

2024 Granger MC Bible Reading Plan

We wanted our reading plan to look a little different this year. We didn't want a heavy reading burden, or the usual chronological journey that does not intentionally help you see God's redemptive story through Scripture. This year's reading plan is a "redemptive-historical" plan. The purpose of this plan is to see God's plan of salvation unfold throughout history in pages of Scripture.

Our hope and prayer with this plan is to equip people with the Biblical Literacy and Gospel Fluency that we need in our everyday lives. This plan will be a Mon-Wed-Fri format to allow space for digging deeper and reflection. We cannot wait to see how God will use His Word in your life this year!

Creation

Where else is there to start except the beginning? We start with the foundation of the earth which initiates the story of God's redemptive history.

- Mon, Jan 1 - Gen 1 (The Beginning)
- Wed, Jan 3 - Gen 2 (Adam & Eve)
- Fri, Jan 5 - Psalm 19 (Heavens Declare)
- Mon, Jan 8 - Job 38 (Where were you...)
- Wed, Jan 10 - John 1 (The Word in the Beginning)
- Fri, Jan 12 - Col. 1 (Agency of Christ)
- Mon, Jan 15 - 2 Cor. 4 (Light of Christ)
- Wed, Jan 17 - Heb 1 (Agency of Christ)

Fall & Judgement

Here marks the marring of God's good creation. Let's explore the "problem" for which the rest of Scripture provides the "answer".

- Fri, Jan 19 - Gen 3 (Original Sin)
- Mon, Jan 22 - Gen 6-9 (The Flood)
- Wed, Jan 24 - Psalm 51 (Sinfulness from Birth)
- Fri, Jan 26 - Rom 1 (Downward Spiral of Sin)
- Mon, Jan 29 - Rom 5 (Sin Through Adam)
- Wed, Jan 31 - Rom 8 (Unwinding the Curse)
- Fri, Feb 2 - 2 Peter 3 - (Reflections of the Flood)

Abrahamic Covenant

Here is the central promise that drives OT history. The covenant that gives a nation from Abraham's offspring, a land in which to dwell, and the blessing of all nations through him - all by faith.

- Mon, Feb 5 - Gen 12 (Abram's Call)
- Wed, Feb 7 - Gen 14 (Abram & Melchizedek)
- Fri, Feb 9 - Gen 15 (Abram's Belief)
- Mon, Feb 12 - Gen 17 (Circumcision)
- Wed, Feb 14 - Gen 22 - (Testing Abraham)
- Fri, Feb 16 - Matt. 1:1-17 (Abraham's Lineage)
- Mon, Feb 19 - Rom 4 (Heir of the World)
- Wed, Feb 21 - Gal. 3 (Justification by Faith)
- Fri, Feb 23 - James 2 (Reflecting on Testing)
- Mon, Feb 26 - Heb 7 (Jesus, Abraham, Melchizedek)

Promise Continued through Patriarchs

God fulfills his promise to Abraham by giving him twelve descendants from which the tribes of Israel emerge.

- Wed, Feb 28 - Gen 26-27 (Promise to Isaac)
- Fri, Mar 1 - Gen 32 (Jacob Renamed)
- Mon, Mar 4 - Gen 49 (Blessings on 12 Sons)
- Wed, Mar 6 - Psalm 105 (The Patriarchs)
- Fri, Mar 8 - Acts 7 (Stephen's 'OT History')
- Mon, Mar 11 - Rom 9 (Sovereign Choice)
- Wed, Mar 13 - Gal. 4 ("We Are Like Isaac")
- Fri, Mar 15 - Heb 11 (Hall of Faith)
- Mon, Mar 18 - Matt. 22 (God of...)

Exodus in Egypt

The catalyst of the OT, which provides the context from which most of our OT redemptive theology flows. The exodus is the primary event in the OT in which God saves his covenant people.

- Wed, Mar 20 - Exodus 3 (Moses Encounters God)
- Fri, Mar 22 - Exodus 12-14 (Passover & Exodus)
- Mon, Mar 25 - Exodus 15 (Moses' Song of Praise)
- Wed, Mar 27 - Psalm 78 - (Remembering the Exodus)
- Fri, Mar 29 - Psalm 136 - (Praise for Deliverance)
- Mon, Apr 1 - Hosea 11 ("Out of Egypt...")
- Wed, Apr 3 - Matt 2 (Jesus to Egypt)
- Fri, Apr 5 - Matt 26 (Jesus Keeps Passover)
- Mon, Apr 8 - 1 Cor 5 (Christ is Our Passover)
- Wed, Apr 10 - Jude (Jesus Delivers)

Mosaic Covenant & Law

After bringing His people out of Egypt, God concretizes the Abrahamic covenant for the new nation of Israel. God gives the Law that declares his righteous standards as well as his sacrificial system that provides a way for sinful people to have a relationship with a holy God.

