

A ONE – YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN

October 2026

Bible Study Tools

OCTOBER 2026

☐ 1	Thu	Jeremiah 8-10			2 Cor 11
☐ 2	Fri	Jeremiah 11-13			2 Cor 12
☐ 3	Sat	*Reflection*			
☐ 4	Sun	*Reflection*			
☐ 5	Mon	Jeremiah 14-16		Psalm 76	2 Cor 13
☐ 6	Tue	Jeremiah 17-20			James 1
☐ 7	Wed	Jeremiah 22-23,26		Psalm 77	James 2
☐ 8	Thu	Jeremiah 25, 35-36, 45		Psalm 133	James 3
☐ 9	Fri	Jeremiah 27-29,24			James 4
☐ 10	Sat	*Reflection*			
☐ 11	Sun	*Reflection*			
☐ 12	Mon	Jeremiah 37,21,34		Psalm 79	James 5
☐ 13	Tue	Jeremiah 30-33			1 Peter 1
☐ 14	Wed	Jeremiah 38-39,52			1 Peter 2
☐ 15	Thu	2 Kings 24-25	2 Chronicles 36	Psalm 126	1 Peter 3
☐ 16	Fri	Lamentations 1-5		Psalm 137	1 Peter 4
☐ 17	Sat	*Reflection*			
☐ 18	Sun	*Reflection*			
☐ 19	Mon	Obadiah	Jeremiah 40-42	Psalm 147	1 Peter 5
☐ 20	Tue	Jeremiah 43-44, 46			2 Peter 1
☐ 21	Wed	Jeremiah 47-49		Psalm 80	2 Peter 2
☐ 22	Thu	Jeremiah 50-51			2 Peter 3
☐ 23	Fri	Ezekiel 1-3			John 1
☐ 24	Sat	*Reflection*			
☐ 25	Sun	*Reflection*			
☐ 26	Mon	Ezekiel 4-6		Psalm 82	John 2
☐ 27	Tue	Ezekiel 7-9			John 3
☐ 28	Wed	Ezekiel 10-12		Psalm 83	John 4
☐ 29	Thu	Ezekiel 13-15		Psalm 136	John 5
☐ 30	Fri	Ezekiel 16-18			John 6
☐ 31	Sat	*Reflection*			

Adapted from **www.FiveDayBibleReading.com**

How it Works: The Old Testament readings are placed as chronologically as possible (even the Psalms are read where they belong in Israel's history when feasible, and this is why some prophets -- notably Jeremiah -- appear to be "out of order"). The only exception is Job, probably the oldest book in the Bible, but placed at the Schedule's end because it is hard to fit elsewhere. The New Testament readings space the Gospels out throughout the year to keep the reader constantly coming back to the life and teachings of Jesus. Always do the reading in the order it appears on the Schedule. For example, if a reading from Chronicles appears before Kings, read from Chronicles first.

JEREMIAH

AT-A-GLANCE



O.T. BOOK #24 | AUTHOR: THE PROPHET JEREMIAH | WRITTEN: 585-570 BC

Prophecies Come True in this Time Period: 575 BC – 25 AD

Old Testament: 39 Books | 24 | New Testament: 27 Books

CLAIMS TO FAME: **Jeremiah was known as the lamenting prophet, because God was so mad at the time he prophesied, and true prophetic news from God was rarely good. However, the Prophet also offers some of the most beautiful words of hope in the Bible.**

FAMOUS STORIES INCLUDED:

- **There are no stories in Jeremiah—only prophecies**

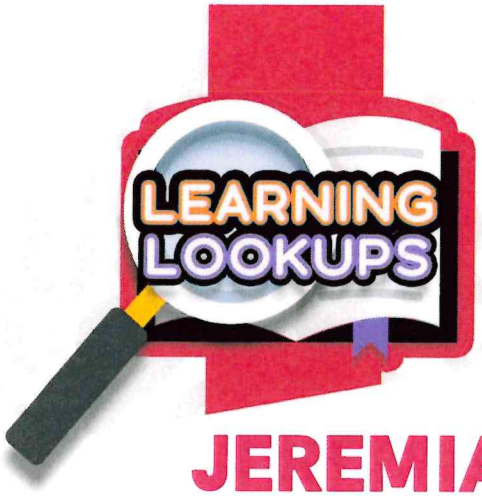
MOST FAMOUS VERSES:

For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future. ***Jeremiah 29:11***

"Call to me and I will answer you and tell you great and unsearchable things you do not know.'" ***Jeremiah 33:3***

Important Points about the Book:

- Jeremiah was nearly 20 years old when he began to prophesy. He prophesied for the rest of his adult life of 40 years or more.
- Jeremiah was prophesying to a nation behaving terribly, and judgment from God was on its way. The Kingdom of Judah had watched as the Kingdom of Israel was destroyed by the Assyrians. They feared the Babylonians who would eventually overpower them and take them away in exile. But rather than ask God for help and repenting, they continued to hurt others and themselves.
- Jeremiah also makes great references to the new covenant God intended to have once Christ came to earth. This new covenant would be the means with which he would restore his relationship with mankind. Jeremiah wrote that God would write his law in our hearts and we would worship God directly and not through priests.



BOOKS OF THE OLD TESTAMENT

JEREMIAH & LAMENTATIONS

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He also wrote the Bible book Lamentations. It was a sad book, written just after the Babylonian invasion of Judah. All the people had been taken away to exile, and Jerusalem was vacant and in shambles.

