



IT ALL POINTS TO JESUS

June

The Kingdom Moves Forward — Jesus Reigns, the Holy Spirit Leads, the Gospel Goes Out

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This is the free web edition of **June**, one of the twelve monthly volumes of *It All Points to Jesus* — a companion for a 365-day journey through the whole Bible. It walks beside your own Bible reading with daily summaries, how each day points to Jesus, reflections, fellowship questions, prayer, and a practical step for the day — with the weekly reviews in their place.

Read the Word first. This companion does not reproduce the text of Scripture — read the readings first in your own Bible. Scripture quotations follow the World English Bible (WEB), a public-domain translation.

The readings follow the day-numbered plan: Day 1 is January 1 and Day 365 is December 31. June covers Days 152–181. You may begin on any day; the journey restarts every January.

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The Dance of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit

Before there was a world, there was a rhythm of love.

The Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit — moving together in perfect joy, each delighting in the others. When the Bible opens, the Spirit of God is hovering over the waters. God says, “Let us make man in our image.” And John tells us the Word was there from the beginning, that all things were made through him, and the Word became flesh.

That is the dance underneath everything you are about to read.

Day by day, through the Old Testament, the New Testament, the Psalms, and the Proverbs, you will see the dancers: the Father speaking and sending, the Son revealing and redeeming, the Spirit opening eyes and hearts. We encourage you to read the Scripture first. Then let this companion help you hear the music.

You are not reading alone. The moment you open the Word, you step into a rhythm that began before time itself — and you are invited to join the dance.

Scripture calls Him the head of the church — the head of the body (Ephesians 1:22; Colossians 1:18) — and in Him all things hold together (Colossians 1:17).

Jesus is that spine — the one who holds it all together. We must never forget it.

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June Introduction

The Kingdom Moves Forward

Jesus Reigns. The Holy Spirit Leads. The Gospel Goes Out.

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In June’s first days, the risen Jesus restores Peter and says again, Follow Me. June begins with that restored band of disciples receiving a mission larger than they could possibly accomplish by themselves. Jesus has risen. Jesus reigns. And Jesus will not leave His followers alone. He promises the Holy Spirit and sends ordinary people to carry His name outward — from Jerusalem, to Judea and Samaria, and eventually toward the ends of the earth. At the same time, the Old Testament takes us through the closing days of David, the rise and splendor of Solomon, the building of the Temple, the fracture of the kingdom, and the ministries of Elijah and Elisha. Kings come and go. Some begin well and drift. Some openly rebel. Some show courage for a season. Again and again we discover that even gifted human leaders cannot heal the deepest problem of the human heart. Acts gives us the great contrast. The true King is already enthroned. His Kingdom does not depend upon a palace, army,

political dynasty, or flawless human leader. Jesus pours out the Holy Spirit. Frightened disciples become courageous witnesses. Peter preaches. Stephen stands firm. Philip crosses boundaries. Saul the persecutor becomes Paul the missionary. Gentiles hear the gospel. Churches are born. Prison doors open. Opposition rises — and still the Word keeps moving. That is June’s heartbeat: Jesus reigns. The Holy Spirit leads. The gospel goes out.

Father — Son — Holy Spirit: God Drawing Us Into His Mission

The relational foundation remains at the center of our journey. The Father keeps His promises and exalts His Son. The risen Son sends His followers and pours out the promised Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit fills, guides, convicts, strengthens, comforts, and sends the church to bear witness to Jesus. This is not merely a sequence of theological facts. It is relationship with the living God. The Father welcomes us through the Son. Jesus calls us His own and gives us a mission. The Spirit lives within God's people so that the life and love of Christ can become visible in ordinary human beings. And relationship with God immediately becomes relationship with one another. Acts will show believers praying together, sharing with one another, eating together, serving widows, crossing cultural barriers, forgiving enemies, welcoming outsiders, and carrying burdens together. The gospel creates a family, not merely individual believers. Then the circle widens again. The Father's love revealed in Jesus and carried by the Spirit moves outward to the world. Jerusalem is not the finish line. Neither is our own home, church, town, or nation. The good news belongs to every people and every place.

The Kingdoms We Build — and the Kingdom Jesus Builds

Solomon will build a magnificent Temple, yet Acts reminds us that God is not contained by buildings made with hands. Human kingdoms divide; Christ forms one people. Human rulers protect their power; Jesus gives His life. Human leaders eventually die; the risen Jesus reigns forever. The contrast is meant to search our hearts. We can admire Solomon's wisdom while quietly trusting our own intelligence. We can condemn Israel's idols while building modern ones out of money, comfort, recognition, control, or success. We can celebrate the courage of the apostles while remaining silent when an ordinary opportunity to speak about Jesus appears. June therefore asks us not simply to observe the Kingdom moving forward. It asks whether we are willing to move with it.

Keep the Rhythm

Read Scripture first. Open the Bible before the Companion. Read or listen to the Old Testament, New Testament, Psalm, and Proverb. The Companion walks beside Scripture; it never replaces it. Understand. Ask what happened, what the passage reveals about God and the human heart, and where it belongs in the larger story. Discover Jesus. Look faithfully for Christ — in promise, fulfillment, contrast, rescue, kingship, sacrifice, mission, and the direct witness of Acts. Notice the Holy Spirit. June gives us a special opportunity to watch how the Spirit works through ordinary believers. Ask: What is the Spirit doing here? What kind of person is He forming? Reflect and fellowship. Ask what God is saying to you, then share it. Keep the simple question alive: Where did you see Jesus? Pray and live. Let reading become relationship and relationship become obedience. Take one truth into the day.

A Word for the Ordinary Reader

Acts is encouraging because the people Jesus uses are not superheroes. Peter had failed. The disciples had been afraid. Stephen was an ordinary servant chosen to help meet practical needs. Philip simply followed where God led. Ananias was asked to go to a man he feared. Barnabas encouraged. Paul carried scars from his past and then suffered for the gospel he once opposed. You do not need to know everything before God can use you. You do not need perfect words. You do not need a platform. Begin where you are. Read the Word. Know Jesus. Listen to the Spirit. Love the person in front of you. Tell what Christ has done. Then take the next faithful step.

Prayer

Father, thank You for keeping every promise and giving us Your Son. Lord Jesus, You are the risen and reigning King. Thank You for calling ordinary people to follow You and carry Your good news. Holy Spirit, open our hearts to see Christ in all of Scripture. Fill us with courage, humility, wisdom, love, and obedience. Guard us from the idols and compromises that ruined so many kings. Make our homes, friendships, churches, and daily lives places where the love of Jesus becomes visible. Send us wherever You desire, and let everything we do be for the glory of God alone. Amen. Read the Word. Understand the Word. See Jesus in the Word. Live the Word. It ALL Points to Jesus.

Day 152 — June 1

My Lord and My God

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Read God's Word First

Proverb: Proverbs 16:14–15

Read First: 2 Samuel 18:1–19:10 • John 20:1–31 • Psalm 119:153–176 •
Proverbs 16:14–15

Old Testament Summary

Absalom's rebellion ends in the forest of Ephraim, and David's victory tastes like ashes. Hearing of his son's death, the king weeps, "My son Absalom! My son, my son Absalom! I wish I had died instead of you." A father's heart breaks over a rebellious son he could not save.

New Testament Summary

Before dawn, Mary Magdalene finds the tomb empty. She weeps in the garden until she hears one word — her name: "Mary." Then Thomas, who refused to believe without proof, sees the risen Christ and cries, "My Lord and my God!" John tells us why he wrote it all: "these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing you may have life in his name."

