a guide for

Morning and Evening Prayer



Why Use a Prayer Guide?

Daily Prayer. Early Christians, looking to uphold the practice of their Jewish forefathers, adopted morning and evening prayer (Psalm 141:2) as their regular practice of worship and devotion. They saw this as the

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fulfillment of what Malachi prophesied. Until the advent of the printing press, Christians often met together in churches, homes (or catacombs) for morning and evening prayer and Scripture reading. This communal life of prayer has been mostly lost. This is one attempt to recover some of the riches of the old ways.

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itself. We read and study to know God. But knowing God is always expressed in prayer and worship. Succintly put: we read to pray. Prayerful worship is the real aim of all study. This prayer guide is meant to help us reclaim our full diet of prayer, study, and worship. This will help our study be more fruitful.

How to Use this Guide

This order of Scriptures and prayers is meant as a guide, and not a straightjacket, for your own personal prayers. Just as the Lord's Prayer is meant to shape the way you pray, so this guide is meant to be a springboard to fuel and shape your own devotion to the Lord. All elements are optional, made available for your benefit. Specific guidelines for each element are printed red in the margins. Here is an overview of Morning Prayer:

To begin,
read one or
two Opening
Sentences,
(according to the
liturgical season)

Then pray one of the morning psalms, or sing a hymn Then read and reflect on the
Scriptures from your reading plan, or the plan in the back of this booklet

Finish with prayer for your day, being guided by your Scripture reading, and concluding with the Lord's Prayer

Why Use a Reading Plan?

Communal Life. Should we meet at church every morning before work? Maybe. Donuts could help. But for now, we can share in the same way of life, the same prayers, and even reading the same Scripture passages. With this aim in mind, Scottish pastor Robert Murray M'Cheyne (1813-43) developed a Bible reading plan for his entire church. For "as many as were made willing by God" to join in the plan, they would benefit from "feeding in the same portion of the green pasture at the same time." This, he says, will strengthen

"The sweet bond of Christian love and unity ... We shall be often led to think of those dear brothers and sisters in the Lord, here and elsewhere, who agree to join with us in reading those portions. We shall oftener be led to agree on earth, touching something we shall ask of God. We shall pray over the same promises, mourn over the same confessions, praise God in the same songs, and be nourished by the same words of eternal life."

A Plan? What if I get behind? What if my time is crunched? Plans are just that: a plan. The point isn't to punish ourselves if we get behind, but to not waste time when we do come to read. If you get behind, skip to today. If your time is crunched, read one chapter in the morning, and one chapter during your lunch break, or at night.

Won't I feel bogged down? M'Cheyne gives good advice here. "Some may engage in reading with [cheerfulness] for a time, and afterwards feel it a burden, grievous to be borne. They may find conscience dragging them through the appointed task without any relish of the heavenly food. If this be the case with any, throw aside the fetter, and feed at liberty in the sweet garden of God. My desire is not to cast a snare upon you, but to be a helper of your joy."

Let your steadfast love comfort me according to your promise to your servant. My soul longs for your salvation; I hope in your word. My eyes long for your promise; I ask, "When will you comfort me?" Psalm 119:76, 81-82

Fellowship with One Another. As we join together in seeking the Lord, consider also pursuing deeper spiritual friendships with a couple others in the congregation. For a vision for how to pursue this, read "A Guide for Spiritual Friendship" following the order for Evening Prayer.

May our God unite us together in a joyful shared life, abiding in Christ!

Morning Prayer

Opening Sentences

Morning Prayer begins with praying one of the following Opening Sentences OLord, open my lips, And my mouth will declare your praise. *Psalm 51:15*

The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases; his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. *Lamentations 3:22-23*

Yours is the day, yours also the night; you have established the heavenly lights and the sun. *Psalm 74:16*, *17*

Give attention to the sound of my cry, my King and my God, for to you do I pray. O Lord, in the morning you hear my voice; in the morning I prepare a sacrifice for you and watch. *Psalm 5:2-3*

Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways! For from him and through him and to him are all things. To him be glory forever. Amen. *Romans* 11:33, 36