1. **Considered the most popular verse in Jeremiah right now, this one speaks to people who are in trials or who need God's help. It states that God has this for his people.** *(Jeremiah 29:11)*

2. **God will tell us certain things if we seek him diligently. Those things are referred to in this way.** *(Jeremiah 33:3)*

3. **This part of human makeup is deceitful above all things and beyond cure.** *(Jeremiah 17:9)*

4. **Prophets are appointed as far back as when they are in this place.** *(Jeremiah 1:5)*

5. **You will find God when you search for him in this way.** *(Jeremiah 29:13)*

6. **You cannot do this with God.** *(Jeremiah 16:17)*

7. **After the Jews were taken to Babylon in exile, Jeremiah roamed the deserted streets and described the once-beautiful gates of Jerusalem this way.** *(Lamentations 1:4)*

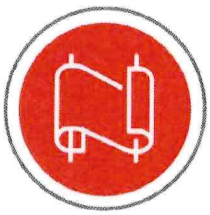
8. **Jeremiah laments that those who were once dressed royally were now dead, lying in these.** *(Lamentations 4:5)*

Choose from:

ash heaps desolate heart hide plans
unsearchable things with all your heart womb

II KINGS

AT-A-GLANCE

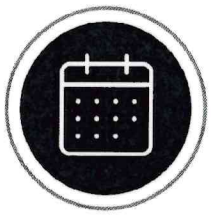


O.T. BOOK #12



AUTHOR: UNKNOWN

however, the stories were written or put together in Babylon, during the Great Exile



WRITTEN: 550 BC

Covering the time period of 850-575 BC

12 | Old Testament: 39 Books | New Testament: 27 Books

CLAIMS TO FAME: **Contains the story of Elijah being taken alive up to heaven.**

FAMOUS STORIES INCLUDED:

- **Elijah is swept up to heaven.**
- **Elisha raises a boy from the dead.**
- **Naaman is cured of leprosy by washing in dirty water.**
- **Jerusalem is plundered by the Babylonians, and the Great Exile begins.**

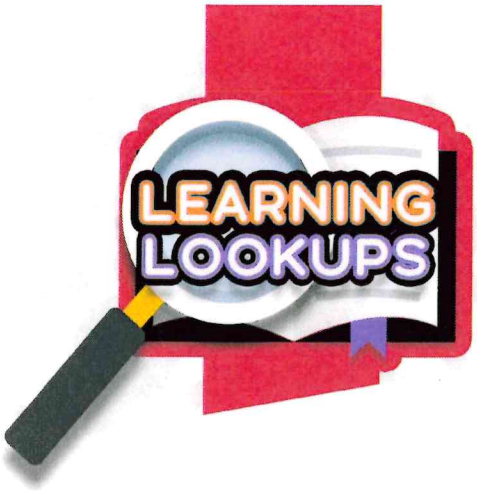
MOST FAMOUS VERSES:

The company of the prophets at Bethel came out to Elisha and asked, "Do you know that the LORD is going to take your master from you today?" "Yes, I know," Elisha replied... ***2 Kings 2:3***

Elijah answered the captain, "If I am a man of God, may fire come down from heaven and consume you and your fifty men!" Then fire fell from heaven and consumed the captain and his men. ***2 Kings 1:10***

Important Points about the Book:

- 2 Kings begins where 1 Kings leaves off.
- Chapters 2 through 7 cover the ministry of the prophet Elisha after Elijah is taken up to heaven. Chapter 13 covers the death of Elisha.
- The book covers the reigns of many kings of Israel and Judah, telling short stories about some of the most notable, good and evil. It ends with Chapter 25 and the Babylonian invasion of Judah, when Solomon's temple was destroyed.



BOOKS OF THE OLD TESTAMENT

1 & 2 KINGS

First Kings continues the stories of Samuel 1 and 2. First Kings covers the reign of David's son, King Solomon, known as the wisest and wealthiest man alive. It contains the stories of the important prophet Elijah, who appeared at the Transfiguration with Jesus 800 years later. Second Kings covers the reigns of many kings of Israel and Judah, good and evil. It ends with the Babylonian invasion of Judah and the end of the line of kings.

1. **Solomon had more wisdom than people from the east or from this country.** (1 Kings 4:30)

2. **This prophet asked God to light a fire on a totally drenched altar.** (1 Kings 18:36-37)

3. **This is what the evil King Ahab called Elijah, just before Elijah performed a great miracle and called off a three-year famine and drought.** *(1 Kings 18:16-18)*

4. **This place is where the prophet Elijah asked God to perform the miracle of lighting the drenched altar.** *(1 Kings 18:19)*

5. **This is the place where the prophet Elijah killed hundreds of false prophets of Baal.** *(1 Kings 18:40)*

6. **This man is recorded as one of the worst kings of Israel because he inspired almost all the kings that followed him to worship idols.** *(1 Kings 13:33)*

7. **This evil mother destroyed her whole family so she could be queen.** *(2 Kings 11:1-3)*

8. **This evil king was one of two who sacrificed their children to a false god.** *(2 Kings 16:1-4)*

9. **This prophet watched his best friend be taken away before dying.** *(2 Kings 2:11-12)*

Choose from:

Ahaz Athaliah Egypt Elijah Elisha Jeroboam
Kishon Valley Mount Carmel troubler of Israel

II CHRONICLES

AT-A-GLANCE



O.T. BOOK #14



AUTHOR: UNKNOWN
though the scribe Ezra has been cited as a possible candidate.



WRITTEN: AROUND 340 BC

Covering the time period of 975 BC through 525 BC

14 Old Testament: 39 Books | New Testament: 27 Books

CLAIMS TO FAME: **Contains the history of King Solomon finishing the temple.**

FAMOUS STORIES INCLUDED:

- Solomon prays to God for wisdom instead of long life, power, or money, so he is given all.
- The Queen of Sheba visits Solomon.
- King Cyrus of Persia rebuilds the temple after releasing Israel from the Great Exile to Babylon.