Psalm Summary

The psalmist closes his great song with an honest confession: "I have gone astray like a lost sheep. Seek your servant, for I don't forget your commandments." The Shepherd seeks; the sheep need finding.

Proverbs Summary

A king's wrath brings death, but the light of a king's face brings life. Favor from the true King is everything.

Discover Jesus Today

David wished he could die in his rebellious son's place — but he could not. Jesus actually did. He died for rebels, rose from the dead, and now seeks every straying sheep, calling each by name. Thomas's confession is the only fitting response: my Lord and my God.

Heart Reflection

Where have I gone astray like a lost sheep? Do I hear the risen Jesus calling my name today — and will I answer with Thomas, “My Lord and my God”?

Fellowship Questions

Share one place in today's reading where you saw Jesus more clearly. Then discuss the reflection question together.

Prayer

Lord Jesus, risen and alive, seek me when I wander and call me by name. Let Thomas's confession be mine today: my Lord and my God. Amen.

Live Today

Listen for your name. The Shepherd is seeking you — turn toward His voice today.

Day 153 — June 2

Feed My Sheep

Soli Deo Gloria — For the Glory of God Alone

Read God's Word First

Proverb: Proverbs 16:16–17

Read First: 2 Samuel 19:11–20:13 • John 21:1–25 • Psalm 120:1–7 • Proverbs 16:16–17

Old Testament Summary

David crosses the Jordan and returns to Jerusalem as king. Shimei, who had cursed him in his darkest hour, falls at his feet begging for mercy — and David forgives him. The fallen king is lifted up again; grace wins over vengeance.

New Testament Summary

At dawn on the shore of Galilee, Jesus cooks breakfast for His friends. Three times He asks Peter, “Do you love me?” — once for every denial in the courtyard. Three times He restores him: “Feed my lambs... Tend my sheep... Feed my sheep.” Then comes the commission: “Follow me.” The denier becomes a shepherd.

Psalms Summary

“In my distress, I cried to the LORD. He answered me.” Surrounded by lying lips, the psalmist discovers that God hears.

Proverbs Summary

How much better to get wisdom than gold. The highway of the upright turns away from evil; he who keeps his way preserves his soul.

Discover Jesus Today

David’s restoration points to a greater one. Peter denied his Lord three times, yet the risen Christ did not discard him — He recommissioned him. Failure is never final with Jesus; He restores the fallen and puts them back to work.

Heart Reflection

Where has failure made me want to hide from Jesus? Will I let Him restore me today — and accept the work He gives me?

Fellowship Questions

Share one place in today’s reading where you saw Jesus more clearly. Then discuss the reflection question together.

Prayer

Lord Jesus, You did not discard Peter, and You do not discard me. Restore me fully, and show me who to feed today. Amen.

Live Today

Accept His restoration. Then feed someone — encourage, serve, or pray for one person today.

Day 154 — June 3

You Will Be My Witnesses

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Read God's Word First

Proverb: Proverbs 16:18

Read First: 2 Samuel 20:14–21:22 • Acts 1:1–26 • Psalm 121:1–8 • Proverbs 16:18

Old Testament Summary

David's kingdom is still scarred by rebellion, violence, and old bloodguilt. God brings justice, mercy, and deliverance, yet the brokenness of David's reign reminds us that Israel still needs a better King.

New Testament Summary

The risen Jesus promises the Holy Spirit and commissions His followers to be witnesses. He ascends, and the disciples wait together for the promised power.

Psalm Summary

God is our keeper. Our help comes from the Maker of heaven and earth.

Proverbs Summary

Pride goes before destruction. Jesus leads us in the opposite direction — the humility of a servant.

Discover Jesus Today

David's wounded kingdom makes us long for the flawless King. Jesus restores what sin fractures and sends restored people to bear witness.

Heart Reflection

Where do I need the risen Jesus to restore what sin or failure has damaged?

Fellowship Questions

Share one place in today's reading where you saw Jesus more clearly. Then discuss the reflection question together.

Prayer

Lord Jesus, keep my eyes on You and shape my life by Your Word. Holy Spirit, give me grace to trust, obey, and follow You today. Amen.

Live Today

Tell Jesus where you need restoration, then take the next faithful step. Lord Jesus, help me not only to know Your Word but to live it. Transform my heart so that my life reflects You more each day.

Day 155 — June 4

The Spirit Comes

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Read God's Word First

Proverb: Proverbs 16:19–20

Read First: 2 Samuel 22:1–23:23 • Acts 2:1–47 • Psalm 122:1–9 • Proverbs 16:19–20

Old Testament Summary

David sings that the LORD is his rock, rescuer, and refuge. His mighty men display courage and loyalty, but David's song reaches beyond human strength to the God who saves.

New Testament Summary

At Pentecost the Holy Spirit fills the believers. Peter proclaims the crucified and risen Jesus, thousands respond, and a new Spirit-filled community is born.

Psalm Summary

God's people rejoice at the call to worship and pray for the peace of Jerusalem.

Proverbs Summary

Humility and reverence are better than pride and self-exaltation.

Discover Jesus Today

Pentecost fulfills Jesus' promise: He does not leave His followers powerless. The risen King pours out the Holy Spirit so ordinary people can proclaim Him.

Heart Reflection

Am I depending on the Holy Spirit or trying to live the Christian life in my own strength?

Fellowship Questions

Share one place in today's reading where you saw Jesus more clearly. Then discuss the reflection question together.

Prayer

Lord Jesus, keep my eyes on You and shape my life by Your Word. Holy Spirit, give me grace to trust, obey, and follow You today. Amen.

Live Today

Ask the Holy Spirit for power to make Jesus known through one ordinary act today. Lord Jesus, help me not only to know Your Word but to live it. Transform my heart so that my life reflects You more each day.

Day 156 — June 5

In the Name of Jesus

Soli Deo Gloria — For the Glory of God Alone

Read God's Word First

Proverb: Proverbs 16:21–23

Read First: 2 Samuel 23:24–24:25 • Acts 3:1–26 • Psalm 123:1–4 • Proverbs 16:21–23

Old Testament Summary

David's final warriors are named, then his sinful census brings judgment. At the threshing floor, sacrifice stops the plague — an unmistakable reminder that sin is costly and atonement requires a substitute.

New Testament Summary

Peter heals a man unable to walk, but refuses the glory. He points everyone to Jesus — the Author of life whom God raised from the dead.

Psalm Summary

We lift our eyes to the LORD and wait for His mercy.

Proverbs Summary

Wise speech can be sweet and healing; words reveal what is in the heart.

Discover Jesus Today

The sacrifice that stopped judgment in David's day points toward Christ, while Acts shows that healing and forgiveness are proclaimed in His name.

Heart Reflection

When God works through me, do I point attention toward Jesus or toward myself?

Fellowship Questions

Share one place in today's reading where you saw Jesus more clearly. Then discuss the reflection question together.

Prayer

Lord Jesus, keep my eyes on You and shape my life by Your Word. Holy Spirit, give me grace to trust, obey, and follow You today. Amen.

Live Today

Give Jesus the credit for every good thing He does through you. Lord Jesus, help me not only to know Your Word but to live it. Transform my heart so that my life reflects You more each day.

Day 157 — June 6

No Other Name

Soli Deo Gloria — For the Glory of God Alone

Read God's Word First

Proverb: Proverbs 16:24

Read First: 1 Kings 1:1–53 • Acts 4:1–37 • Psalm 124:1–8 • Proverbs 16:24

Old Testament Summary

David grows old and the struggle for the throne begins. Adonijah exalts himself, but God's promised line continues through Solomon, who is publicly anointed king.