- Fri, Apr 12 - Exodus 19-20 (Decalogue)
- Mon, Apr 15 - Exodus 24 - (Blood of the Covenant)
- Wed, Apr 17 - Exodus 34 (Moses' Face)
- Fri, Apr 19 - Exodus 40 (God's Glory)
- Mon, Apr 22 - Lev 16 (Day of Atonement)
- Wed, Apr 24 - Deut 5-6 (Covenant Re-confirmed)
- Fri, Apr 26 - Deut 28-30 (Blessings & Curses)
- Mon, Apr 29 - Psalm 119 (Goodness of God's Law)
- Wed, May 1 - Matt 5 (Fulfilling the Law)
- Fri, May 3 - Mark 10 (Reflecting on the Decalogue)
- Mon, May 6 - Luke 22 (Blood of the New Covenant)
- Wed, May 8 - Rom 10 (Righteousness & Law)
- Fri, May 10 - 2 Cor 3 (Moses' Shining Face)
- Mon, May 13 - Gal 5 (Reassessing Law)
- Wed, May 15 - Heb 9 (Christ's Atonement)

Rebellion in the Wilderness

Israel immediately falls into the pattern of sin and rebellion against their God, resulting in their judgment before entering the promised land.

- Fri, May 17 - Num 11 (Manna and Quail)
- Mon, May 20 - Num 14 (Rebellion)

- Wed, May 22 - Num 20 (Water from the rock)
- Fri, May 24 - Num 21 (Bronze Serpent)
- Mon, May 27 - Psalm 95 (Hard Hearts)
- Wed, May 29 - John 3 (Son of Man Lifted Up)
- Fri, May 31 - John 6 (True Manna)
- Mon, Jun 3 - 1 Cor 10 ("The Rock was Christ")
- Wed, Jun 5 - Heb 3 (Do not Have Hard Hearts)

Conquest and Leadership on the Land

Joshua leads the nation into the promised land, and the initial period of leadership by the Judges is one of ups and downs.

- Fri, Jun 7 - Deut 1-3 (Preparing to Enter)
- Mon, Jun 10 - Joshua 1 (Commissioning of Joshua)
- Wed, Jun 12 - Joshua 6 (Jericho)
- Fri, Jun 14 - Joshua 24 (Covenant Renewal)
- Mon, Jun 17 - Judges 2 (Period of Judges)
- Wed, Jun 19 - Judges 13-16 (Samson)
- Fri, Jun 21 - Acts 13 (Israel's History)
- Mon, Jun 24 - Heb 4 (Promise of Rest)

Establishing the Monarchy

God installs a king over Israel as his vice-regent to bring security and stability to the nation, as well as build a temple where God's manifest presence would be made known.

- Wed, Jun 26 - 1 Sam 1-2 (Samuel as Leader)
- Fri, Jun 28 - 1 Sam 8-10 (Saul Anointed King)
- Mon, Jul 1 - 1 Sam 16 (David is Anointed)
- Wed, Jul 3 - 2 Sam 5 (David Rules)
- Fri, Jul 5 - 2 Sam 11-12 (David, Bathsheba, Solomon)

- Mon, Jul 8 - 1 Chr 17 (Covenant with David)
- Wed, Jul 10 - 2 Chr 5 (Solomon Completes Temple)
- Fri, Jul 12 - Psalm 2 (God's Royal Son)
- Mon, Jul 15 - Psalm 89 (Covenant with David)
- Wed, Jul 17 - Psalm 110 ("Sit at my Right Hand")
- Fri, Jul 19 - Matt 12 (Jesus > Temple > Solomon)
- Mon, Jul 22 - Luke 1-2 (Jesus, the Davidic King)
- Wed, Jul 24 - Luke 20 (Jesus and Psalm 110)
- Fri, Jul 26 - Rom 1 (Jesus, of David in the Flesh)
- Mon, Jul 29 - Phil 2 (Jesus Exalted as King)
- Wed, Jul 31 - Heb 12 (Jesus on the Throne)
- Fri, Aug 2 - Rev 7 (Worship the Enthroned Lamb)

Religious Life of the Nation

During the early monarchy, Israel's devotional life flourishes in psalms and wisdom writings.

- Mon, Aug 5 - Psalm 1 (Two Ways to Live)
- Wed, Aug 7 - Psalm 22 (David's Lament)
- Fri, Aug 9 - Psalm 72 (Prayer for the King)
- Mon, Aug 12 - Psalm 118 ("Blessed is he...")
- Wed, Aug 14 - Prov 1-2 (Wisdom and Knowledge)
- Fri, Aug 16 - Prov 8 (Praise of Wisdom)
- Mon, Aug 19 - Eccl 1 ("Vanity of vanities...")
- Wed, Aug 21 - Eccl 12 (Fear God)
- Fri, Aug 23 - Song 1 (Goodness of Marital Love)

Degradation of the Monarchy

After Solomon, the monarchy splits into the Northern Kingdom (10 Tribes, 'Israel'/'Ephraim,' based in Samaria) and the Southern Kingdom (2 Tribes, 'Judah,' based in Jerusalem) and spirals into sin.