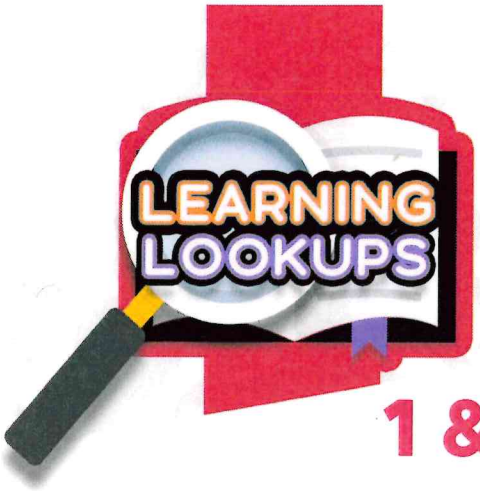
MOST FAMOUS VERSES:

If my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and I will forgive their sin and will heal their land. ***2 Chronicles 7:14***

God said to Solomon, "Since this is your heart's desire and you have not asked for wealth, possessions or honor, nor for the death of your enemies, and since you have not asked for a long life but for wisdom and knowledge to govern my people over whom I have made you king, 12 therefore wisdom and knowledge will be given you. And I will also give you wealth, possessions and honor, such as no king who was before you ever had and none after you will have." ***2 Chronicles 1:11-12***

Important Points about the Book:

- 2 Chronicles starts with the famous story of Solomon asking for wisdom. It continues with information and stories about Solomon building the Temple through Chapter 8.
- The Queen of Sheba visits Solomon in Chapter 9.
- 2 Chronicles covers the reigns of all the kings of Israel and Judah after the split of the united kingdom of Kings Saul, David, and Solomon.
- Like the Kings, this book gives little snippets about each king and notes whether they grieved or pleased the Lord. (Only a handful, all from Judah, pleased the Lord.)
- The closing chapter, 36, summarizes the 70 years of captivity in the Great Exile and also summarizes Cyrus, King of Persia, releasing the Jews to go home and his funding of the rebuilding of the Temple.



BOOKS OF THE OLD TESTAMENT

1 & 2 CHRONICLES

Originally, the Chronicles were one combined book, not 1 and 2 Chronicles. The purpose of it was to present an entire history of Israel, starting with Adam. First Chronicles gives the history from Adam through King David. Second Chronicles covers the reign of King Solomon plus all the kings of Israel and Judah after the split of the united kingdom. Like the Kings, 2 Chronicles gives little snippets about each king and notes whether they grieved or pleased the Lord. (Only a handful, all from Judah, pleased the Lord.)

1. **David shared with his son Solomon that he had been told by God not to build the temple. The reason was that he had done too much of this.** *(1 Chronicles 22:7-8)*

2. **Goliath the giant was killed by David. Later another soldier killed one of Goliath's brothers. The soldier's name was this.** *(1 Chronicles 20:5).*

3. **David's older brother Jonathan killed another giant who had one of the trademarks of giants, which was this.** *(1 Chronicles 20:6-7)*

4. **God's first temple was eventually built by this king.** *(2 Chronicles 3:1-2)*

5. **In King Solomon's famous prayer before becoming king, he impressed God by asking for this, instead of riches, power, or long life.** *(2 Chronicles 1:10)*

6. **This queen, still famous today, went to visit Solomon during his reign.** *(2 Chronicles 9:1-2)*

7. **This evil king sacrificed at least two of his children to false gods and practiced witchcraft.** *(2 Chronicles 33:1-6)*

8. **This king built up Israel's security and destroyed false idols.** *(2 Chronicles 17:1-6)*

Choose from:

Elhanan Jehoshaphat Manasseh of Sheba shed blood
six fingers & toes Solomon wisdom

LAMENTATIONS

AT-A-GLANCE



O.T. BOOK #25 | AUTHOR: THE PROPHET JEREMIAH | WRITTEN: 585 BC

Prophecies Come True in this Time Period: 586-585 BC

Old Testament: 39 Books **25** New Testament: 27 Books

CLAIMS TO FAME: **Only book of prophecy that looks more backwards than forward**

FAMOUS STORIES INCLUDED:

- **While not considered a story, the book is a very visual and spiritual look by the author at the horror that had become of Judah just after the Babylonian invasion and exile.**

MOST FAMOUS VERSES:

The roads to Zion mourn, for no one comes to her appointed festivals. All her gateways are desolate, her priests groan, her young women grieve, and she is in bitter anguish. ***Lamentations 1:4***

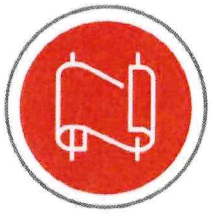
Those who once ate delicacies are destitute in the streets. Those nurtured in purple now lie on ash heaps. ***Lamentations 4:5***

Important Points about the Book:

- The Babylonian invasion of the Southern Kingdom (Kingdom of Judah) had just taken place in 586 BC. Jeremiah expressed raw emotion, as if he had just walked through the streets and alleys of Jerusalem and saw nothing but destruction and suffering and heartbreak.
- Lamentations is not so much prophecy as it is a lament over what had become of Jerusalem after the invasion and how it all could have been avoided.
- The book is basically one description after another of the awful conditions and suffering as the exile began. However, there are notes of hope and God's love interspersed throughout.

OBADIAH

AT-A-GLANCE



O.T. BOOK #31



AUTHOR: THE PROPHET OBADIAH



WRITTEN: UNCERTAIN
(as there were 12 Obadiahs mentioned in the Old Testament)

Prophecies Come True in this Time Period: Uncertain; any time between 700 BC and 575 BC

Old Testament: 39 Books **31** New Testament: 27 Books

CLAIMS TO FAME: **The shortest book in the Old Testament; exclusively a prophecy toward another nation—Edom.**

FAMOUS STORIES INCLUDED:

- No stories are included in this short book of prophecy.

MOST FAMOUS VERSES:

The pride of your heart has deceived you, you who live in the clefts of the rocks and make your home on the heights, you who say to yourself, "Who can bring me down to the ground?'" ***Obadiah 1:3***

Though you soar like the eagle and make your nest among the stars, from there I will bring you down," declares the LORD." ***Obadiah 1:4***

Important Points about the Book:

- Most of Obadiah's prophecy is judgment on the foreign nation of Edom. Therefore, Obadiah is one of only three prophets who pronounced judgment primarily on other nations. The others are the prophets Nahum and Habakkuk.