New Testament Summary

Peter and John boldly testify that salvation is found in Jesus. Threats cannot silence them, and the church prays for courage rather than comfort.

Psalm Summary

Deliverance comes from the LORD; without Him, the flood would have swept us away.

Proverbs Summary

Gracious words can bring healing like honey.

Discover Jesus Today

Solomon's anointing points beyond itself to Jesus, God's chosen King. Acts declares that there is no other name by which we must be saved.

Heart Reflection

What pressure most tempts me to become quiet about Jesus?

Fellowship Questions

Share one place in today's reading where you saw Jesus more clearly. Then discuss the reflection question together.

Prayer

Lord Jesus, keep my eyes on You and shape my life by Your Word. Holy Spirit, give me grace to trust, obey, and follow You today. Amen.

Live Today

Speak the name of Jesus with kindness and courage. Lord Jesus, help me not only to know Your Word but to live it. Transform my heart so that my life reflects You more each day.

Day 158 — June 7

Obey God Rather Than Men

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Read God's Word First

Proverb: Proverbs 16:25

Read First: 1 Kings 2:1–3:2 • Acts 5:1–42 • Psalm 125:1–5 • Proverbs 16:25

Old Testament Summary

David charges Solomon to walk faithfully. Justice comes to unresolved enemies, yet Solomon's early compromise warns that even a wise king can drift.

New Testament Summary

Ananias and Sapphira reveal the seriousness of hypocrisy. The apostles keep preaching despite arrest and beating, rejoicing that they suffer for Jesus' name.

Psalms Summary

Those who trust the LORD are secure like Mount Zion.

Proverbs Summary

A path can seem right and still end in death. We need God's truth, not merely our instincts.

Discover Jesus Today

Every human king is mixed. Jesus alone obeys the Father perfectly, and His apostles show what loyal obedience looks like: obey God rather than men.

Heart Reflection

Where must I choose obedience to God over approval from people?

Fellowship Questions

Share one place in today's reading where you saw Jesus more clearly. Then discuss the reflection question together.

Prayer

Lord Jesus, keep my eyes on You and shape my life by Your Word. Holy Spirit, give me grace to trust, obey, and follow You today. Amen.

Live Today

Choose obedience in one place where approval has been controlling you.
Lord Jesus, help me not only to know Your Word but to live it. Transform my heart so that my life reflects You more each day.

Day 159 — June 8

Ask for Wisdom

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Read God's Word First

Proverb: Proverbs 16:26–27

Read First: 1 Kings 3:3–4:34 • Acts 6:1–15 • Psalm 126:1–6 • Proverbs 16:26–27

Old Testament Summary

Solomon asks not for riches but for wisdom to govern God's people. God grants wisdom abundantly, and Israel flourishes under his rule.

New Testament Summary

The growing church wisely shares responsibility so ministry is not neglected. Stephen serves faithfully and speaks with Spirit-given wisdom.

Psalm Summary

Tears are not wasted with God; He can turn sorrow into songs of joy.

Proverbs Summary

Hard work can motivate us, but selfish appetite must never become our master. A worthless man devises mischief, and his speech is like a scorching fire.

Discover Jesus Today

Solomon's wisdom is a gift; Jesus is greater than Solomon. The church also needs Spirit-shaped wisdom to serve people faithfully.

Heart Reflection

What decision today requires wisdom more than quick instinct?

Fellowship Questions

Share one place in today's reading where you saw Jesus more clearly. Then discuss the reflection question together.

Prayer

Lord Jesus, keep my eyes on You and shape my life by Your Word. Holy Spirit, give me grace to trust, obey, and follow You today. Amen.

Live Today

Before deciding, ask God for wisdom and wait long enough to listen. Lord Jesus, help me not only to know Your Word but to live it. Transform my heart so that my life reflects You more each day.

Day 160 — June 9

God Builds the House

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Read God's Word First

Proverb: Proverbs 16:28–30

Read First: 1 Kings 5:1–6:38 • Acts 7:1–29 • Psalm 127:1–5 • Proverbs 16:28–30

Old Testament Summary

Solomon builds the Temple with great care. The house is magnificent, but its true importance is that God chooses to place His name among His people.

New Testament Summary

Stephen retells Israel's story, showing that God has always been at work beyond buildings and human expectations. The story is moving toward God's true Deliverer.

Psalm Summary

Unless the LORD builds the house, human labor is ultimately empty.

Proverbs Summary

Deceitful speech divides people. Guard words that quietly damage relationships.

Discover Jesus Today

Solomon builds a temple, but Jesus is the true meeting place between God and humanity. Through Him, God is building a living people.

Heart Reflection

Am I building something God never asked me to build, or joining what He is building?

Fellowship Questions

Share one place in today's reading where you saw Jesus more clearly. Then discuss the reflection question together.

Prayer

Lord Jesus, keep my eyes on You and shape my life by Your Word. Holy Spirit, give me grace to trust, obey, and follow You today. Amen.

Live Today

Build one thing today that strengthens another person's faith. Lord Jesus, help me not only to know Your Word but to live it. Transform my heart so that my life reflects You more each day.

Week 23 Review - The Big Story (Days 154–160)

Days 154–160 • June 3–June 9

Sunday Group Review - About 15 Minutes

The Big Story

David's reign closes with both praise and pain. Solomon rises, asks for wisdom, and begins building the Temple. Yet Acts immediately lifts our eyes higher. Jesus has risen and ascended. The Holy Spirit comes at Pentecost. Peter preaches Christ, the church is born, and opposition cannot stop the witness. Human kingdoms depend on fragile rulers; Christ's Kingdom moves forward by the power of the Spirit.

Finding Jesus This Week

- Jesus is the risen and ascended King.
- Jesus pours out the Holy Spirit.
- Jesus is the only name that saves.
- Jesus turns ordinary followers into witnesses.

Reflect Together

1. Which reading helped you see Jesus most clearly this week? 2. Where did you see the Holy Spirit leading ordinary people? 3. What warning from the kings do you want to remember? 4. What truth from the Psalms or Proverbs do you want to carry forward? 5. What one change will Jesus see you changing this week?

Fellowship Questions

Go around the group and complete this sentence: "This week I saw Jesus in ____." Keep it simple and give everyone room to answer.

Week Prayer

Lord Jesus, thank You for meeting us in Your Word. Holy Spirit, lead us, strengthen us, and make us faithful witnesses. Transform our hearts so our lives increasingly reflect Christ. Amen.

Week Preview

Next week Solomon's glory begins to fade, while Acts shows the gospel breaking through old boundaries. Keep watching what happens when people resist God — and what happens when grace opens a heart.

Day 161 — June 10

The Most High Does Not Live in Temples

Soli Deo Gloria — For the Glory of God Alone

Read God's Word First

Proverb: Proverbs 16:31–33

Read First: 1 Kings 7:1–51 • Acts 7:30–50 • Psalm 128:1–6 • Proverbs 16:31–33

Old Testament Summary

The Temple furnishings are completed with beauty and skill. Human hands can build a house for worship, but no building can contain the living God.

New Testament Summary

Stephen reminds his hearers that Moses met God outside the promised land and that the Most High cannot be contained by temples made with hands.

Psalm Summary

God's blessing is pictured in a life ordered around reverence for Him.

Proverbs Summary

Gray hair can be a crown of honor; finishing faithfully matters.

Discover Jesus Today

Stephen makes the point plainly: God is bigger than our buildings. Jesus brings God's presence near and forms His people into a living temple.

