



Hope Valley was birthed to establish a church that looks like heaven. We intend to look like heaven in the diversity of our people, our love for God, our love for each other, and our love for people who are far from God.

To commemorate our anniversary month, our reading guide (and sermon series) follow the themes of Following Jesus, Building Relationships with Other Christians, Living on Mission, and Living by Faith. It's my hope that this guide will stir your faith, deepens your fellowship with Jesus, and mobilizes you for gospel-centered living.

Each day focuses on one of these foundational aspects of the Christian life, and offers daily Scripture readings paired with a Psalm or Proverb to anchor your reflection. Take time to journal your answers or just ponder them as you go through your day.

If you run into questions as you read, study, and reflect please don't hesitate to reach out. That's what we're here for.

Week 1: Following Jesus

Day 1 – Matthew 4:18–22

Psalm 63

What did the first disciples leave behind to follow Jesus? What did they gain as a result? Is there anything God is asking me to leave behind?

Day 2 – Luke 9:23–27

Psalm 86:11–13

What do I think of when I think about picking up my cross? What does denying myself and carrying my cross look like in my daily life?

Day 3 – John 10:1–18

Psalm 23

What does the voice of the Shepherd sound like to me? When was the last time I remember hearing His voice? How can I better recognize and follow the voice of the Good Shepherd?

Day 4 – Mark 8:34–38

Psalm 16:1–11

What would it mean for me to lose my life for Jesus and the gospel?

Day 5 – Matthew 11:28–30

Psalm 131

What would it look like to be at rest in the presence of God? Am I holding onto anything that He is inviting me to lay down?

Day 6 – John 15:1–11

Psalm 1

Where do I most naturally abide (Netflix, recreation, God's presence, etc? Be honest). What would abiding in God look like? What would the fruit of the Spirit look like in my life in this season?

Day 7 – Luke 6:46–49

Proverbs 3:5–6

Where might I be hearing Jesus' words but not putting them into practice?

Week 2: Relationships with Other Christians

Day 8 – Acts 2:42–47

Psalm 133

What practices marked the early church? From among those practices, what practice does my heart long for (or do you need) the most in this season? How can I respond to this desire today?

Day 9 – John 13:34–35

Proverbs 17:17

What does it mean to love one another? Who is someone I can “love on” this week?

Day 10 – Romans 12:9–21

Psalm 34:11–14

This passage is loaded with action- which is the most natural to my wiring? What is the most difficult or challenging for me? Pray and ask God for help.

Day 11 – Galatians 6:1–10

Proverbs 11:25

Who is God inviting me to help this week? (Note: don't just assume, take a few minutes and ask God to speak to your heart)

Day 12 – Ephesians 4:1–6

Psalm 133

What would it look like to contribute to unity in the Body of Christ? How is God calling me to contribute to unity at Hope Valley?

Day 13 – 1 Corinthians 12:12–27

Psalm 139:13–16

What do I contribute to the body of Christ? Am I being faithful in this?

Day 14 – James 5:13–20

Proverbs 27:17

Who has God put in my life who I can share mutual prayer, encouragement and accountability?

Week 3: Living on Mission // Introducing Others to Jesus

Day 15 – Matthew 5:13–16

Psalm 96:1–3

What could it look like for me to shine the light of Christ where I live and work? What becomes possible if I step out in faith like this?

Day 16 – Matthew 28:16–20

Psalm 117

What does it mean for me to be a disciple of Jesus? What is a way that I can partner with the Holy Spirit in making new disciples of Jesus?

Day 17 – Acts 1:6–11

Psalm 67

Where is God calling me to be a witness—and am I willing to go?

Day 18 – 2 Corinthians 5:14–21

Psalm 40:9–10

Who has been a voice of reconciliation for me? How has Jesus' love compelled me to be an ambassador for reconciliation?

Day 19 – 1 Peter 3:13–17

Psalm 19:14

Am I prepared to share the reason for my hope with gentleness and respect? What is a step I can take, a person I can talk to, or a thing I can do to be more prepared?

Day 20 – Romans 10:9–17

Psalm 96:10–13

Who in my life needs to hear the gospel—and how can I help them hear?

Day 21 – John 4:1–42

Psalm 145:1–7

What did I notice about Jesus and his approach to the Samaritan woman? How can I be like Jesus to the “outsider” as it relates to knowing or relating to God?

Week 4: Living by Faith

Day 22 – Hebrews 11:1–16

Psalm 46

Hebrews 11 is often called the “Hall of Faith” what happened in my heart and mind when I read about their faith and God’s response to their faith? What is a place in my life where I need to trust God?

Day 23 – Matthew 6:25–34

Psalm 121

Where in my life do I have worry, fear, or anxiety? What could change if I really believed that God sees you and cares for me?

Day 24 – Habakkuk 3:17–19

Psalm 13

What is an area of my life that isn’t “budding” or is “dry”? What would it look like for me to rejoice in the Lord even while there is lack?

Day 25 – James 1:2–8

Psalm 27:13–14

What kinds of trial am I currently facing? (*If not my own trials - the trials of those around me*) What is God inviting me to discover, know, or believe in the midst of the challenge?

Day 26 – Romans 4:18–25

Psalm 33:18–22

Are there any areas of my life that are ‘dead’? In what area do I need to believe God like Abraham did, even when it seems unlikely?

Day 27 – Galatians 2:15–21

Psalm 32:1–2

How does knowing I’m justified by faith in Christ shape how I live today?

Day 28 – Hebrews 12:1–3

Proverbs 4:25–27

What sin or ‘weights entangle me’ do I need to lay aside to run with endurance the race marked out for me?