BOOKS OF THE OLD TESTAMENT

MINOR PROPHETS JONAH, NAHUM & OBADIAH

Jonah prophesied around 800 BC. Nahum prophesied around 150 years later, near 650 BC. Obadiah prophesied around 50 years later, or 600 BC. So why are they clumped together on this worksheet? They do not even follow the order of Minor Prophets in the Old Testament! They are books #4, #5, and #7! It has to do with what they prophesied about. These three prophets were the only three of the 12 to minor prophets to prophesy solely about other lands. The other nine minor prophets spoke about Israel, Judah, the times of Christ or the End Times, which some feel we are in today. We will see what Jonah, Nahum, and Obadiah prophesied:

1. **Nineveh was the capital of the neighboring land Assyria. The people were pagans. Jonah didn't like them. When God told him to go there and tell the people to repent, he ran away. He got on a boat heading hundreds of miles in the opposite direction, trying to get to this place, which is in or near modern-day Spain.** *(Jonah 1:3)*

2. **When Jonah got thrown overboard, he was swallowed by a giant fish, where he stayed for this many days and nights.** *(Jonah 1:17)*

3. **After Jonah went to Nineveh, the king and people responded by doing this.** *(Jonah 3:1-10)*

4. **Obadiah's prophecy was specifically toward the neighboring nation of Edom. All the people were either rich or doing well when he prophesied, so they laughed at him. Obadiah predicted this number of survivors, and today, the place has been in ruins for more than 2,000 years.** *(Obadiah 18)*

5. **Nahum's prophecy was like Jonah's, to the neighboring nation of Assyria and specifically, its capital Nineveh. Nineveh did repent for Jonah. But this is more than 200 years later, and they had been back to their bad tricks of idolatry, violence, invading the Northern Kingdom (Israel), and tormenting the Southern Kingdom (Judah). Nahum predicted Nineveh would be destroyed in this way** *(Nahum 3:15)*. **Archaeologists unearthed the site during the 1800s and found a layer of ash covering the ruins.**

6. **Also, historically proven to be true, Nahum predicted that the Assyrian army would be suffering from the effects of this when invaded.** *(Nahum 3:11)*

Choose from:

Believing drunkenness three fire none Tarshish

EZEKIEL

AT-A-GLANCE



O.T. BOOK #26 | AUTHOR: THE PROPHET EZEKIEL | WRITTEN: 590-570 BC

Prophecies Come True in this Time Period: 585 BC to the future

Old Testament: 39 Books **26** New Testament: 27 Books

CLAIMS TO FAME: **The story of Ezekiel's wheel is in Chapter 1; Ezekiel has some visions that concern our times (modern times).**

FAMOUS STORIES INCLUDED:

- **Ezekiel sees the Wheel of Time in the air**
- **Valley of the Dry Bones, signifying the rebirth of Israel in modern times**

MOST FAMOUS VERSES:

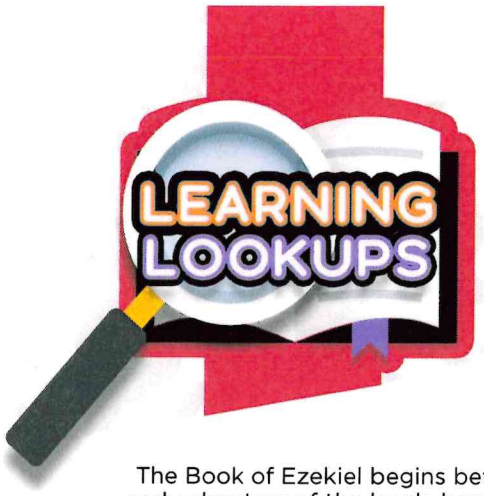
Say to them, 'As surely as I live, declares the Sovereign LORD, I take no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but rather that they turn from their ways and live. Turn! Turn from your evil ways! Why will you die, house of Israel?' ***Ezekiel 33:11***

This was the appearance and structure of the wheels: They sparkled like topaz, and all four looked alike. Each appeared to be made like a wheel intersecting a wheel... ***Ezekiel 1:16***

Prophesy to these bones and say to them, 'Dry bones, hear the word of the Lord! This is what the Sovereign Lord says to these bones: I will make breath enter you, and you will come to life.' ***Ezekiel 37:4-5***

Important Points about the Book:

- The Book of Ezekiel begins before the Babylonian invasion and exile. Ezekiel prophesies about it in the early chapters of the book. His warnings become so extreme: he even predicts that people will resort to cannibalism of loved ones in order to find food if people didn't turn away from their horrific actions. But the people refused to listen.
- Ezekiel then lived among the Jewish exiles in Babylon. He lived in a riverside community south of Babylon called Tel Aviv where over 10,000 exiled Jews had been taken. He prophesied there for around 22 years.
- Ezekiel gave his people hope. But he also prophesied about the end of times, and those prophesies included Israel becoming a nation again after years of wandering the earth. That came true in 1948. It was prophesied by Ezekiel after God gave him a vision of mountains of dry bones coming back together and gathering flesh on their bones. Because that took place in Ezekiel 37, many Bible scholars are carefully watching Ezekiel's final chapters, 38-40 to see what details emerge in our world that will fit those prophecies.



BOOKS OF THE OLD TESTAMENT

EZEKIEL

The Book of Ezekiel begins before the Babylonian invasion and exile. Ezekiel prophesied about it in the early chapters of the book, however no one listens to his increasingly dire warnings. He then prophesied in Babylon, as part of the exile, for around 22 years. Ezekiel gave his people hope. But he also prophesied about the end of times, and those prophecies included Israel becoming a nation again after years of its people wandering the earth. That came true in 1948. Ezekiel prophesied many things about the end of time or second coming of Christ.