Heart Reflection

Have I confused a church building or routine with the living presence of God?

Fellowship Questions

Share one place in today's reading where you saw Jesus more clearly. Then discuss the reflection question together.

Prayer

Lord Jesus, keep my eyes on You and shape my life by Your Word. Holy Spirit, give me grace to trust, obey, and follow You today. Amen.

Live Today

Meet with God Himself, not merely with a religious routine. Lord Jesus, help me not only to know Your Word but to live it. Transform my heart so that my life reflects You more each day.

Day 162 — June 11

God Dwells With His People

Soli Deo Gloria — For the Glory of God Alone

Read God's Word First

Proverb: Proverbs 17:1

Read First: 1 Kings 8:1–66 • Acts 7:51–8:13 • Psalm 129:1–8 • Proverbs 17:1

Old Testament Summary

The ark enters the Temple and God's glory fills the house. Solomon prays toward heaven, knowing that even the highest heavens cannot contain God.

New Testament Summary

Stephen confronts resistance to the Holy Spirit and sees Jesus standing at God's right hand before he is killed. Persecution scatters believers — and the gospel travels with them.

Psalm Summary

Affliction does not get the final word; the LORD is righteous.

Proverbs Summary

Peace in a home is better than abundance with strife.

Discover Jesus Today

The glory that filled Solomon's Temple prepares us to understand God dwelling with His people. Stephen sees the risen Jesus in heavenly glory.

Heart Reflection

What would it look like for my life to welcome God's presence today?

Fellowship Questions

Share one place in today's reading where you saw Jesus more clearly. Then discuss the reflection question together.

Prayer

Lord Jesus, keep my eyes on You and shape my life by Your Word. Holy Spirit, give me grace to trust, obey, and follow You today. Amen.

Live Today

Make room for God's presence through prayer, obedience, and praise. Lord Jesus, help me not only to know Your Word but to live it. Transform my heart so that my life reflects You more each day.

Day 163 — June 12

Good News on the Road

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Read God's Word First

Proverb: Proverbs 17:2–3

Read First: 1 Kings 9:1–10:29 • Acts 8:14–40 • Psalm 130:1–8 • Proverbs 17:2–3

Old Testament Summary

God warns Solomon to remain faithful, while Solomon's fame and wealth grow. The Queen of Sheba sees his wisdom, yet prosperity can become dangerous when the heart wanders.

New Testament Summary

The Spirit confirms the gospel among Samaritans. Philip is then sent to one Ethiopian seeker, explains Scripture through Jesus, and baptizes him.

Psalms Summary

From the depths we cry to God, whose forgiveness gives us reason to hope.

Proverbs Summary

God tests hearts, and foolishness eventually exposes itself.

Discover Jesus Today

Philip begins with Scripture and tells the Ethiopian the good news about Jesus. This is our pattern too: read the Word and follow it toward Christ.

Heart Reflection

Could I explain simply how today's Scripture leads to Jesus?

Fellowship Questions

Share one place in today's reading where you saw Jesus more clearly. Then discuss the reflection question together.

Prayer

Lord Jesus, keep my eyes on You and shape my life by Your Word. Holy Spirit, give me grace to trust, obey, and follow You today. Amen.

Live Today

Read one verse again and practice explaining how it leads toward Jesus. Lord Jesus, help me not only to know Your Word but to live it. Transform my heart so that my life reflects You more each day.

Day 164 — June 13

Jesus Stops Saul

Soli Deo Gloria — For the Glory of God Alone

Read God's Word First

Proverb: Proverbs 17:4–5

Read First: 1 Kings 11:1–12:19 • Acts 9:1–25 • Psalm 131:1–3 • Proverbs 17:4–5

Old Testament Summary

Solomon's loves turn his heart toward idols, and the kingdom begins to tear apart. Rehoboam's harshness accelerates the division. Human wisdom without faithful obedience collapses.

New Testament Summary

Saul meets the risen Jesus on the Damascus road. The persecutor becomes a preacher: Jesus is the Son of God. Grace does not merely improve Saul; it redirects his entire life.

Psalm Summary

The quiet soul rests in God rather than demanding greatness.

Proverbs Summary

The wicked give ear to harmful talk, but mocking the poor insults their Maker. Finding joy in another's ruin will not go unpunished.

Discover Jesus Today

Solomon's kingdom fractures; Saul's old life is shattered by grace. Jesus can turn an enemy into a witness.

Heart Reflection

What part of my old life still needs to surrender to the risen Christ?

Fellowship Questions

Share one place in today's reading where you saw Jesus more clearly. Then discuss the reflection question together.

Prayer

Lord Jesus, keep my eyes on You and shape my life by Your Word. Holy Spirit, give me grace to trust, obey, and follow You today. Amen.

Live Today

Remember who you were without Christ and thank Him for grace. Lord Jesus, help me not only to know Your Word but to live it. Transform my heart so that my life reflects You more each day.

Day 165 — June 14

Grace Changes a Life

Soli Deo Gloria — For the Glory of God Alone

Read God's Word First

Proverb: Proverbs 17:6

Read First: 1 Kings 12:20–13:34 • Acts 9:26–43 • Psalm 132:1–18 • Proverbs 17:6

Old Testament Summary

Jeroboam creates counterfeit worship, and even a prophet who spoke God's word disobeys it. Religious activity cannot replace obedience to God.

New Testament Summary

Barnabas welcomes Saul when others fear him. Peter heals Aeneas and raises Tabitha, and many turn to the Lord. Jesus continues working through His people.

Psalm Summary

God remembers His covenant and His promise concerning David's line.

Proverbs Summary

Family honor is a gift, but truth and faithfulness matter more than appearances.

Discover Jesus Today

False worship multiplies in Kings, but Acts shows the fruit of genuine faith in Jesus: healing, courage, generosity, and new life.

Heart Reflection

Who needs encouragement from me instead of suspicion or fear?

Fellowship Questions

Share one place in today's reading where you saw Jesus more clearly. Then discuss the reflection question together.

Prayer

Lord Jesus, keep my eyes on You and shape my life by Your Word. Holy Spirit, give me grace to trust, obey, and follow You today. Amen.

Live Today

Encourage one believer who may feel overlooked or doubted. Lord Jesus, help me not only to know Your Word but to live it. Transform my heart so that my life reflects You more each day.

Day 166 — June 15

God Opens the Door

Soli Deo Gloria — For the Glory of God Alone

Read God's Word First

Proverb: Proverbs 17:7–8

Read First: 1 Kings 14:1–15:24 • Acts 10:1–23 • Psalm 133:1–3 • Proverbs 17:7–8

Old Testament Summary

Kings rise and fall, and the repeated verdict is spiritual: did they walk with God or turn away? Political success cannot heal an unfaithful heart.

New Testament Summary

God prepares both Peter and Cornelius for a barrier-breaking meeting. The gospel is moving beyond familiar boundaries because God shows no favoritism.

Psalms Summary

Unity among God's people is precious and life-giving.

Proverbs Summary

Excellent speech does not suit a fool, and lying lips fit a prince even less. A bribe looks like a precious stone to the one who gives it.

Discover Jesus Today

Human kings divide people; Jesus breaks barriers. God prepares Peter to see that the gospel is for people he once considered outside.

Heart Reflection

Whom might God be asking me to welcome rather than keep at a distance?

Fellowship Questions

Share one place in today's reading where you saw Jesus more clearly. Then discuss the reflection question together.