Then I heard what seemed to be the voice of a great multitude, like the roar of many waters and like the sound of mighty peals of thunder, crying out, "Hallelujah! For the Lord our God the Almighty reigns. *Revelation 19:6*, 7

Through him then let us continually offer up a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that acknowledge his name. *Hebrews 13:15*

Worthy are you, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honor and power, for you created all things, and by your will they existed and were created. *Revelation 4:11*

I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go to the house of the Lord!" *Psalm 122:1*

Their voice goes out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world. In them he has set a tent for the sun. *Psalm 19:4*

Send out your light and your truth; let them lead me; let them bring me to your holy hill and to your dwelling! *Psalm 43:3*

But the Lord is in his holy temple; let all the earth keep silence before him. *Habakkuk 2:20*

But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father is seeking such people to worship him. *John 4:23*

For thus says the One who is high and lifted up, who inhabits eternity, whose name is Holy: "I dwell in the high and holy place, and also with him who is of a contrite and lowly spirit, to revive the spirit of the lowly, and to revive the heart of the contrite. *Isaiah* 57:15

Advent Therefore stay awake—for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or when the rooster crows, or in the morning—lest he come suddenly and find you asleep. Mark 13:35-36

A voice cries: "In the wilderness prepare the way of the Lord; make straight in the desert a highway for our God. *Isaiah 40:3*

And the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together, for the mouth of the Lord has spoken." *Isaiah 40:5*

And the angel said to them, *Christmas* "Fear not, for behold, I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. *Luke 2:10, 11*

And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will be his people, and God himself will be with them as their God. *Revelation 21:3*

And nations shall come to **Epiphany** your light, and kings to the brightness of your rising. *Isaiah 60:3*

I will make you as a light for the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth. *Isaiah 49:6*

For from the rising of the sun to its setting my name will be great among the nations, and in every place incense will be offered to my name, and a pure offering. For my name will be great among the nations, says the Lord of hosts. *Malachi 1:11*

If we say we have no sin, Lem we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. 1 John 1:8-9

Lent Rend your hearts and not your garments. Return to the Lord your God, for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love; and he relents over disaster. Joel 2:13

> To the Lord our God belong mercy and forgiveness, for we have rebelled against him and have not obeyed the voice of the Lord our God by walking in his laws, which he set before us by his servants the prophets. Daniel 9:9-10

And calling the crowd to him with his disciples, he said to them, "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. Mark 8:34

Holy Week All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned—every one—to his own way; and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all. Isaiah 53:6

> Is it nothing to you, all you who pass by? Look and see if there is any sorrow like my sorrow, which was brought upon me, which the Lord inflicted on the day of his fierce anger. Lamentation 1:12

This is the day that the Lord Easter has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it. Psalm 118:24

But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. 1 Corinthians 15:57

If then you have been raised with Ascension Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Colossians 3:1

For Christ has entered, not into holy places made with hands, which are copies of the true things, but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf. Hebrews 9:24

But you will receive power when the **Pentecost** Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth. Acts 1:8

And the four living creatures, each of them with six wings, are full of eyes all around and within, and day and night they never cease to say, "Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord God Almighty, who was and is and is to come! Revelation 4:8

Trinity

Morning Psalm

Psalm 95:1-7

Oh come, let us sing to the LORD; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

- 2 Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!
- 3 For the LORD is a great God, and a great King above all gods.
- 4 In his hand are the depths of the earth; the heights of the mountains are his also.
- 5 The sea is his, for he made it, and his hands formed the dry land.
- 6 Oh come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker!
- 7 For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.

Psalm 100

Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth! 2 Serve the LORD with gladness!

Come into his presence with singing!

- 3 Know that the LORD, he is God! It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.
- 4 Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise! Give thanks to him; bless his name!
- 5 For the LORD is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.

Psalm 63:1-8

God, you are my God; earnestly I seek you; my soul thirsts for you; my flesh faints for you, as in a dry and weary land where there is no water.

2 So I have looked upon you in the sanctuary, beholding your power and glory.

One of the following morning Psalms or a morning hymn is sung.