1. **Here is a scripture of God begging Judah to repent of idolatry and escape his coming justice. He is practically hollering a question about why they insist on doing this particular thing.** *(Ezekiel 33:11)*

2. **The famous vision of Ezekiel's Wheel happens in the first chapter. It states there were actually this many wheels.** *(Ezekiel 1:16)*

3. **Ezekiel's Wheel vision continues by saying that the wheels were full of these.** *(Ezekiel 1:18)*

4. **This famous, yet startling, prophecy is about the revival of Israel, which came to pass in 1948. It is referred to as the Prophecy of ....** *(Ezekiel 37:4-5)*

5. **People often wonder what Sodom and Gomorrah's sins were, that God would destroy the towns. This verse describes the people as not being generous to the poor among them, while also doing this.** *(Ezekiel 16:49)*

6. **Ezekiel saw the appearance of the Glory of the Lord very early on in his prophetic ministry. He described God's radiance as being like this.** *(Ezekiel 1:28)*

7. **This prophecy describes what already happened to Israel with Assyria and uses the same rhythm to predict what will happen to Judah with Babylon. Yet people refused to listen. It says Babylon will come upon them with weapons, chariots, and these.** *(Ezekiel 23:24)*

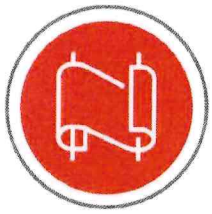
8. **In this famed prophesy, God is telling Ezekiel that Israel will come "back to life" after being dormant for 2,000 years. This happened in 1948. God uses this term to describe what he will do to make Israel live.** *(Ezekiel 37:4-6)*

Choose from:

dying overeating eyes four put breath in them
rainbow the Dry Bones wagons

PSALMS

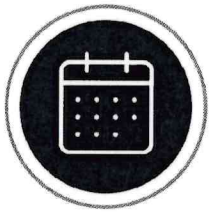
AT-A-GLANCE



O.T. BOOK #19



AUTHOR: MANY:
King David was the strongest contributor.



WRITTEN: 1400-450 BC

Psalms is written for all eras to enjoy and was meant to be timeless.

19 **Old Testament: 39 Books** | **New Testament: 27 Books**

CLAIMS TO FAME: **Of the 150 Psalms, over half were written by King David**

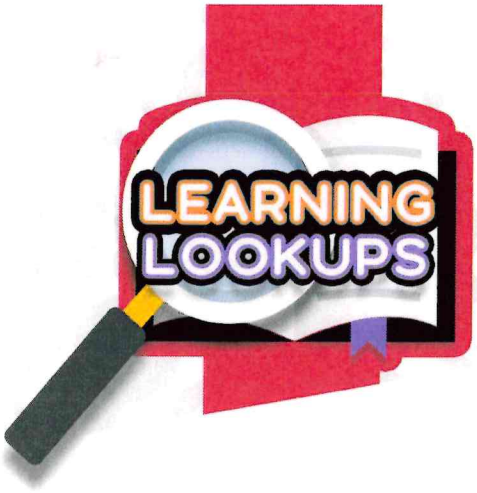
MOST FAMOUS VERSES:

Yeah, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; for thou art with me. ***Psalm 23:4***

Take delight in the LORD and he will give you the desires of your heart. ***Psalm 37:4***

Important Points about the Book:

- Psalms are poetry, generally meant to be put to music, though the translations out of their original and beautiful language often makes that hard today.
- Individual psalms were written as early as Moses' time, around 1450 BC. More were added through the time of David and Solomon around 1000 BC. Additions continued after the Babylonian captivity around 500 BC. That means the writing spanned nearly 1,000 years.
- The Psalms have always been quite popular because they apply to every time and every person. Psalms of sorrow, psalms of praise, prophetic psalms, and words of encouragement still make this one of the most popular books in the Bible.



BOOKS OF THE OLD TESTAMENT

PSALMS

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1. **The current most popular Psalm in the Bible speaks of God's word being this.** *(Psalm 119:105)*

2. **To refute skeptics who say they've never seen God, people read this Psalm verse, which says God is evident in this beautiful sight.** *(Psalm 19:1)*

3. **This very first verse of the Psalms declares that we are blessed if we don't walk in step with the wicked, or stand in the way that sinners take, or sit in the company of these types of people.** *(Psalm 1:1)*

4. **This Psalm is often used in defense of a pro-life political stance. It states that God has known you since you were in this.** *(Psalm 139:13)*

5. **This Psalm declares that if you delight yourself in God, he will give you desires that exist here** *(Psalm 37:4)*

6. **People often refer to this Psalm when they have to wait for things and become impatient. It tells you to do this, while knowing God is at work.** *(Psalm 46:10)*

7. **Written by King David, this most famous Psalm features the lines, "the Lord is my shepherd, I shall not..." Finish this famous line.** *(Psalm 23:1)*

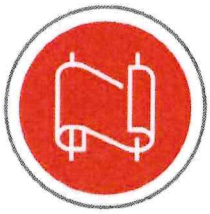
8. **People recite this Psalm by King David when they have done something for which they feel a lot of guilt. It encourages God to create this in us.** *(Psalm 51:10)*

Choose from:

be still heart lamp mockers pure heart
sky want womb

II CORINTHIANS

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N.T. BOOK #8



AUTHOR: APOSTLE PAUL



WRITTEN: 55-56 AD

Old Testament: 39 Books | 8 | New Testament: 27 Books

CLAIMS TO FAME: One of the few books where Paul gives details of his own life.

PROBLEMS OR ISSUES THIS BOOK IS ADDRESSING:

- Second Corinthians is actually the fourth letter Paul had written to this feisty group of believers. Two of the letters were lost in history. After three bad reports of their behavior, Paul finally got a good one. He wrote this letter to encourage them on their journey toward the kingdom of God.

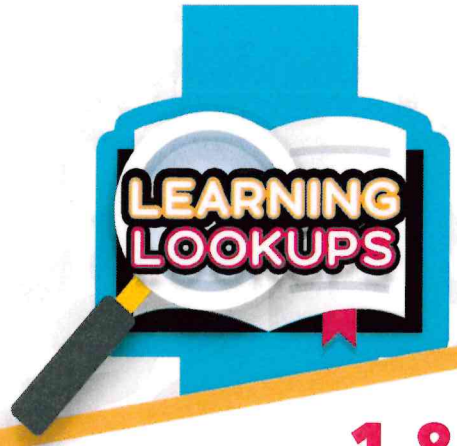
MOST FAMOUS VERSES:

Do not be yoked together with unbelievers. For what do righteousness and wickedness have in common? Or what fellowship can light have with darkness? ***2 Corinthians 6:14***

Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously. ***2 Corinthians 9:6***

Important Points about the Book:

- **Paul speaks about his own apostleship at great length in this book. It helps you get to know him as a person. Apparently, some people in Corinth had said he wasn't really an apostle because he didn't know Jesus until after Jesus' death and resurrection. He corrects that.**
- **He then uses a description of his own ministry as an exhortation for the Corinthians to live godly and open-hearted lives. He describes how he's been honest, hopeful, and devoted while suffering, and how these things have blessed his ministry.**



BOOKS OF THE NEW TESTAMENT

1 & 2 CORINTHIANS

Paul wrote 1 Corinthians to address bad behavior and quarreling in the church. He wanted to teach them about discipleship and send them instructions for living according the Christ's example.