Prayer

Lord Jesus, keep my eyes on You and shape my life by Your Word. Holy Spirit, give me grace to trust, obey, and follow You today. Amen.

Live Today

Cross one comfortable boundary with Christlike welcome. Lord Jesus, help me not only to know Your Word but to live it.

Transform my heart so that my life reflects You more each day.

Day 167 — June 16

Jesus Is Lord of All

Soli Deo Gloria — For the Glory of God Alone

Read God's Word First

Proverb: Proverbs 17:9–11

Read First: 1 Kings 15:25–17:24 • Acts 10:24–48 • Psalm 134:1–3 • Proverbs 17:9–11

Old Testament Summary

Israel's kings continue their downward path, but Elijah appears and announces drought. God feeds His prophet, provides for a widow, and restores her son to life.

New Testament Summary

Peter proclaims Jesus as Lord of all. While he speaks, the Holy Spirit falls on Gentiles, proving that God welcomes all who trust Christ.

Psalm Summary

A short call for God's servants to bless the LORD.

Proverbs Summary

Covering an offense promotes love, but repeating a matter separates close friends. A rebuke sinks deeper into the wise than a hundred blows into a fool, and the rebellious man invites a cruel messenger.

Discover Jesus Today

Elijah raises a widow's son, anticipating the life-giving power seen fully in Jesus. Acts announces Him as Lord of all and welcomes Gentiles by the Spirit.

Heart Reflection

Do I truly believe Jesus is Lord of all people — not only people like me?

Fellowship Questions

Share one place in today's reading where you saw Jesus more clearly. Then discuss the reflection question together.

Prayer

Lord Jesus, keep my eyes on You and shape my life by Your Word. Holy Spirit, give me grace to trust, obey, and follow You today. Amen.

Live Today

Treat one person you might overlook as someone Jesus came to save. Lord Jesus, help me not only to know Your Word but to live it. Transform my heart so that my life reflects You more each day.

Week 24 Review - The Big Story (Days 161–167)

Days 161–167 • June 10–June 16

Sunday Group Review - About 15 Minutes

The Big Story

Solomon's Temple reaches its glory, but his heart and kingdom begin to fracture. False worship spreads through Israel. Acts moves in the opposite direction: Stephen sees Jesus in glory, persecution scatters believers, Philip carries the gospel outward, Saul meets the risen Christ, and Gentile doors begin to open. Buildings and borders cannot contain God's mission.

Finding Jesus This Week

- Jesus is greater than the Temple.
- Jesus stands with faithful witnesses.
- Jesus meets enemies with transforming grace.
- Jesus opens the gospel to every people.

Reflect Together

1. Which reading helped you see Jesus most clearly this week? 2. Where did you see the Holy Spirit leading ordinary people? 3. What warning from the kings do you want to remember? 4. What truth from the Psalms or Proverbs do you want to carry forward? 5. What one change will Jesus see you changing this week?

Fellowship Questions

Go around the group and complete this sentence: “This week I saw Jesus in ____.” Keep it simple and give everyone room to answer.

Week Prayer

Lord Jesus, thank You for meeting us in Your Word. Holy Spirit, lead us, strengthen us, and make us faithful witnesses. Transform our hearts so our lives increasingly reflect Christ. Amen.

Week Preview

Next week Elijah confronts idolatry, experiences both victory and exhaustion, and Acts sends missionaries outward. The living God is still calling people away from idols and toward His Son.

Day 168 — June 17

The Living God Answers

Soli Deo Gloria — For the Glory of God Alone

Read God’s Word First

Proverb: Proverbs 17:12–13

Read First: 1 Kings 18:1–46 • Acts 11:1–30 • Psalm 135:1–21 • Proverbs 17:12–13

Old Testament Summary

Elijah confronts Ahab and the prophets of Baal. On Mount Carmel the living God answers with fire, exposing powerless idols and calling His people back.

New Testament Summary

Peter explains that God has granted Gentiles repentance leading to life. The church in Antioch grows, and believers are first called Christians there.

Psalms Summary

God alone is worthy of praise; idols have mouths and eyes but no life.

Proverbs Summary

Meeting a fool in his folly is more dangerous than meeting a bear robbed of her cubs. Whoever repays good with evil will not see evil leave his house.

Discover Jesus Today

The God who answers Elijah is the God who raised Jesus. The church does not carry a dead religion but the good news of the living Lord.

Heart Reflection

What idol competes most often for my trust?

Fellowship Questions

Share one place in today's reading where you saw Jesus more clearly. Then discuss the reflection question together.

Prayer

Lord Jesus, keep my eyes on You and shape my life by Your Word. Holy Spirit, give me grace to trust, obey, and follow You today. Amen.

Live Today

Name one idol and deliberately give that area back to God. Lord Jesus, help me not only to know Your Word but to live it. Transform my heart so that my life reflects You more each day.

Day 169 — June 18

God Meets Us in Weakness

Soli Deo Gloria — For the Glory of God Alone

Read God's Word First

Proverb: Proverbs 17:14–15

Read First: 1 Kings 19:1–21 • Acts 12:1–23 • Psalm 136:1–26 • Proverbs 17:14–15

Old Testament Summary

After Carmel, Elijah collapses in fear and exhaustion. God meets him gently, speaks in quietness, and sends him back with purpose and a companion.

New Testament Summary

Herod attacks the church and Peter is miraculously freed from prison. Human rulers boast and perish, but God's purposes continue.

Psalm Summary

Every line repeats the foundation of hope: His faithful love endures forever.

Proverbs Summary

Strife begins like breaching a dam, so drop the quarrel before it breaks out. Justifying the wicked and condemning the righteous are both alike an abomination to the LORD.

Discover Jesus Today

Elijah's weakness does not cancel his calling. Jesus is gentle with weary servants and continues His mission through fragile people.

Heart Reflection

Where do I need to receive God's gentle strength instead of pretending I am strong?

Fellowship Questions

Share one place in today's reading where you saw Jesus more clearly. Then discuss the reflection question together.

Prayer

Lord Jesus, keep my eyes on You and shape my life by Your Word. Holy Spirit, give me grace to trust, obey, and follow You today. Amen.

Live Today

Receive rest as a gift from God, then return to your calling. Lord Jesus, help me not only to know Your Word but to live it. Transform my heart so that my life reflects You more each day.

Day 170 — June 19

The Word Keeps Spreading

Soli Deo Gloria — For the Glory of God Alone

Read God's Word First

Proverb: Proverbs 17:16

Read First: 1 Kings 20:1–21:29 • Acts 12:24–13:15 • Psalm 137:1–9 •
Proverbs 17:16

Old Testament Summary

Ahab repeatedly sees God's power yet refuses wholehearted obedience. Naboth's vineyard exposes the cruelty produced when rulers treat God's law as optional.

New Testament Summary

The Word of God keeps spreading. The Holy Spirit sets apart Barnabas and Saul, and the church sends them. Mission begins in worship, prayer, and obedience.

Psalm Summary

Exile produces grief and longing. Sin has real consequences, and God's people ache for home.

Proverbs Summary

Wisdom is not something we can purchase while refusing to seek God.

Discover Jesus Today

Ahab grasps for what is not his; Jesus gives Himself for others. While kings misuse power, the Spirit sends servants to give away the gospel.

Heart Reflection

Am I available for the Holy Spirit to send me?

Fellowship Questions

Share one place in today's reading where you saw Jesus more clearly. Then discuss the reflection question together.

Prayer

Lord Jesus, keep my eyes on You and shape my life by Your Word. Holy Spirit, give me grace to trust, obey, and follow You today. Amen.