- Mon, Aug 26 - 1 Kgs 11-13 (Kingdom Divided)
- Wed, Aug 28 - 1 Kgs 17-22 (Elijah and Ahab)
- Fri, Aug 30 - 2 Chr 33 (Evil Under Manasseh)
- Mon, Sep 2 - Luke 4 (Remembering Elijah's Ministry)

Israel and Judah in Exile

Due to repeated cycles of sin, the covenant curse of exile is poured out. Assyria defeats the Northern Kingdom/Israel (722 BC) while Babylon defeats the Southern Kingdom/Judah (586 BC).

- Wed, Sep 4 - 2 Kgs 17 (Fall of Israel to Assyria)
- Fri, Sep 6 - Isa 7 (Assyria assails Judah, Immanuel)
- Mon, Sep 9 - 2 Kgs 24-25 (Fall of Judah to Babylon)
- Wed, Sep 11 - Micah 1 (Pronouncing judgment)
- Fri, Sep 13 - Hosea 1-2 ("Not my people")
- Mon, Sep 16 - Zeph 1 (Punishment from the Lord)
- Wed, Sep 18 - Ezek 11 (God's Glory Leaves the Temple)
- Fri, Sep 20 - Matt 1:18-25 (Immanuel Fulfilled)
- Mon, Sep 23 - 1 Peter 2 ("My people")

Grief and Consolation During Exile

Judah grieves during exile but is comforted by the prophets, who reiterate God's promise for redemption and restoration.

- Wed, Sep 25 - Lam 1 (Mourning Over Jerusalem)
- Fri, Sep 27 - Psalm 44 (Plea for God to Rescue)
- Mon, Sep 30 - Psalm 69 - (Zeal for the Temple)
- Wed, Oct 2 - Jer 25 (Promise of 70 Year Exile)

- Fri, Oct 4 - Hab 2 (Faith to Endure Judgement)
- Mon, Oct 7 - Dan 1-2 (Babylon to be Judged)
- Wed, Oct 9 - Dan 9 - (Jeremiah's Promise)
- Fri, Oct 11 - John 2 (Zeal for the Temple)
- Mon, Oct 14 - Heb 10 (Faith to Endure)

(Partial) Restoration from Exile

Though the Northern Kingdom is never fully restored (repopulated by Samaritans), the Southern Kingdom is released under Persian rule to rebuild the temple, but things are never quite the same.

- Wed, Oct 16 - Ezra 1-6 (Returning to Rebuild)
- Fri, Oct 18 - Neh 8-9 (Covenant Renewal)
- Mon, Oct 21 - Hag 1 (Encouragement to Rebuild)
- Wed, Oct 23 - John 4 (Jesus and Samaritan Women)

Anticipating an Eschatological Deliverer

Throughout the period of the prophets, we get glimpses of an eschatological savior, a "messiah," who will bring deliverance to God's People.

- Fri, Oct 25 - Isaiah 9 ("A Child is Born")
- Mon, Oct 28 - Isaiah 11 ("Root of Jesse")
- Wed, Oct 30 - Isaiah 52:11-53:12 (Suffering Servant)
- Fri, Nov 1 - Jer 23 (Righteous "Branch")
- Mon, Nov 4 - Ezek 1 (Likeness of the Glory of God)
- Wed, Nov 6 - Ezek 34 (Shepherd of Israel)
- Fri, Nov 8 - Zech 9 (King on a Donkey)
- Mon, Nov 11 - Dan 7 ("One Like a Son of Man")
- Wed, Nov 13 - Matt 21 (Jesus on a Donkey)
- Fri, Nov 15 - Mark 13 (Returning Son of Man)

- Mon, Nov 18 - John 10 (The Good Shepherd)
- Wed, Nov 20 - Rom 15 (Root of Jesse)
- Fri, Nov 22 - Acts 8 (Who is the Suffering Servant?)
- Mon, Nov 25 - Rev 4 (The Throne Room)
- Wed, Nov 27 - Rev 5 (Root of David)

Anticipating Final Redemption

With the coming of a deliverer, the OT prophets also envisioned a new covenant, the return of God's presence, the outpouring of the Spirit, the inclusion of the Gentiles, cosmic renewal, and the resurrection in the Day of the Lord.

- Fri, Nov 29 - Jer 33 (New Covenant)
- Mon, Dec 2 - Isaiah 42 (Justice and Light)
- Wed, Dec 4 - Isaiah 65-66 (New Heavens & Earth)
- Fri, Dec 6 - Joel 2 (Spirit Outpouring)
- Mon, Dec 9 - Ezek 36 (Spirit & New Heart)
- Wed, Dec 11 - Ezek 43 (Return of Glory)
- Fri, Dec 13 - Mal 3-4 (Messenger Before the Day)
- Mon, Dec 16 - Dan 12 (Eschatological Resurrection)
- Wed, Dec 18 - Acts 2 (Pentecost)
- Fri, Dec 20 - Rom 11 (Jews and Gentiles)
- Mon, Dec 23 - 1 Cor 15 (Eschatological Resurrection)
- Wed, Dec 25 - Ephesians 2 (By Grace through Faith)
- Fri, Dec 27 - Heb 8 (New Covenant)
- Mon, Dec 30 - Rev 21-22 (New Heavens & New Earth)