

MISSIONCHURCH

# **40 DAYS**

**A BIBLE READ THROUGH**

***“Your word is a lamp to my feet  
and a light to my path.”  
Psalm 119:105***

My prayer is that this little booklet, though short, will make a lasting impact on your life. If you haven't yet fallen in love with reading your Bible, I am praying that after the next 40 days, you will experience what I did when I started to read God's Word on a daily basis.

Nothing has benefited my walk more than my times with the Lord and His Word. My emotions, relationships, marriage and ministry are exponentially better because of the Word of God. I fell in love with the Bible in my late 20s. Ever since then, it has become a part of my daily life. It leads me, guides me, challenges me and the truth in it sets me free!

I am so excited for you to go on this 40-day journey. God wants to speak and show you His plan for your life, and the Bible is where we find that! I hope this 40-day plan blesses you and helps you create a healthy rhythm of reading and reflecting on the greatness of God.

Enjoy the next 40 days!

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## How to Journal

I have found that journaling after my daily read brings transformation at a whole new level. I start with a prayer asking God to show me what He wants me to see in my daily read. God will speak through His word, we just need to be ready to see and hear it. Before you read each day, prepare your heart and mind to receive.

### **Scripture**

Find a verse or two that speaks to you. Everyday God has a truth in His word that will bring us more freedom and joy. Some will be to encourage, challenge, and inspire you to become everything God created you to be. The purpose of scripture isn't information, it is transformation.

### **Application**

Write down how you will apply this verse to your every day life. Your daily read should take you from knowledge to obedience. Throughout the Bible, God shows us the blessing we have in obeying His Word. Find a truth each day and apply it.

### **Prayer**

Finish with a prayer. Prayer is one of the greatest gifts and weapons the Lord gives us to live in victory every day of our life. Ask the Holy Spirit to lead you and empower you to carry out the task ahead of you.

**START READING →**

## **Galatians // The Book About Freedom**

- **Day 1: Galatians 1-2**
- **Day 2: Galatians 3-4**
- **Day 3: Galatians 5-6**

Galatians has been called the “magna carta” of freedom. When you read this book you will see a group of people trying to make their journey all about religion. Paul, the author used by God, shows us that religion only brings bondage. Jesus is where we find freedom. Jesus said, “It is finished.” He did all the work, and now it’s our responsibility to respond to that gift of grace and live a life that glorifies His sacrifice.

Enjoy your read!

# ***GALATIANS // PAGE 1***

## **Philippians // The Book of Joy**

■ **Day 4: Philippians 1-2**

■ **Day 5: Philippians 3-4**

Philippians is a brief letter written by the apostle Paul. Incredibly, he is chained up in prison, yet teaching us about joy. This joy isn't found in the world or through circumstance, it's found only in Jesus and in living the life He called us to live. What a great challenge to not chase after happiness, which depends on circumstance, but to be rooted in the spiritual reality that joy comes from heaven.

### **Themes of Each Chapter:**

Chapter 1 - Joy in the Gospel

Chapter 2 - Joy in Unity

Chapter 3 - Joy in Commitment

Chapter 4 - Joy in the Lord

# ***PHILIPPIANS // PAGE 2***

## **Ephesians // A Book About Our Identity**

- **Day 6: Ephesians 1-2**
- **Day 7: Ephesians 3-4**
- **Day 8: Ephesians 5-6**

This book is also written by Paul. He is in prison writing this letter to the church in Ephesus. It begins with a declarative verse in Ephesian 1:4 that says ***we were chosen for a purpose and mission.***

In this book you will see the phrase “In Christ” quite a few times. God is trying to show us where we will find our ***purpose, value, satisfaction and identity.*** The purpose of this book is to show you that your identity is in Christ. I believe that knowing your identity will affect your activity. May God’s love affect the way you love!

## ***EPHESIANS // PAGE 3***



## **John // A Book About Relationship**

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| ■ Day 9: John 1-2   | ■ Day 14: John 11-12 |
| ■ Day 10: John 3-4  | ■ Day 15: John 13-14 |
| ■ Day 11: John 5-6  | ■ Day 16: John 15-16 |
| ■ Day 12: John 7-8  | ■ Day 17: John 17-18 |
| ■ Day 13: John 9-10 | ■ Day 18: John 19-21 |

The Gospel of John is one of my personal favorites. I love how the disciple John shows us repeatedly how much Jesus loves us, and that His mission and sacrifice are fueled by love.

I didn't grow up in church, but religion always grossed me out. I loved finding out that it grossed Jesus out too. Jesus loves relationship! Enjoy reading this book and notice how much Jesus desires to connect with His people. Jesus wants to connect with you through this amazing book.

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# **JOHN // PAGE 4**

## **John // Continued**

John is one of the four gospels. You will notice that it is different from the other three, which are known as the “synoptic” gospels. Synoptic is a fancy word for “similar”. The first three gospel books have roughly 60% in common, but the gospel of John is 90% different in content. I love how rich each gospel is, it allows us to see different facets of our Savior.

Enjoy!