Live Today

Ask the Spirit, "Where are You sending me today?" Lord Jesus, help me not only to know Your Word but to live it. Transform my heart so that my life reflects You more each day.

Day 171 — June 20

The Promised Savior Has Come

Soli Deo Gloria — For the Glory of God Alone

Read God's Word First

Proverb: Proverbs 17:17–18

Read First: 1 Kings 22:1–53 • Acts 13:16–41 • Psalm 138:1–8 • Proverbs 17:17–18

Old Testament Summary

Ahab prefers agreeable voices to God's truth and dies in battle as foretold. God's word stands even when kings reject it.

New Testament Summary

Paul traces Israel's story to David and then announces God's promised Savior: Jesus. His resurrection is the center of the good news.

Psalms Summary

God hears, strengthens, and fulfills His purposes for His people.

Proverbs Summary

Faithful friendship is precious, especially in adversity.

Discover Jesus Today

Israel's history leads Paul directly to Jesus: the promised descendant of David, crucified and raised. The resurrection is God's decisive answer.

Heart Reflection

Could I explain in a sentence why the resurrection of Jesus matters?

Fellowship Questions

Share one place in today's reading where you saw Jesus more clearly. Then discuss the reflection question together.

Prayer

Lord Jesus, keep my eyes on You and shape my life by Your Word. Holy Spirit, give me grace to trust, obey, and follow You today. Amen.

Live Today

Tell someone in simple words why the resurrection gives you hope. Lord Jesus, help me not only to know Your Word but to live it. Transform my heart so that my life reflects You more each day.

Day 172 — June 21

Known and Sent

Soli Deo Gloria — For the Glory of God Alone

Read God's Word First

Proverb: Proverbs 17:19–21

Read First: 2 Kings 1:1–2:25 • Acts 13:42–14:7 • Psalm 139:1–24 • Proverbs 17:19–21

Old Testament Summary

Ahaziah seeks help from a false god. Elijah is taken up, and Elisha receives his mantle. God's work continues from one servant to another.

New Testament Summary

Many receive the message while others oppose it. Paul and Barnabas turn toward the Gentiles, and the Word spreads despite persecution.

Psalm Summary

God knows us completely — our thoughts, paths, words, and hidden places — and we invite Him to search our hearts.

Proverbs Summary

Rebellion and pride lead toward ruin; God calls us to a better path.

Discover Jesus Today

Elijah passes the mantle, but Jesus never leaves His throne. He keeps sending witnesses from generation to generation.

Heart Reflection

What am I passing to the next generation about Jesus?

Fellowship Questions

Share one place in today's reading where you saw Jesus more clearly. Then discuss the reflection question together.

Prayer

Lord Jesus, keep my eyes on You and shape my life by Your Word. Holy Spirit, give me grace to trust, obey, and follow You today. Amen.

Live Today

Pass one truth about Jesus to someone younger in faith. Lord Jesus, help me not only to know Your Word but to live it. Transform my heart so that my life reflects You more each day.

Day 173 — June 22

A Door of Faith

Soli Deo Gloria — For the Glory of God Alone

Read God's Word First

Proverb: Proverbs 17:22

Read First: 2 Kings 3:1–4:17 • Acts 14:8–28 • Psalm 140:1–13 • Proverbs 17:22

Old Testament Summary

God provides water for armies and oil for a desperate widow, then promises a son to the Shunammite woman. His provision reaches public crises and private homes.

New Testament Summary

Paul heals a lame man but refuses worship. After being stoned, he rises and continues strengthening disciples. The missionaries return reporting that God opened a door of faith to the Gentiles.

Psalm Summary

David asks God for rescue from violent people and trusts His justice.

Proverbs Summary

A joyful heart is good medicine. Christian joy is rooted not in easy circumstances but in the risen Christ.

Discover Jesus Today

God's abundant provision in Kings and the open door among the Gentiles in Acts both show grace overflowing beyond what people could manufacture.

Heart Reflection

Where have I seen God open a door I could not open myself?

Fellowship Questions

Share one place in today's reading where you saw Jesus more clearly. Then discuss the reflection question together.

Prayer

Lord Jesus, keep my eyes on You and shape my life by Your Word. Holy Spirit, give me grace to trust, obey, and follow You today. Amen.

Live Today

Thank God for one door of grace He has opened. Lord Jesus, help me not only to know Your Word but to live it. Transform my heart so that my life reflects You more each day.

Day 174 — June 23

Saved by Grace

Soli Deo Gloria — For the Glory of God Alone

Read God's Word First

Proverb: Proverbs 17:23

Read First: 2 Kings 4:18–5:27 • Acts 15:1–35 • Psalm 141:1–10 • Proverbs 17:23

Old Testament Summary

Elisha raises the Shunammite's son, feeds many, and Naaman is cleansed when he humbly obeys. God's grace reaches outsiders, while Gehazi's greed brings ruin.

New Testament Summary

The Jerusalem Council rejects the idea that Gentiles must earn salvation through the Law. Peter's conclusion is clear: we are saved through the grace of the Lord Jesus.

Psalm Summary

David asks God to guard his mouth and keep his heart from evil.

Proverbs Summary

Bribery corrupts justice. Jesus calls His people to truth and impartial love.

Discover Jesus Today

Naaman receives cleansing he cannot buy. Acts 15 makes the same gospel truth unmistakable: salvation is God's grace, not a wage we earn.

Heart Reflection

Am I resting in grace or quietly trying to earn God's acceptance?

Fellowship Questions

Share one place in today's reading where you saw Jesus more clearly. Then discuss the reflection question together.

Prayer

Lord Jesus, keep my eyes on You and shape my life by Your Word. Holy Spirit, give me grace to trust, obey, and follow You today. Amen.

Live Today

Stop trying to earn what Jesus gives by grace. Lord Jesus, help me not only to know Your Word but to live it. Transform my heart so that my life reflects You more each day.

Week 25 Review - The Big Story (Days 168–174)

Days 168–174 • June 17–June 23

Sunday Group Review - About 15 Minutes

The Big Story

Israel's kings continue their downward spiral while Elijah stands for the living God. He experiences fire on Carmel and weakness in the wilderness. Acts shows the same God strengthening His church: Gentiles receive the Spirit, Peter is freed, missionaries are sent, and Paul announces that God's promises to David have reached their fulfillment in the risen Jesus.

Finding Jesus This Week

- Jesus is the promised Son of David.
- Jesus is Lord of all.
- Jesus strengthens weak servants.
- Jesus sends His church in the Spirit's power.

Reflect Together

1. Which reading helped you see Jesus most clearly this week? 2. Where did you see the Holy Spirit leading ordinary people? 3. What warning from the kings do you want to remember? 4. What truth from the Psalms or Proverbs do you want to carry forward? 5. What one change will Jesus see you changing this week?

Fellowship Questions

Go around the group and complete this sentence: "This week I saw Jesus in ____." Keep it simple and give everyone room to answer.

Week Prayer

Lord Jesus, thank You for meeting us in Your Word. Holy Spirit, lead us, strengthen us, and make us faithful witnesses. Transform our hearts so our lives increasingly reflect Christ. Amen.

Week Preview

Next week Elisha's ministry continues while Acts carries the gospel into new cities, homes, prisons, and public squares. Watch how God works in both miracles and ordinary faithfulness.