- 3 Because your steadfast love is better than life, my lips will praise you.
- 4 So I will bless you as long as I live; in your name I will lift up my hands.
- 5 My soul will be satisfied as with fat and rich food, and my mouth will praise you with joyful lips,
- 6 when I remember you upon my bed, and meditate on you in the watches of the night;
- 7 for you have been my help, and in the shadow of your wings I will sing for joy.
- 8 My soul clings to you; your right hand upholds me.

Psalm 51:1-12

ave mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions.

- 2 Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin!
- 3 For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me.
- 4 Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight, so that you may be justified in your words and blameless in your judgment.
- 5 Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity, and in sin did my mother conceive me.
- 6 Behold, you delight in truth in the inward being, and you teach me wisdom in the secret heart.
- 7 Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.
- 8 Let me hear joy and gladness; let the bones that you have broken rejoice.
- 9 Hide your face from my sins, and blot out all my iniquities.
- 10 Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.
- 11 Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me.
- 12 Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with a willing spirit.

Scripture Readings & Reflection

Open my eyes, that I may behold wondrous things out of your law. *Psalm 119:18*

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The Scriptures from your reading

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plan are then read. After the
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silent reflection. The Scripture may then be briefly
interpreted. When worshipping alone or with a
family, a commentary or other lesson may be read.

Morning Prayers

Sunday Morning

Lord, our heavenly Father, at the beginning of another week we come to You for help and light. We ask that you would grant us to consecrate this day of rest to your service, and find in you all peace and strength. Enliven our devotion, that we may serve You in spirit and in truth, and lay a good foundation for our coming work. Be with us in all the public services of Your day, that we may join in them with heart and soul, and receive the blessing which You have promised to all who sincerely pray to You and faithfully hear Your Word. We ask this for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Then kneeling or bowing down, pray for the day, giving thanks, interceding and making requests of the Lord. The following prayers may be used. Conclude with the Lord's Prayer.

Monday Morning

God, our Father, of whom the whole family in heaven and on earth is named: give to our household, at the beginning of this day, that grace which will keep us in the fellowship of the Christian way; and grant to each one of us that heavenly guidance and control, in all our labors, pleasures, and trials, which will maintain our hearts in peace with one another and with You. Graciously help and prosper us in the doing of our various duties with a willing and cheerful mind; and defend us all, by Your almighty power, both from inward evil and from outward harm, so that when the day is ended it may not leave us in sorrow, strife, or shame, but in true unity and thankful rest, through Your merciful favor and Your forgiving love; in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

Tuesday Morning

Lord, you are the true Sun of the world, evermore rising, and never going down; by your wholesome appearing and light you nourish and make joyful, all things both in heaven and on earth: we ask You to mercifully and favorably shine into our hearts that the night and darkness of sin, and the mists of error on every side may be driven away. We ask this so that in the power of your Spirit, all our life long we would go without any stumbling or offense, and walk as in the daytime, being pure and clean from the works of darkness, and abounding in all the good works which You have prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Wednesday Morning

Almighty and merciful Father, in whom we live and move and have our being, to whose tender compassion we owe our safety in days past, together with all the comforts of this present life, and the hopes of that which is to come: we praise You, O God, our exceeding joy. You daily pour your benefits on us. Grant that Jesus our Lord, the hope of glory, may be formed in us, in all humility, patience, and absolute surrender of our souls and bodies to Your holy will and pleasure. Do not leave us, nor forsake us, O Father, but guide us safe through all changes of our condition here, in an unchangeable love to You, and in holy peace of mind in Your love to us, till we come to dwell with You and rejoice in You for ever. Amen.

Thursday Morning

Lord, lift up the light of Your countenance upon us; let Your peace rule in our hearts, and may it be our strength and our song. We commit ourselves to Your care and keeping this day; let Your grace be mighty in us and sufficient for us. Keep us from sin; give us the rule over our own spirits; and prevent us from speaking foolishly or harmfully with our lips. May we live together in peace and holy love. Command your blessing upon us, even life for evermore. Prepare us for all the events of the day; for its joys as well as for its trials. Give us grace to deny ourselves, to take up our cross daily, and to follow in the steps of our Lord and Master. Amen.