Second Corinthians is actually the fourth letter Paul had written to this feisty group of believers. Two of the letters were lost in history. After three bad reports of their behavior, Paul finally got a good one. He wrote 2 Corinthians to encourage them on their journey toward the kingdom of God.

The books were written about a year apart, possibly 55 and 56 AD.

1. **We should not be deceived and think that wrongdoers will inherit this.** *(1 Corinthians 6:9)* _____
2. **Love is patient, love is kind. Love does not envy or do this.** *(1 Corinthians 13:4)* _____
3. **Our bodies are to be like this for the Holy Spirit.** *(1 Corinthians 6:19)* _____
4. **All people experience temptation. However, God will never let us be tempted beyond this.** *(1 Corinthians 10:13)* _____
5. **We should not allow unbelievers to hold us back in our faith. But we can be held back if we get in this situation with them.** *(2 Corinthians 6:14)* _____
6. **Jesus gave up all his riches and became poor so that we might receive this blessing.** *(2 Corinthians 8:9)* _____
7. **We should not do good while rolling our eyes or having a bad attitude. Rather we should give in this way.** *(2 Corinthians 9:6)* _____

Choose from:

Become spiritually rich Generously Boast Living sacrifices
What we can bear Unequally yoked Kingdom of God

JAMES

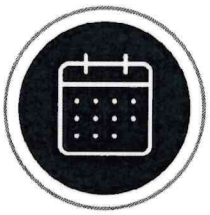
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N.T. BOOK #20



AUTHOR: JAMES,
half-brother of Jesus



WRITTEN: 67-69 AD

Old Testament: 39 Books | New Testament: 27 20 ks

CLAIMS TO FAME: **Written by the half-brother of Jesus. Known as the "Proverbs of the New Testament."**

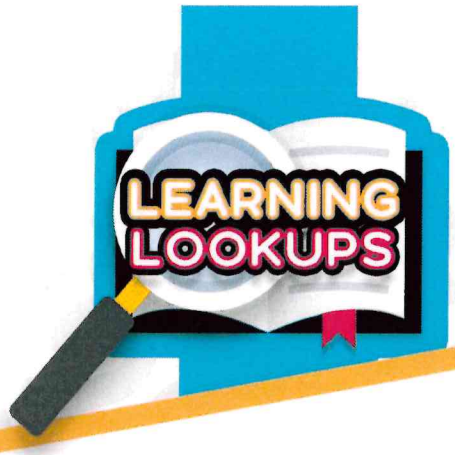
MOST FAMOUS VERSES:

If any of you lacks wisdom, you should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to you. ***James 1:5***

What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if people claim to have faith but have no deeds? Can such faith save them? ***James 2:14***

Important Points about the Book:

- **James was not a follower of Jesus during the Savior's time on earth. In fact, Mark 3:21 has the half-brothers of Jesus during his early ministry thinking Jesus was "out of his mind."**
- **James finally became a believer upon seeing Jesus alive and well after the crucifixion. He became one of the leaders of the church at Jerusalem.**
- **This book is overflowing with wisdom and is often thought to be among the first books that Christians read after the Gospel of John.**



BOOKS OF THE NEW TESTAMENT

JAMES

The name James, like the names John and Mary, were very common during Biblical times. There were two disciples of Jesus named James. However, this book is not traced back to either. It is from the half-brother of Jesus, born to his mother Mary, but with Joseph as the biological father. James did not believe Jesus was the Messiah until after the resurrection. But his book shows how much he changed. The Book of James is sometimes referred to as "the Proverbs of the New Testament," full of wisdom and nuggets quoted by hundreds daily.

James dates early for New Testament books, around 44 to 49 AD.

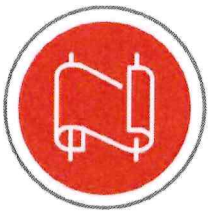
1. **We should confess our sins and pray for each other so that we may receive this.** *(James 5:16)*
2. **We should try to feel this when we have to go through various trials.** *(James 1:2)*
3. **God never says, "That was a stupid question," or "I don't have time for your questions." James states that asking God is a great way to gain this.** *(James 1:5)*
4. **We should be doing this when someone is sick.** *(James 5:14)*
5. **Pure and faultless religion is described by James as including this.** *(James 1:27)*
6. **If we choose to do this when tempted, the devil will flee from us.** *(James 4:7)*
7. **God opposes the proud, but shows favor to this type of person.** *(James 4:6)*
8. **Faith that is not accompanied by good actions is considered to be this.** *(James 2:17)*

Choose from:

Caring for widows & orphans Dead Healing Humble Joy
Praying for them Resist the devil Wisdom

1 PETER

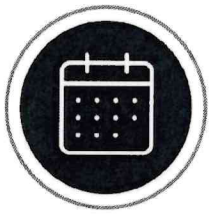
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N.T. BOOK #21



AUTHOR: APOSTLE PETER



WRITTEN: 64 AD

Old Testament: 39 Books | New Testament: 27 B 21

CLAIMS TO FAME: **Is considered a great source to read when you are being picked on, bullied, or persecuted for your faith.**

PROBLEMS OR ISSUES THIS BOOK IS ADDRESSING:

Peter wrote the letter during Nero's reign. Nero was the Roman Emperor in the 60s AD, and he hated Christianity. He eventually did horrible things like throw Christians to lions to be eaten. He was addressing both Jews and Gentiles with encouragement to stay the course with Jesus, no matter what happened.