Day 175 — June 24

Open Eyes, Open Hearts

Soli Deo Gloria — For the Glory of God Alone

Read God's Word First

Proverb: Proverbs 17:24–25

Read First: 2 Kings 6:1–7:20 • Acts 15:36–16:15 • Psalm 142:1–7 • Proverbs 17:24–25

Old Testament Summary

God opens a servant's eyes to the unseen heavenly army and later ends a siege in an unexpected way. What looks impossible to us is never beyond God.

New Testament Summary

Paul and Barnabas separate, yet mission continues. The Spirit redirects Paul, and Lydia's heart is opened to receive the message.

Psalm Summary

From the cave, David pours out his complaint to God and calls Him his refuge.

Proverbs Summary

Wisdom keeps its eyes on what matters instead of wandering after foolishness.

Discover Jesus Today

Elisha's servant needs opened eyes; Lydia needs an opened heart. Jesus meets both needs — He helps us see and enables us to respond.

Heart Reflection

What do I need Jesus to help me see differently?

Fellowship Questions

Share one place in today's reading where you saw Jesus more clearly. Then discuss the reflection question together.

Prayer

Lord Jesus, keep my eyes on You and shape my life by Your Word. Holy Spirit, give me grace to trust, obey, and follow You today. Amen.

Live Today

Ask Jesus to open your eyes to what fear has hidden. Lord Jesus, help me not only to know Your Word but to live it. Transform my heart so that my life reflects You more each day.

Day 176 — June 25

Songs in the Night

Soli Deo Gloria — For the Glory of God Alone

Read God's Word First

Proverb: Proverbs 17:26

Read First: 2 Kings 8:1–9:13 • Acts 16:16–40 • Psalm 143:1–12 • Proverbs 17:26

Old Testament Summary

Kings and kingdoms continue changing, and Jehu is anointed to execute judgment on Ahab's house. God is patient, but His warnings are not empty.

New Testament Summary

Paul and Silas worship in prison. An earthquake opens the doors, but the greater miracle is a jailer asking how to be saved and believing in the Lord Jesus.

Psalm Summary

David asks for mercy, guidance, and the Spirit's leading.

Proverbs Summary

Justice requires restraint and truth. Punishing the innocent is never righteous.

Discover Jesus Today

Paul and Silas sing while chained because Jesus is still Lord in the night. No prison can imprison the gospel.

Heart Reflection

Can I worship Jesus before my circumstances change?

Fellowship Questions

Share one place in today's reading where you saw Jesus more clearly. Then discuss the reflection question together.

Prayer

Lord Jesus, keep my eyes on You and shape my life by Your Word. Holy Spirit, give me grace to trust, obey, and follow You today. Amen.

Live Today

Praise Jesus before you know how the problem will end. Lord Jesus, help me not only to know Your Word but to live it. Transform my heart so that my life reflects You more each day.

Day 177 — June 26

The Unknown God Made Known

Soli Deo Gloria — For the Glory of God Alone

Read God's Word First

Proverb: Proverbs 17:27–28

Read First: 2 Kings 9:14–10:31 • Acts 17:1–34 • Psalm 144:1–15 • Proverbs 17:27–28

Old Testament Summary

Jehu destroys Ahab's house and Baal worship but does not fully turn from Israel's idolatry. Partial obedience is still incomplete obedience.

New Testament Summary

Paul reasons from Scripture in synagogue after synagogue, then speaks in Athens about the Creator and the risen Jesus. The gospel meets both Bible readers and philosophers.

Psalms Summary

God trains, protects, and blesses; human life is brief, but the LORD is our fortress.

Proverbs Summary

Wise people use words carefully and keep a calm spirit.

Discover Jesus Today

Athens is full of idols, just as Kings is full of false worship. Paul points beyond every substitute to the Creator and the risen Jesus.

Heart Reflection

What substitute for God has become too important in my life?

Fellowship Questions

Share one place in today's reading where you saw Jesus more clearly. Then discuss the reflection question together.

Prayer

Lord Jesus, keep my eyes on You and shape my life by Your Word. Holy Spirit, give me grace to trust, obey, and follow You today. Amen.

Live Today

Remove one small rival that is competing for your attention to God. Lord Jesus, help me not only to know Your Word but to live it. Transform my heart so that my life reflects You more each day.

Day 178 — June 27

Keep Speaking

Soli Deo Gloria — For the Glory of God Alone

Read God's Word First

Proverb: Proverbs 18:1

Read First: 2 Kings 10:32–12:21 • Acts 18:1–22 • Psalm 145:1–21 • Proverbs 18:1

Old Testament Summary

Judah's royal line is preserved through Joash, and the Temple is repaired. God protects the line of promise even through political violence and spiritual decline.

New Testament Summary

Paul works and teaches in Corinth despite opposition. Jesus assures him not to be afraid but to keep speaking because God has people in the city.

Psalm Summary

Generation after generation is called to tell of God's greatness, compassion, and kingdom.

Proverbs Summary

Isolation can feed selfish desire; we were made for wise community.

Discover Jesus Today

Joash repairs the Temple; Paul keeps building Christ's church through the Word. Jesus tells His servant not to be silent.

Heart Reflection

Where is Jesus telling me, Do not be afraid; keep speaking?

Fellowship Questions

Share one place in today's reading where you saw Jesus more clearly. Then discuss the reflection question together.

Prayer

Lord Jesus, keep my eyes on You and shape my life by Your Word. Holy Spirit, give me grace to trust, obey, and follow You today. Amen.

Live Today

Say one truthful, gracious word about Jesus instead of remaining silent. Lord Jesus, help me not only to know Your Word but to live it. Transform my heart so that my life reflects You more each day.

Day 179 — June 28

The Way of God More Accurately

Soli Deo Gloria — For the Glory of God Alone

Read God's Word First

Proverb: Proverbs 18:2–3

Read First: 2 Kings 13:1–14:29 • Acts 18:23–19:12 • Psalm 146:1–10 •
Proverbs 18:2–3

Old Testament Summary

Israel and Judah cycle through kings, wars, victories, and failures. God continues showing mercy, but human leadership keeps proving unable to rescue the heart.

New Testament Summary

Apollos is teachable and grows in understanding. In Ephesus, disciples receive fuller instruction and the name of the Lord Jesus is honored through genuine Spirit-empowered ministry.

Psalm Summary

Do not put ultimate trust in princes. The LORD reigns and cares for the vulnerable.

Proverbs Summary

Fools resist understanding and prefer airing their own opinions. A teachable heart listens.

Discover Jesus Today

Apollos shows that strong teachers still need to keep learning. Jesus forms humble disciples who receive correction and then help others.

Heart Reflection

Am I teachable when someone helps me understand God's Word more accurately?

Fellowship Questions

Share one place in today's reading where you saw Jesus more clearly. Then discuss the reflection question together.

Prayer

Lord Jesus, keep my eyes on You and shape my life by Your Word. Holy Spirit, give me grace to trust, obey, and follow You today. Amen.

Live Today

Receive correction without defensiveness and keep learning. Lord Jesus, help me not only to know Your Word but to live it. Transform my heart so that my life reflects You more each day.

Day 180 — June 29

The Name of Jesus Is Not a Formula

Soli Deo Gloria — For the Glory of God Alone

Read God's Word First

Proverb: Proverbs 18:4–5

Read First: 2 Kings 15:1–16:20 • Acts 19:13–41 • Psalm 147:1–20 • Proverbs 18:4–5

Old Testament Summary

King after king repeats the sins of earlier generations. Ahaz embraces idolatry and reshapes worship around pagan patterns. Compromise spreads when God's Word is displaced.

New Testament Summary

Counterfeit spiritual power is exposed in Ephesus. The gospel disrupts idolatry and commerce because allegiance to Jesus changes what people worship and value.