Friday Morning

We praise You, O God, with the morning light, and in the brightness of a new day we bless Your holy name. For all You have given to us with the gift of life, making us in Your own image and granting us to share as children in Your knowledge and Your love, in Your work and Your joy, we thank You, Heavenly Father. For all good things in the world, for food and clothing, for home and friendship, for useful tasks and pure pleasures, we thank You, Heavenly Father. For all spiritual blessings, for Your holy Word, for the Christian fellowship, for the good example and blessed memory of Your saints, for the secret influence of Your Spirit, we thank You, Heavenly Father. And above all we bless You for the redeeming life and death of Your dear Son our Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

Saturday Morning

↑ Imighty God, our Father and preserver: we give You thanks that out of Your own goodness You have watched over us last night and brought us to a new day; and we ask You to strengthen and guard us by Your Spirit; that we may spend it wholly in Your service and to Your glory, looking for all prosperity to Your blessing, and seeking only those things which are pleasing in Your sight. Enable us, O Lord, while we labor for the life that we now live, to also always have regard for the heavenly life which You have promised Your children. Defend us in soul and body from all harm. Show Your lovingkindness to all men and women and little children, according to the need of every living soul, especially unto those whom we love, and those who are in any kind of trouble or distress, whom we now pray for (take a moment to pray for those who weigh on your heart, and for those in your neighborhood, work, and church); protect out country and prosper Your Church; bless all who do good in the world, and restrain and avenge all who do evil. And finally, blot out our former sins, forgiving them in Your boundless mercy and purifying our hearts, that we may lead a holy life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Our Father Who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: for Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.

Evening Prayer

Opening Sentences

Evening
Prayer begins
with praying
one of the
following
Opening
Sentences

For you are my lamp, O Lord, and my God lightens my darkness. This God is my strong refuge and has made my way blameless. 2 Samuel 22:29, 33

I bless the Lord who gives me counsel; in the night also my heart instructs me. I have set the Lord always before me; because he is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken. *Psalm 16:7-8*

You split open springs and brooks; you dried up ever-flowing streams. Yours is the day, yours also the night; you have established the heavenly lights and the sun. *Psalm 74:15-16*

Worship the Lord in the splendor of holiness; tremble before him, all the earth! *Psalm 96:9*

Even there your hand shall lead me, and your right hand shall hold me. If I say, "Surely the darkness shall cover me, and the light about me be night." *Psalm 139:10-11*

Let my prayer be counted as incense before you, and the lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice! *Psalm 141:2*

He who made the Pleiades and Orion, and turns deep darkness into the morning and darkens the day into night, who calls for the waters of the sea and pours them out on the surface of the earth, the Lord is his name. *Amos* 5:8

Again Jesus spoke to them, saying, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life." *John 8:12*

For God, who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. 2 Corinthians 4:6

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. *Philippians 1:2*

Prayers of Confession

Beloved, we have come together in the presence of Almighty God our Father, to thank Him for all the benefits we have received from His hands, to praise Him, to hear His holy word, and to ask for those things we need for our life and our salvation, both for ourselves and for others. To prepare ourselves in heart and mind to worship Him, let's pray in silence, and confess our sins with repentant and obedient hearts, that we may receive forgiveness by His infinite goodness and mercy. So let us silently confess our sins to God.

This call for Confession may be read when worshiping together.

Then kneeling or bowing down, a brief period of silence should be taken to confess individually.

Together, let us humbly confess our sins to God:

Holy and merciful Father, we acknowledge and confess before You our sinful nature, prone to evil and slothful in good, and all our shortcomings and offenses. You alone know how often we have sinned: in wandering from Your ways, in wasting Your gifts, in forgetting Your love. But You, O Lord, have mercy on us. We are ashamed and sorry for all the ways we have grieved You. Teach us to hate our sins; cleanse us from our secret faults; and forgive our sins, for the sake of Your dear Son. And, O holy and loving Father, help us, we ask you, to live in Your light and walk in Your ways, according to the commandments of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Then still kneeling or bowing down, pray out loud using this prayer or one like it.

