



"THE GRASS WITHERS, THE FLOWER FADES,
BUT THE WORD OF OUR GOD WILL STAND FOREVER."

ISAIAH 40:8

THIS READING PLAN IS FOR YOU!

Hey Gospel City, this week we are going to focus on applying the theology of the gospel. The gospel is the good news that we are saved through faith in what Christ has done for us, and not by anything we have or have not done. Unfortunately, some people have twisted the gospel of grace to make people think that if they just profess faith in Christ then they can live however they want and then waltz right into heaven. But that is not the gospel. Salvation does not depend on life change, but if we actually believe the gospel it will change our lives! This is why the apostle Paul structured his letters the way he did. The first 11 chapters of Romans are filled with rich, deep theology, while the last 5 chapters focus on how to live in light of the beautiful gospel he just proclaimed. Likewise, the letter to the Ephesians begins with 3 chapters of heavy theology, and ends with three chapters of applied theology. Paul does this because he knows that giving commands without the power to obey them merely produces self-righteous pride, or despair. But applying the theology of the gospel produces a holy life that is pleasing to the Lord. So this week we are going to study just a few of the 1,800 New Testament commands. We pray that this study will help you grow in holiness and obedience to your Lord. We also pray that the standard the Bible holds us to will help you trust more and more in the gospel of Jesus, which gives you grace when you fall, and the power to sin no more.

THE FORMAT IS SIMPLE:

We are still going to provide a passage to read and a verse to meditate on for each day. But instead of providing a discussion question and a prayer that is specific to each reading, we will provide a general question and structure for prayer that will apply to each passage throughout the week. We hope that the questions we have provided in the past have helped you and your families grow in your ability to read your Bible. And we hope that the prayers have served as a good model for you regarding how to pray through your Bible. But now it is time for you to take the reigns! Think of your own discussion questions and then pray through what you have meditated on. And we are excited to continue to read and meditate and discuss and pray alongside you as we seek our Lord together.



DAILY DISCIPLESHIP GUIDE

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SUNDAY | DAY 1

READ: ROMANS 12:1-21

MEDITATE ON:

Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer.

V12

DISCUSS THIS:

According to this passage, what does the life of a genuine Christian look like? What are some ways it challenges you in your walk with Jesus? Preach the gospel to yourself, thank the Lord for His grace, and ask Him to help you grow in holiness.

PRAY THIS:

Dear Father, thank you for Jesus, who paid the penalty for our sins, and gives us the power to live in sin no more. Help us to read these commands through the lens of the gospel. Forgive us for trying to save ourselves, and forgive us for boasting in our own self-righteousness. Help us to trust Christ, abide in Christ, lean on Christ, and look like Christ. Amen.

MONDAY | DAY 2

READ: COLOSSIANS 3:1-17

MEDITATE ON:

And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And be thankful.

V15

DISCUSS THIS:

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TUESDAY I DAY 3

READ: ROMANS 13:1-14

MEDITATE ON:

Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore love is the fulfilling of the law.

V10

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PRAY THIS:

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WEDNESDAY | DAY 4

READ: EPHESIANS 4:17-32

MEDITATE ON:

Let no corrupting talk come out of your mouths, but only such as is good for building up, as fits the occasion, that it may give grace to those who hear.

V29

DISCUSS THIS:

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PRAY THIS:

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THURSDAY | DAY 5

READ: ROMANS 14:1-23

MEDITATE ON:

So then each of us will give an account of himself to God. Therefore let us not pass judgment on one another any longer, but rather decide never to put a stumbling block or hindrance in the way of a brother.

V11

DISCUSS THIS:

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PRAY THIS:

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FRIDAY | DAY 6

READ: EPHESIANS 5:1-21

MEDITATE ON:

Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children.

V1

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SATURDAY | DAY 7

READ: ROMANS 15:1-21

MEDITATE ON:

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.

V13

DISCUSS THIS:

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PRAY THIS:

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