

GREETINGS FROM 2020

Bible Reading Plan

For this series, we'll be focusing on the practice of <u>breath prayer</u> as a way to fix our minds on Jesus in the midst of the chaos. The following reading prompts are short enough to allow you to time to read several times over, focus on one phrase or verse, and turn them into short breath prayer to meditate on throughout the day.

Related resources: "How to Study the Bible"

"What is Breath Prayer?"

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Week 1 - Living as a Child of the King, part 1

Romans 8 contains the greatest concentration of references to the Holy Spirit in the New Testament, an average of one almost every two verses.

What promises in these verses do you need to set your mind on this week?

July 13 - Romans 8:1-4

July 14 - Romans 8:5-8

July 15 - Romans 8:9-11

July 16 - Romans 8:12-17

July 17 - Romans 8:18-21

July 18 - Romans 8:22-25

Week 2 - Living as a Child of the King, part 2

For this week, we'll continue slowly working through Romans 8 as we meditate on what it means to be a child of God.

How would your life look different if you knew without a doubt you were a child of God?

July 20 - Romans 8:26-27

July 21 - Romans 8:28-30

July 22 - Romans 8:31-32

July 23 - Romans 8:33-36

July 24 - Romans 8:37-39

July 25 - Romans 8:1-4



Week 3 - Living in the Already Kingdom, part 1

For this week, we take our time walking through the Sermon on the Mount. In this extended teaching of Jesus, we get a glimpse of what life looks like in the kingdom of God not just after we die but made available to us right now. This tension

What commands of Jesus in these verses are you resisting?

July 27 - Matthew 5:1-6

July 28 - Matthew 5:7-12

July 29 - Matthew 5:13-16

July 30 - Matthew 5:17-20

July 31 - Matthew 5:21-26

August 1 - Matthew 5:27-30

Week 4 - Living in the Already Kingdom, part 2

This week, we continue our time listening to the teachings of Jesus in the Sermon on the Mount.

As you read through these passages, what areas in your life do you need to experience the presence of God afresh?

August 3 - Matthew 5:31-37

August 4 - Matthew 5:38-42

August 5 - Matthew 5:43-48

August 6 - Matthew 6:9-13

August 7 - Matthew 7:7-11

August 8 - Matthew 7:24-27

Week 5 - Living for the Future Kingdom

The Bible recognizes two sides of God's Kingdom: we can experience it in the here and now, and, there is a future hope awaiting us. For this week, we'll look at passages in the Old Testament that brought hope to God's people.

What makes it challenging for you to fix your mind on the hope of God?

August 10 - Psalm 23:1-3

August 11 - Psalm 23:4-6

August 12 - Lamentations 3:19-24

August 13 - <u>Isaiah 25:6-8</u>

August 14 - <u>Isaiah 25:9-12</u>

August 15 - 2 Samuel 7:12-16