The Assurance of Pardon

This assurance of pardon or other verses on forgiveness can be read aloud when worshipping together.

May Our Almighty God, who freely pardons all who repent and turn to Him, now fulfill in every contrite heart the promise of redeeming grace; pardoning all our sins, and cleansing us from an evil conscience, through the perfect sacrifice of Christ our Lord; and may he keep us evermore in the peace and joy of a holy life so that we may love and serve Him always; in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost. Amen

Scripture Readings & Reflection

The Scriptures from your reading plan are then read. Jesus said to the Jews who had believed him, "If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." *John 8:31-32*

After the reading there may follow a period of silence for reflection. The Scripture may then be briefly interpreted.
When worshipping alone or with a family, a commentary or other lesson may be read.

Evening Prayers

Then you may conclude by praying freely, casting your anxieties on the Lord. Conclude with the Lord's Prayer.

Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God so that at the proper time he may exalt you, casting all your anxieties on him, because he cares for you. 1 Peter 5:6-7

Our Father Who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: for Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.

A Guide for Spiritual Friendship

The Christian life cannot be lived alone. This is just as true of our need for encouragement as it is for our need to confess. Confessing our sins to trusted Christian brothers or sisters and committing to grow in knowing God together is foundational to our walking in the light of Christ, and thus the way "we have fellowship with one another." Christian friendship is meant to be one of the places where we experience this fellowship of light as we journey to our heavenly home.

If we say we have fellowship with him while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. 1 John 1:6-7

To pursue this kind of friendship, pray for and think of two Christian friends whom you could trust. Your elders and pastors can help connect you to others in your congregation who might be a good fit. Invite them to meet weekly as a group of three, for roughly an hour and a half. The evening prayer guide above, can provide an order for your time together:

- Opening Prayer Read one of the opening sentences
- Confession of Particular Sins Each take a turn naming actions, thoughts, and idolatrous desires. Allow your friends to ask questions about your motives and thoughts to explore and expose your own heart. This will help you to know what sin beneath the sin you need to repent of.
- Assuring Each Other of God's Forgiveness After each person has confessed, read the assurance of pardon above, from last week's bulletin, or from other parts of Scripture. We need to hear of God's grace from others.
- *Discussing The Scriptures You've Been Reading* After each has been assured of God's forgiveness, take time to discuss. Commit to reading the Scriptures everyday. They don't have to be the same, as long as you are all reading and engaged in God's word together. This is a great place to discuss things you don't understand as well.
- *Praying and Interceding for Each Other* Reserve the last 15 minutes of your time together to pray for each other specifically. There is hardly a sweeter moment of prayer than with true friends with whom you shared so deeply.

You and your two friends should commit to each other for a year (incl. summers). At the end of the year, it would be good to reflect on whether you should form new groups to include others, or if your group should continue because of the difficult season you are in. This is a matter of prayer and wise counsel, being especially aware of our tendency to only befriend those like us (Luke 14:12-14). May the Lord reward us with deep friendship in Him! sins and in

"In confession the break-through to community takes place. Sin demands to have a man by himself. Since the confession of sin is made in the presence of a Christian brother, the last stronghold of self-justification is abandoned. ... He can confess his bis very act find fellowship for the

sins and in this very act find fellowship for the first time." - Dietrich Bonhoeffer, Life Together

Carson Reading Plan - Tanakh Order (Year 1)