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## **Romans // The Cornerstone**

- Day 19: Romans 1-2   ■ Day 23: Romans 9-10
- Day 20: Romans 3-4   ■ Day 24: Romans 11-12
- Day 21: Romans 5-6   ■ Day 25: Romans 13-14
- Day 22: Romans 7-8   ■ Day 26: Romans 15-16

The book of Romans is written by none other than Paul the apostle. You have probably noticed by now that he is one of the main authors used by God to speak to His church today. Before you read this book, you need to know a few things - the book of Romans is the theological cornerstone of the New Testament. It is arguably the greatest of all Paul's epistles. Not because it is better than any other book he wrote, but because it is the most comprehensive book on how to live out our faith in Christ.

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# **ROMANS // PAGE 6**

## **Romans // Continued**

Do not read this book just for information, but rather allow it to produce transformation. The Lord's heart for us when we read His Word is to help us become the masterpiece He intended. That doesn't happen by just filling our minds with information. It happens with a soft heart and willingness to be shaped by the Word of God. I pray this book will set you free of unhealthy rhythms and produce Godly rhythms.

Enjoy!

# **ROMANS // PAGE 7**

## **1st & 2nd Timothy // The Last Words from One of the Giants of Our Faith**

- Day 27: 1st Tim 1-2
- Day 28: 1st Tim 3-4
- Day 29: 1st Tim 5-6
- Day 30: 2nd Tim 1-2
- Day 31: 2nd Tim 3-4

First and Second Timothy are two letters written to an individual, rather than a church. Second Timothy is Paul's last words before his death. Imagine that - one of the greatest servants of Christ to ever walk the planet is giving you his last words! I would lean in and take notes, and that is exactly what you should do with this book. Paul, who has run the race and fought the good fight, is now passing the baton to his disciple Timothy, but he is also passing it to you and me.

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# **1ST & 2ND TIMOTHY // PAGE 8**

## 1st & 2nd Timothy // Continued

He is going to challenge you to not grow apathetic in your mission, but to fight and keep the passion of your calling. ***You and I are called.***

A calling is a word you will see throughout the Bible. The simplest way to share with you what a calling ***is***, would be to tell you what it ***isn't***. Your calling isn't a job. It's not something you quit or move on from. ***It is who you are.*** It is one of the greatest reasons you are alive. None of us are saved by works. The Bible makes that very clear. But the Bible also makes it very clear that we are saved to do a great work. Paul is challenging us to never forget that. You and I have a great mission ahead of us, and we must not get sidetracked.

Enjoy!

**1ST & 2ND  
TIMOTHY // PAGE 9**

## **Colossians // A Book to a Church Plant - It's All About Jesus**

■ **Day 32: Colossians 1-2**

■ **Day 33: Colossians 3-4**

The book of Colossians is written to an early church plant. This church was facing the temptation to be just like the world.

Paul is also trying to battle heresy (teachings contrary to scripture) in this book. God's challenge to the church is to let your king, Jesus, shape your life and culture. This world will fight to shape and control you, but Jesus sacrificed His life to redeem, restore and free you. I love this short book. All four chapters are all about Jesus - our lives should be too! Enjoy.

# **COLOSSIANS // PAGE 10**



## **Mark // A Book about Living Out Your Mission**

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| ■ Day 34: Mark 1-2 | ■ Day 38: Mark 9-10  |
| ■ Day 35: Mark 3-4 | ■ Day 39: Mark 11-13 |
| ■ Day 36: Mark 5-6 | ■ Day 40: Mark 14-16 |
| ■ Day 37: Mark 7-8 |                      |

I want us to finish this 40-Day Read Through journey in the gospel of Mark. The gospel of Mark shows our savior on the move, living out His mission on this earth. Jesus goes from one assignment to the next. He lives with intentionality to serve and save the lost. You will notice that Jesus is never running around complaining about how busy He is. Instead, you will see Jesus live each day to its fullest. That is my prayer for Mission Church, that we would all live our life to the fullest! That we wouldn't get caught up in the busyness of this world, but we would live with an intention to change this world **one person at a time**.

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# **MARK // PAGE 11**



## **Mark // Continued**

I pray this book challenges you to re-organize your life in such a way that people would be blessed because they know you. May God's kingdom come and will be done in your life and in our church!

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## **Well Done!**

I want to encourage you now to grab a “Read Through the Bible in a Year” booklet located at the Welcome Tent. If you haven’t joined a Mission Group or been through Mission Track - sign up today on our site! I mentioned in the beginning of this 40-Day Read Through, that my daily Bible reading affected my life in one of the best possible ways. Well, I should share that the other part of that journey was me plugging into my first church. God doesn’t want you to attend church. He wants you to be a part of it! My life started to flourish when I found community in HIS church. ***Jesus died for relationship, so we believe we should invest in it.*** Get planted in Mission Church today!

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***“The righteous flourish like the palm tree  
And grow like a cedar in Lebanon.  
They are planted in the house of the Lord;  
They flourish in the courts of our God.”  
Psalm 92:12-13***

**Congratulations!**  
**You've Completed**  
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