MOST FAMOUS VERSES:

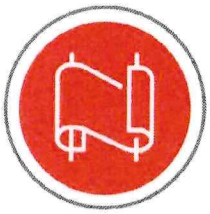
Be alert and of sober mind. Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour. ***1 Peter 5:8***

Important Points about the Book:

- **Jesus becomes the source of example and source of strength when we come into trials and tribulations. By allowing God to help you in your perseverance and work of Christ, we can always have hope in the midst of our suffering.**

II PETER

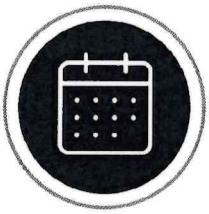
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N.T. BOOK #22



AUTHOR: APOSTLE PETER



WRITTEN: 67 AD

Old Testament: 39 Books | New Testament: 27 Bo**22**

CLAIMS TO FAME: **Contains the famous verse encouraging Christians to be patient for God's coming: "A 1,000 years is a day to God."**

PROBLEMS OR ISSUES THIS BOOK IS ADDRESSING:

Peter appeared to have heard reports that false teachers had arisen in Asia Minor. He wrote the book partly to discourage people from listening to them, and also to continue encouraging them, though the time under Roman Emperor Nero had grown very tough on Christians. Hence, he talked about the Lord's return and how grand it would be if the people would hang in there.

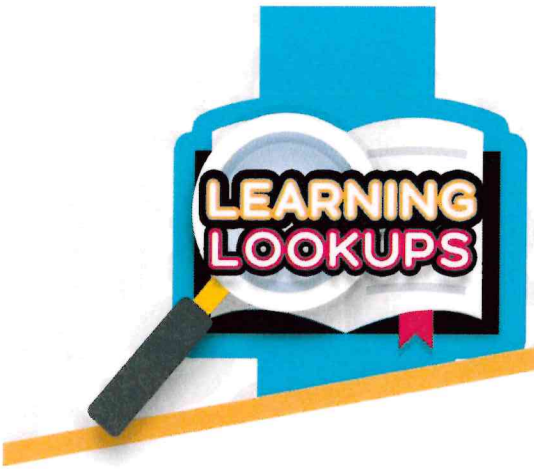
MOST FAMOUS VERSES:

The Lord is not slow in keeping his promise, as some understand slowness. Instead he is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance. ***2 Peter 3:9***

But the day of the Lord will come like a thief. The heavens will disappear with a roar; the elements will be destroyed by fire, and the earth and everything done in it will be laid bare. ***2 Peter 3:10***

Important Points about the Book:

- **Peter wanted to accomplish two things in this book. The first was to encourage people not to listen to false teachers. The second was to encourage them to continue on in the faith, no matter what persecution they came into. He gave a great image of the Day of the Lord, when he said the heavenlies would burn up, but we would be given a new heaven and a new earth.**



BOOKS OF THE NEW TESTAMENT

1 & 2 PETER

Peter wrote the first letter during Nero's reign. Nero was the Roman emperor starting shortly after Jesus died until the 60s AD. He eventually did horrible things like throw Christians to lions. Apostle Peter was addressing both Jews and gentiles with encouragement to stay the course with Jesus, no matter what happened. The book is considered a great source to read when you are being picked on, bullied, or persecuted for your faith.

Second Peter was written to address false doctrine. Peter told the people to become mature and not be driven apart by people who teach false things.

The books were written about three years apart, perhaps 60 and 63 AD.

1. **We should always be able to give this to others, especially when they have questions about Christianity.** *(1 Peter 3:15)*
2. **Because Christ died on the cross, he wants our will and nature to die to these.** *(1 Peter 2:24)*
3. **Peter compares the devil to this breed of animal.** *(1 Peter 5:8)*
4. **Peter tells us to use our gifts to for this purpose.** *(1 Peter 4:10)*
5. **Christ's divine power has given us this.** *(2 Peter 1:3)*
6. **All the virtues listed in this famous passage lead to the last one. It is this.** *(2 Peter 1:6)*
7. **Peter compares Jesus' return to earth as coming like this.** *(2 Peter 3:10)*
8. **God does not want anyone to end up doing this.** *(2 Peter 3:9)*

Choose from:

A thief Everything we need Godliness Lion Serve others
Sins Perishing The reason for our hope (Christ)

JOHN

AT-A-GLANCE



N.T. BOOK #4 | AUTHOR: JOHN THE APOSTLE | WRITTEN: 80-90 AD

Covering this time period: 7 BC to 26 AD

Old Testament: 39 Books | 4 | New Testament: 27 Books

CLAIMS TO FAME: **Known in America as the Bible book that new Christians should start with**

FAMOUS STORIES INCLUDED:

- Jesus turning water into wine
- Raising Lazarus from the dead
- The seven famous "I AM" statements of Jesus (i.e. I am the door of the sheep...)

MOST FAMOUS VERSES:

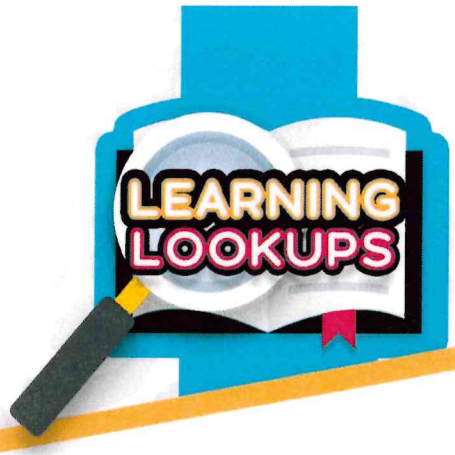
For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. ***John 3:16***

Jesus answered, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me." ***John 14:6***

Jesus replied, "Very truly I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born again." ***John 3:3***

Important Points about the Book:

- John wanted to make sure people knew that Jesus was not just a great prophet, miracle man, or teacher. He was "the only begotten son of God." Jesus was different than we are. We are born of men, and Jesus was born of God, according to all that John stated.
- John did not tell the story of Jesus' birth. Instead he reached back into eternity to start his gospel. He started with, "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God." It is this statement and others in the Book of John which had the early church moving to recognize the Trinity, or three in one: God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit.
- John, his brother James, and Simon Peter had the honor of being with Jesus during his ministry more than the other disciples. Hence his witness to the truth of Jesus' divine nature is meant to be taken quite seriously.
- New Christians often start reading their Bibles with the Book of John. This is because he was a fisherman before becoming an apostle, and not a Jewish scholar. All he has to say is very relatable to normal, working-class people—like us and the generations who came before us.