January	16 Gn 49; Lk 2	2 Lv 5; Ps 3-4	19 Nu 28; Ps 72
1 Gn 1; Mt 1	17 Gn 50; Lk 3	3 Lv 6; Ps 5-6	20 Nu 29; Ps 73
2 Gn 2; Mt 2	18 Ex 1; Lk 4	4 Lv 7; Ps 7-8	21 Nu 30; Ps 74
3 Gn 3; Mt 3	19 Ex 2; Lk 5	5 Lv 8; Ps 9	22 Nu 31; Ps 75-76
4 Gn 4; Mt 4	20 Ex 3; Lk 6	6 Lv 9; Ps 10	23 Nu 32; Ps 77
5 Gn 5; Mt 5	21 Ex 4; Lk 7	7 Lv 10; Ps 11-12	24 Nu 33; Ps 78:1-39
6 Gn 6; Mt 6	22 Ex 5; Lk 8	8 Lv 11-12; Ps 13-14	25 Nu 34; Ps 78:40-72
7 Gn 7; Mt 7	23 Ex 6; Lk 9	9 Lv 13; Ps 15-16	26 Nu 35; Ps 79
8 Gn 8; Mt 8	24 Ex 7; Lk 10	10 Lv 14; Ps 17	27 Nu 36; Ps 80
9 Gn 9-10; Mt 9	25 Ex 8; Lk 11	11 Lv 15; Ps 18	28 Dt 1; Ps 81-82
10 Gn 11; Mt 10	26 Ex 9; Lk 12	12 Lv 16; Ps 19	29 Dt 2; Ps 83-84
11 Gn 12; Mt 11	27 Ex 10; Lk 13	13 Lv 17; Ps 20-21	30 Dt 3; Ps 85
12 Gn 13; Mt 12	28 Ex 11:1-12:20; Lk 14	14 Lv 18; Ps 22	31 Dt 4; Ps 86-87
13 Gn 14; Mt 13		15 Lv 19; Ps 23-24	
14 Gn 15; Mt 14	March	16 Lv 20; Ps 25	June
15 Gn 16; Mt 15	1 Ex 12:21-51; Lk 15	17 Lv 21; Ps 26-27	1 Dt 5; Ps 88
16 Gn 17; Mt 16	2 Ex 13; Lk 16	18 Lv 22; Ps 28-29	2 Dt 6; Ps 89
17 Gn 18; Mt 17	3 Ex 14; Lk 17	19 Lv 23; Ps 30	3 Dt 7; Ps 90
18 Gn 19; Mt 18	4 Ex 15; Lk 18	20 Lv 24; Ps 31	4 Dt 8; Ps 91
19 Gn 20; Mt 19	5 Ex 16; Lk 19	21 Lv 25; Ps 32	5 Dt 9; Ps 92-93
20 Gn 21; Mt 20	6 Ex 17; Lk 20	22 Lv 26; Ps 33	6 Dt 10; Ps 94
21 Gn 22; Mt 21	7 Ex 18; Lk 21	23 Lv 27; Ps 34	7 Dt 11; Ps 95-96
22 Gn 23; Mt 22	8 Ex 19; Lk 22	24 Nu 1; Ps 35	8 Dt 12; Ps 97-98
23 Gn 24; Mt 23	9 Ex 20; Lk 23	25 Nu 2; Ps 36	9 Dt 13-14; Ps 99-101
24 Gn 25; Mt 24	10 Ex 21; Lk 24	26 Nu 3; Ps 37	10 Dt 15; Ps 102
25 Gn 26; Mt 25	11 Ex 22; Jn 1	27 Nu 4; Ps 38	11 Dt 16; Ps 103
26 Gn 27; Mt 26	12 Ex 23; Jn 2	28 Nu 5; Ps 39	12 Dt 17; Ps 104
27 Gn 28; Mt 27	13 Ex 24; Jn 3	29 Nu 6; Ps 40-41	13 Dt 18; Ps 105
