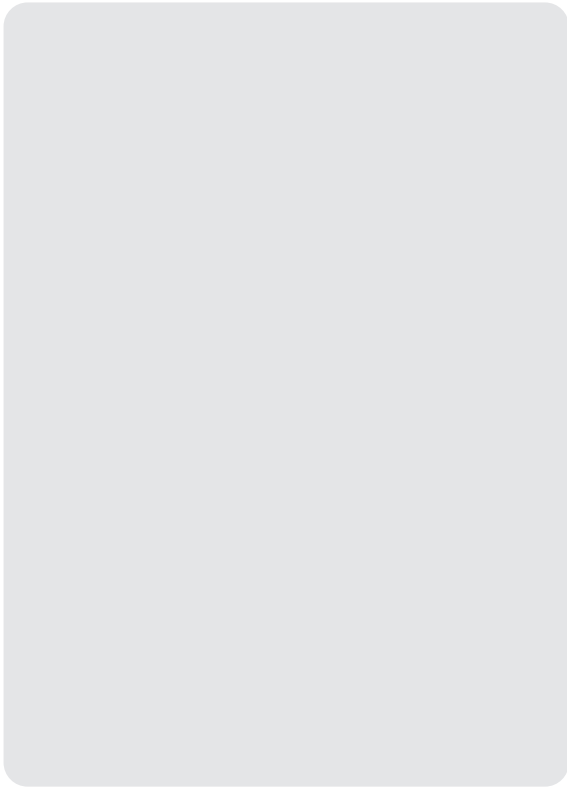
Scribble, color, or circle your choice.



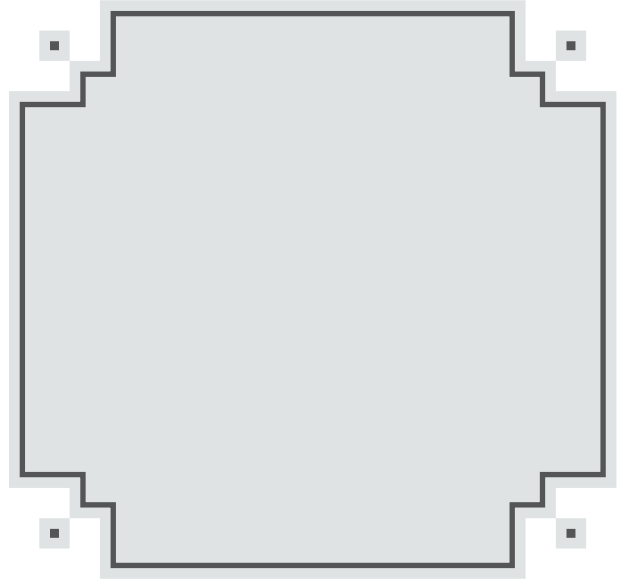
FOUR

Draw it out.

Choose one or do all three!



Create a movie-style poster for the Scripture you read.



Draw a picture to describe what you read.

Write some notes about what you think the words mean or what the story is about.

FIVE

Get together.

Gather some family or friends.



Talk to some friends, family, or a mix of both and write down their answers to these questions.



Chosen Scripture

What do you think this verse means?

How does this Scripture make you feel?

Scribble, color, or circle your choice.



SIX

Ask God to help you.



Take 1 minute to ask God how you can apply this Scripture to your life.

Draw or write out some ideas God speaks to you.

Six large, light gray, hand-drawn circles arranged in two rows of three, intended for drawing or writing ideas.