BOOKS OF THE NEW TESTAMENT

JOHN

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Apostle John write five books in the New Testament, including the Revelation. This gospel is thought to be his first, penned between 80 and 90 AD.

1. **Here is the most quoted verse in the entire Bible among Christians. It states that "God so loved the world that he gave his only..."** *(John 3:16)*

2. **John calls Jesus this in the beginning of his gospel, saying he was God and he was with God.** *(John 1:1)*

3. **Jesus made eight famous "I am" statements in the Book of John. They include "I am the bread of life," "I am the door to the sheep." In another, he referred to himself as the way, the truth, and this.** *(John 14:6)*

4. **To all who receive him and believe on his name, Jesus gives the right to become this.** *(John 1:12)*

5. **Here is another famous passage among Christians. It states that in order to see the kingdom of God, you must become this.** *(John 3:3)*

6. **Jesus' very first miracle occurred in the small town of Cana, at a wedding. Who asked Jesus to turn the water into wine?** *(John 2:1-5)*

7. **There wouldn't be enough of this one thing in the world to hold all of the stories about Jesus.** *(John 21:25)*

Choose from:

Begotten son Books Born again God's children Mary
The life The Word

BOOKS OF THE BIBLE

OLD TESTAMENT

PENTATEUCH

1430 BC	1400 BC	1445 BC	1400 BC	1400 BC
Ge	**Ex**	**Lv**	**Nu**	**Dt**
GENESIS	EXODUS	LEVITICUS	NUMBERS	DEUTERONOMY
Moses	**Moses**	**Moses**	**Moses**	**Moses**

HISTORY

1375 BC	1050 BC	1050-1000 BC	900 BC 1	900 BC 2	550 BC 1	550 BC 2
Js	**Ju**	**Ru**	**Sa**	**Sa**	**Ki**	**Ki**
JOSHUA	JUDGES	RUTH	1 SAMUEL	2 SAMUEL	1 KINGS	2 KINGS
Joshua	**Samuel**	**Samuel**	**Samuel**	**Samuel**	**Unknown**	**Unknown**

450 BC 1	340 BC 2	450 BC	425-400 BC	450 BC
Ch	**Ch**	**Er**	**Ne**	**Es**
1 CHRONICLES	2 CHRONICLES	EZRA	NEHEMIAH	ESTHER
Unknown	**Unknown**	**Ezra**	**Nehemiah**	**Unknown**

POETRY

1900 BC	1400-450 BC	970-675 BC	940-931 BC	970-950 BC
Jb	**Ps**	**Pr**	**Ec**	**Ss**
JOB	PSALMS	PROVERBS	ECCLESIASTES	SONG OF SONGS
Unknown	**Multiple Contributers**	**Solomon**	**Solomon**	**Solomon**

MAJOR PROPHETS

700-680 BC	585-570 BC	585 BC	590-570 BC	536-530 BC
Is	**Je**	**La**	**Ez**	**Da**
ISAIAH	JEREMIAH	LAMENTATIONS	EZEKIEL	DANIEL
Isaiah	**Jeremiah**	**Jeremiah**	**Ezekiel**	**Daniel**

MINOR PROPHETS

750-710 BC	UNKNOWN BC	750 BC	UNKNOWN BC	772-754 BC	735-710 BC	650 BC	640 BC
Ho	**Jo**	**Am**	**Ob**	**Jh**	**Mi**	**Na**	**Ha**
HOSEA	JOEL	AMOS	OBADIAH	JONAH	MICAH	NAHUM	HABAKKUK
Hosea	**Joel**	**Amos**	**Obadiah**	**Jonah**	**Micah**	**Nahum**	**Habakkuk**

635-625 BC	526 BC	520-484 BC	433-424 BC
Zp	**Hg**	**Zc**	**Ma**
ZEPHANIAH	HAGGAI	ZECHARIAH	MALACHI
Zephaniah	**Haggai**	**Zechariah**	**Malachi**

NEW TESTAMENT

GOSPELS

60-65 AD	50-60 AD	60-61 AD	80-90 AD
Mt	**Mk**	**Lk**	**Jn**
MATTHEW	MARK	LUKE	JOHN
Matthew	**John Mark**	**Luke**	**John**

ACTS

62 AD
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ACTS
Luke

PAUL'S LETTERS

56 AD	55 AD 1	55-56 AD 2	49-50 AD	60-62 AD	60-62 AD
Ro	**Co**	**Co**	**Ga**	**Ep**	**Ph**
ROMANS	1 CORINTHIANS	2 CORINTHIANS	GALATIANS	EPHESIANS	PHILIPPIANS
Paul	**Paul**	**Paul**	**Paul**	**Paul**	**Paul**

60-62 AD	51 AD 1	51-52 AD 2	62-64 AD 1	66-67 AD 2	63 AD	60 or 61 AD
Cs	**Th**	**Th**	**Ti**	**Ti**	**Tt**	**Pl**
COLOSSIANS	1 THESSALONIANS	2 THESSALONIANS	1 TIMOTHY	2 TIMOTHY	TITUS	PHILEMON
Paul	**Paul**	**Paul**	**Paul**	**Paul**	**Paul**	**Paul**

GENERAL LETTERS

67-69 AD	44-49 AD	64 AD 1	67 AD 2	90-95 AD 1	90-95 AD 2	90-95 AD 3	75 AD
He	**Ja**	**Pe**	**Pe**	**Jn**	**Jn**	**Jn**	**Ju**
HEBREWS	JAMES	1 PETER	2 PETER	1 JOHN	2 JOHN	3 JOHN	JUDE
Unknown	**James**	**Peter**	**Peter**	**John**	**John**	**John**	**Jude**

Date Written

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PROPHECY

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REVELATION
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