28 Gn 29; Mt 28	14 Ex 25; Jn 4	30 Nu 7; Ps 42-43	14 Dt 19; Ps 106
29 Gn 30; Mk 1	15 Ex 26; Jn 5		15 Dt 20; Ps 107
30 Gn 31; Mk 2	16 Ex 27; Jn 6	May	16 Dt 21; Ps 108-109
31 Gn 32; Mk 3	17 Ex 28; Jn 7	1 Nu 8; Ps 44	17 Dt 22; Ps 110-111
	18 Ex 29; Jn 8	2 Nu 9; Ps 45	18 Dt 23; Ps 112-113
February	19 Ex 30; Jn 9	3 Nu 10; Ps 46-47	19 Dt 24; Ps 114-115
1 Gn 33; Mk 4	20 Ex 31; Jn 10	4 Nu 11; Ps 48	20 Dt 25; Ps 116
2 Gn 34; Mk 5	21 Ex 32; Jn 11	5 Nu 12-13; Ps 49	21 Dt 26; Ps 117-118
3 Gn 35-36; Mk 6	22 Ex 33; Jn 12	6 Nu 14; Ps 50	22 Dt 27:1-28:19;
4 Gn 37; Mk 7	23 Ex 34; Jn 13	7 Nu 15; Ps 51	Ps 119:1-24
5 Gn 38; Mk 8	24 Ex 35; Jn 14	8 Nu 16; Ps 52-54	23 Dt 28:20-68; Ps 119:25-
6 Gn 39; Mk 9	25 Ex 36; Jn 15	9 Nu 17-18; Ps 55	48
7 Gn 40; Mk 10	26 Ex 37; Jn 16	10 Nu 19; Ps 56-57	24 Dt 29; Ps 119:49-72
8 Gn 41; Mk 11	27 Ex 38; Jn 17	11 Nu 20; Ps 58-59	25 Dt 30; Ps 119:73-96
9 Gn 42; Mk 12	28 Ex 39; Jn 18	12 Nu 21; Ps 60-61	26 Dt 31; Ps 119:97-120
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4 Jdg 18; Act 22 20 2Sa 19; 2Co 9 4 2Ki 20; Tit 3 21 Is 46; Rev 12	
5 Jdg 19; Act 23 21 2Sa 20; 2Co 10 5 2Ki 21; Philemon 22 Is 47; Rev 13	
6 Jdg 20; Act 24 22 2Sa 21; 2Co 11 6 2Ki 22; He 1 23 Is 48; Rev 14	
7 Jdg 21; Act 25 23 2Sa 22; 2Co 12 7 2Ki 23; He 2 24 Is 49; Rev 15	
8 1Sa 1; Act 26 24 2Sa 23; 2Co 13 8 2Ki 24; He 3 25 Is 50; Rev 16	
9 1Sa 2; Act 27 25 2Sa 24; Gal 1 9 2Ki 25; He 4 26 Is 51; Rev 17	
10 1Sa 3; Act 28 26 1Ki 1; Gal 2 10 Is 1; He 5 27 Is 52; Rev 18	
11 1Sa 4; Ro 1 27 1Ki 2; Gal 3 11 Is 2; He 6 28 Is 53; Rev 19	
12 1Sa 5-6; Ro 2 28 1Ki 3; Gal 4 12 Is 3-4; He 7 29 Is 54; Rev 20	
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13 Jer 35; Ro 16