Psalm Summary

God heals the brokenhearted, rules creation, and delights in those who hope in His faithful love.

Proverbs Summary

Words can become deep waters; wisdom should be a life-giving stream.

Discover Jesus Today

The name of Jesus cannot be used as magic. Christ calls for real allegiance, and His lordship threatens every idol that competes for the heart.

Heart Reflection

Is Jesus truly Lord of my life, or merely a name I use?

Fellowship Questions

Share one place in today's reading where you saw Jesus more clearly. Then discuss the reflection question together.

Prayer

Lord Jesus, keep my eyes on You and shape my life by Your Word. Holy Spirit, give me grace to trust, obey, and follow You today. Amen.

Live Today

Let your conduct show that the name of Jesus is holy to you. Lord Jesus, help me not only to know Your Word but to live it. Transform my heart so that my life reflects You more each day.

Day 181 — June 30

Finish the Race

Soli Deo Gloria — For the Glory of God Alone

Read God's Word First

Proverb: Proverbs 18:6–7

Read First: 2 Kings 17:1–18:12 • Acts 20:1–38 • Psalm 148:1–14 • Proverbs 18:6–7

Old Testament Summary

Israel finally falls to Assyria after generations of rejecting God. Hezekiah, however, trusts the LORD and removes idols — a bright contrast in a dark chapter.

New Testament Summary

Paul encourages believers and gives the Ephesian elders a moving farewell. He has served humbly and wants to finish the work the Lord Jesus gave him.

Psalm Summary

All creation is summoned to praise the LORD — from heavens and angels to kings and ordinary people.

Proverbs Summary

Foolish lips invite conflict. Let Christ govern both our speech and our motives.

Discover Jesus Today

Israel's collapse shows the end of persistent rebellion. Paul's farewell shows another road: humble service, repentance, faith, and finishing the race with Jesus.

Heart Reflection

What would finishing faithfully look like in the season God has given me?

Fellowship Questions

Share one place in today's reading where you saw Jesus more clearly. Then discuss the reflection question together.

Prayer

Lord Jesus, keep my eyes on You and shape my life by Your Word. Holy Spirit, give me grace to trust, obey, and follow You today. Amen.

Live Today

Do one task today as someone determined to finish faithfully. Lord Jesus, help me not only to know Your Word but to live it. Transform my heart so that my life reflects You more each day.

Week 26 Review - The Big Story (Days 175–181)

Days 175–181 • June 24–June 30

Sunday Group Review - About 15 Minutes

The Big Story

Elisha's ministry displays God's compassion and power while Israel's rulers remain deeply flawed. Acts shows the gospel crossing another decisive threshold: Lydia believes, a jailer is converted, Athens hears of the risen Christ, and churches grow despite resistance. God's Kingdom advances not through perfect circumstances but through faithful witnesses.

Finding Jesus This Week

- Jesus saves by grace, not human achievement.
- Jesus opens hearts and prison doors.
- Jesus is proclaimed among both Jews and Gentiles.
- Jesus keeps His servants speaking when opposition rises.

Reflect Together

1. Which reading helped you see Jesus most clearly this week? 2. Where did you see the Holy Spirit leading ordinary people? 3. What warning from the kings do you want to remember? 4. What truth from the Psalms or Proverbs do you want to carry forward? 5. What one change will Jesus see you changing this week?

Fellowship Questions

Go around the group and complete this sentence: “This week I saw Jesus in ____.” Keep it simple and give everyone room to answer.

Week Prayer

Lord Jesus, thank You for meeting us in Your Word. Holy Spirit, lead us, strengthen us, and make us faithful witnesses. Transform our hearts so our lives increasingly reflect Christ. Amen.

Week Preview

Israel has fallen to Assyria, and Judah now stands under the same shadow, but Paul keeps moving toward Jerusalem. Human kingdoms shake; Christ’s mission continues.

June Month Review - The Big Story

Jesus Reigns. The Holy Spirit Leads. The Gospel Goes Out.

The Big Story

June began with David's kingdom still wounded and ended with Israel falling to Assyria. Between those points we watched Solomon rise in wisdom and glory, build the Temple, and then drift. The kingdom divided. Idolatry multiplied. Elijah confronted false worship. Elisha served in the middle of national decline. Kings came and went, and the repeated lesson became impossible to miss: no human ruler can save the human heart. Then Acts thundered alongside Kings with a completely different kind of Kingdom. Jesus ascended but did not disappear from the story. He poured out the Holy Spirit. Peter preached. Stephen witnessed. Philip went to Samaria and to one man on a desert road. Saul the persecutor met the risen Christ and became Paul the missionary. Gentiles were welcomed. Churches were planted. Prisoners sang. Philosophers heard. Opposition intensified. Still the Word moved forward. Kings shows kingdoms failing from the inside. Acts shows Christ's Kingdom spreading from the inside out — heart by heart, home by home, city by city. The King is Jesus. The power is the Holy Spirit. The message is the gospel. The witnesses are ordinary people who say yes. June ends with Hezekiah learning again that prayer matters, Paul walking toward hardship because he belongs to Jesus, and Psalm 148 calling all creation to praise the LORD. That is a fitting ending: after all the kings, all the battles, all the missionaries, all the miracles, and all the opposition, the glory belongs to God alone.

Finding Jesus This Month

- Risen King: Jesus ascends and reigns.
- Spirit Giver: Jesus pours out the promised Holy Spirit.
- Only Savior: salvation is found in His name.
- Greater Temple: Christ forms a living people for God's presence.
- Lord of All: the gospel crosses ethnic and cultural boundaries.
- Grace Giver: salvation is received, not earned.
- Faithful Sender: Jesus keeps sending witnesses even through opposition.
- True King: every failed ruler makes His perfect reign shine brighter.

Reflect Together

1. Where did Acts change the way you think about the Holy Spirit? 2. Which king or prophet taught you the strongest lesson? 3. Where did you see the gospel cross a barrier? 4. What did June teach you about courage and witness? 5. What one change will Jesus see you changing as you enter July?

June Prayer

Lord Jesus, You are the King we need. Thank You for giving Your Spirit and sending Your people with the gospel. Guard our hearts from the idols and compromises that ruined so many kings. Give us courage to speak, humility to serve, and grace to obey. Holy Spirit, keep opening our hearts to see Christ in all of Scripture. For the glory of God alone. Amen.

July Preview — Keep Going

June closes with the kingdom of Judah under pressure and Paul under pressure — but neither God’s promises nor Christ’s mission have failed. July will carry us through the fall of Jerusalem, into Chronicles, and deeper into Paul’s witness and letters. We will keep asking the same question that has guided us from the beginning: Where do I see Jesus? Read the Word. Understand the Word. See Jesus in the Word. Live the Word. It ALL Points to Jesus.

Congratulations

You completed June. Thirty more days in God’s Word. Thirty more opportunities to see Jesus. Keep reading. Keep following. Keep going.

Soli Deo Gloria — For the Glory of God Alone

About It All Points to Jesus

After two and a half years of reading the Bible every day together, a husband and wife felt the Holy Spirit speak a simple vision: everyone in the world reading the same portion of Scripture on the same day — Old Testament, New Testament, Psalm, and Proverbs — and seeing how it all points to Jesus.

These little monthly volumes are companions for that journey. Read the Word first in your own Bible; then let the summaries, reflections, and questions help you see Christ on every page.

They are written for groups gathering around the table — and just as much for the one who is alone. If you are by yourself today, you still have a friend in Jesus.

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