15 Jer 37; 1Co 2

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4 Is 60; Act 4	20 Jer 42; 1Co 7	6 Eze 36; 1Th 3	23 Mic 6; 1 Jn 2
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6 Is 62; Act 6	22 Jer 44; 1Co 9	8 Eze 38; 1Th 5	25 Nah 1; 1 Jn 4
7 Is 63; Act 7	23 Jer 46; 1Co 10	9 Eze 39; 2Th 1	26 Nah 2; 1 Jn 5
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9 Is 65; Act 9	25 Jer 48; 1Co 12	11 Eze 41; 2Th 3	28 Hab 1; 3 Jn 1
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11 Jer 1; Act 11	27 Jer 50; 1Co 14	13 Eze 43; 1Ti 2	30 Hab 3; Rev 1
12 Jer 2; Act 12	28 Jer 51; 1Co 15	14 Eze 44; 1Ti 3	31 Zph 1; Rev 2
13 Jer 3; Act 13	20 jei 91, 100 19	15 Eze 45; 1Ti 4	31 Zpii 1, 1te, 2
14 Jer 4; Act 14	March	16 Eze 46; 1Ti 5	June
15 Jer 5; Act 15	1 Jer 52; 1Co 16	17 Eze 47; 1Ti 6	1 Zph 2; Rev 3
16 Jer 6; Act 16	2 Eze 1; 2Co 1	18 Eze 48; 2Ti 1	2 Zph 3; Rev 4
17 Jer 7; Act 17	3 Eze 2; 2Co 2	19 Ho 1; 2Ti 2	3 Hag 1; Rev 5
18 Jer 8; Act 18	4 Eze 3; 2Co 3	20 Ho 2; 2Ti 3	4 Hag 2; Rev 6
19 Jer 9; Act 19	5 Eze 4; 2Co 4	21 Ho 3-4; 2Ti 4	5 Zech 1; Rev 7
20 Jer 10; Act 20	6 Eze 5; 2Co 5	22 Ho 5-6; Tit 1	6 Zech 2; Rev 8
21 Jer 11; Act 21	7 Eze 6; 2Co 6	23 Ho 7; Tit 2	7 Zech 3; Rev 9
22 Jer 12; Act 22	8 Eze 7; 2Co 7	24 Ho 8; Tit 3	8 Zech 4; Rev 10
23 Jer 13; Act 23	9 Eze 8; 2Co 8	25 Ho 9; Philemon	9 Zech 5; Rev 11
24 Jer 14; Act 24	10 Eze 9; 2Co 9	26 Ho 10; He 1	10 Zech 6; Rev 12
25 Jer 15; Act 25	11 Eze 10; 2Co 10	27 Ho 11; He 2	11 Zech 7; Rev 13
26 Jer 16; Act 26	12 Eze 11; 2Co 11	28 Ho 12; He 3	12 Zech 8; Rev 14
27 Jer 17; Act 27	13 Eze 12; 2Co 12	29 Ho 13; He 4	13 Zech 9; Rev 15
28 Jer 18; Act 28	14 Eze 13; 2Co 13	30 Ho 14; He 5	14 Zech 10; Rev 16
29 Jer 19; Ro 1	15 Eze 14; Gal 1		15 Zech 11; Rev 17
30 Jer 20; Ro 2	16 Eze 15; Gal 2	May	16 Zech 12:1-13:1; Rev
31 Jer 21; Ro 3	17 Eze 16; Gal 3	1 Joel 1; He 6	17 Zech 13:2-9; Rev 19
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3 Jer 24; Ro 6	22 Eze 21; Eph 2	6 Am 3; He 11	22 Mal 4; Mt 2
4 Jer 25; Ro 7	23 Eze 22; Eph 3	7 Am 4; He 12	23 Job 1; Mt 3
5 Jer 26; Ro 8	24 Eze 23; Eph 4	8 Am 5; He 13	24 Job 2; Mt 4
6 Jer 27; Ro 9	25 Eze 24; Eph 5	9 Am 6; Jas 1	25 Job 3; Mt 5
7 Jer 28; Ro 10	26 Eze 25; Eph 6	10 Am 7; Jas 2	26 Job 4; Mt 6
8 Jer 29; Ro 11	27 Eze 26; Phil 1	11 Am 8; Jas 3	27 Job 5; Mt 7
9 Jer 30-31; Ro 12	28 Eze 27; Phil 2	12 Am 9; Jas 4	28 Job 6; Mt 8
10 Jer 32; Ro 13	29 Eze 28; Phil 3	13 Ob 1; Jas 5	29 Job 7; Mt 9
11 Jer 33; Ro 14	30 Eze 29; Phil 4	14 Jon 1; 1Pe 1	30 Job 8; Mt 10
12 Jer 34; Ro 15	31 Eze 30; Col 1	15 Jon 2; 1Pe 2	
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1 Job 9; Mt 11 2 Job 10; Mt 12

16 Jon 3; 1Pe 3

17 Jon 4; 1Pe 4

18 Mic 1; 1Pe 5

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4 Job 12; Mt 14
5 Job 13; Mt 15
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7 Job 15; Mt 17
8 Job 16-17; Mt 18
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20 Job 30; Ps 3-4
21 Job 31; Ps 5-6
22 Job 32; Ps 7-8
23 Job 33; Ps 9
24 Job 34; Ps 10
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26 Job 36; Ps 13-14
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28 Job 38; Ps 17

29 Job 39; Ps 18

30 Job 40; Ps 19

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