

Kids at The Mill Summer 2022 Bible Reading Plan

The Pentateuch: The Law of God		
Week 1	Scripture	Summary
Day 1	Genesis 1:26-2:3	Creation and Promises God creates the world, sin enters the world, and God tells us He has a plan to redeem His people from sin. God makes a way for us.
Day 2	Exodus 12:40-42	God's Plan The story of God saving His people. Nothing can stop God's perfect plan.
Day 3	Leviticus 20:22-26	Holiness People are sinful, but God alone is holy. Sacrifice is a part of God's plan. We can understand how important the sacrifice of Jesus was for us.
Day 4	Numbers 14:17-19	Wandering in the Wilderness In Numbers we see the story of God's people and their disobedience after they left Egypt. God remains faithful even when His people are not.
Day 5	Deuteronomy 28: 1-9	Remember the Lord In this book we find the story of God's people as they keep on their journey to the Promised land. Moses tells the people that loving and obeying God is the most important thing.

The History of God's People		
Week 2	Scripture	Summary
Day 1	Joshua 4:21-24	Promises Fulfilled God uses a new leader, Joshua to lead His people. God makes a way, provides, and keeps His promises.
Day 2	Judges 16:28-31	People Disobey God God gave judges, like Samson, to help His people to be faithful, but they were not. But God was still faithful. Judges reminds us that our only hope is in Jesus.
Day 3	Ruth 4:14-17	God is Sovereign A story of a woman named Ruth who trusted God's plan, even when it was very hard. God is faithful and kind. Jesus, our Rescuer, came from the bloodline of Ruth.
Day 4	1 Samuel 17:45-49	Good and Bad Rulers Saul, the first king of Israel, turned selfish. God gave a new king who was good and loved God: David. God reminds us that nothing can replace Him. We will always need God.
Day 5	2 Samuel 7: 25-29	Our Rescuer to Come David loves God, but at different times, he still messes up and chooses sin. God is still faithful to forgive him and promises to bless David by bringing the One True King and Rescuer, Jesus, to earth through David's family.



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Week 3	Scripture	Summary
Day 1	1 Kings 8:20-26	Israel Is Not Faithful Solomon, King David's son, becomes king. He is very wise and obeys God by building a temple for God to dwell in. When Solomon later disobeys and chooses sin, he sets a bad example for the people to follow. But God is still faithful to forgive.
Day 2	1 Kings: 28-30	Israel Disobeys Israel and its other kings keep following bad examples. They create and worship other fake gods. They make other things more important than God and bad things happen because of this. Following and worshiping God is always the best way.
Day 3	2 Kings: 17:7-15	Israel Disobeys Israel thought they knew better than God- they were full of pride. The kings and people disobey God over and over and are punished when people take over their land. God tells the Israelites to keep following Him.
Day 4	1 Chronicles 29:10-13	Remember God's Promise This book repeats a lot of what is in 1 & 2 Kings and 1 & 2 Samuel. David prays, reminding the people to put God first because He is holy and faithful.
Day 5	2 Chronicles 29:27-29, 35-36	Remember God's Work This book repeats a lot of Israel's history, too. King Hezekiah helps the people remember what God has done and leads the people to honor God.

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Week 4	Scripture	Summary
Day 1	Ezra 3:10-11	Coming Back God brought the Israelites back to their land, but they were sad because their city was destroyed. They turn back to God. God gives them hope by providing a way for them to rebuild the altar and worship.
Day 2	Nehemiah 2:17-18	Rebuilding God asks Nehemiah to rebuild the wall around Jerusalem. God is a rebuilder!
Day 3	Nehemiah 8:5-6	Returning to God God made a way for His people to rebuild the wall, but when they returned to God, the most important thing was that God was rebuilding His relationship with them. They worshiped God when they heard His Word being read.
Day 4	Esther 4:14	God Makes Us Brave This is the story of a Jewish girl used by God to save her people from being destroyed. God makes a way for her even when it is hard and she is afraid.
Day 5	Esther 8:15-18	God Makes a Way God saved the Jews from evil through Esther and Mordecai. The people saw how God had made a way for them to live.



The Poetry and Wisdom of God		
Week 5	Scripture	Summary
Day 1	Job 1:21-22, 42:10	God is in Control Many sad and hard things happened to Job, but he kept loving and serving the Lord. Even in the suffering, Job was reminded that we can trust God because He is perfect and just. God restored Job.
Day 2	Psalm 22:22-26	Worship the Lord Psalms is full of poetry and praise. This Psalm points us to Jesus reminding us of His suffering and His victory.
Day 3	Proverbs 3:5-6	Wisdom of God Proverbs is full of wisdom. We know true wisdom comes from God. We live a godly life by following God's wisdom and ways.
Day 4	Ecclesiastes 12:13	God Matters Most The meaning and purpose of our lives is found in God alone. Even when we do not understand what is happening in life, we can trust and have hope in the goodness of God.
Day 5	Song of Solomon 8:6-7	Love God's Way This book is a love story about a man and woman about to get married. It reminds us of God's great and true love for us and that we should love God's way.

The Major Prophets		
Week 6	Scripture	Summary
Day 1	Isaiah 53:3-5	The Messiah is Our Hope Isaiah was a prophet of God. Isaiah gave the message that Israel will be restored if they turn away from their sin and follow God. God used Isaiah to tell the people about a coming Messiah, Jesus, hundreds of years before Jesus was even born.
Day 2	Jeremiah 31:31-34	Called to Obey Jeremiah is a prophet that called Israel to turn away from their sin and obey, but he was ignored by many. God told Jeremiah to share a message about the new covenant (promise) that God had planned for His people. It would come later on through Jesus.
Day 3	Lamentations 3:21-25	God Comforts Jeremiah reminds God's people that He is faithful. Even in sad times because of our sin, God comforts, helps, and restores us.
Day 4	Ezekiel 37:14	We Need to Turn from Sin Ezekiel was a prophet that gave the people God's message to turn from their sin while they lived in a foreign land. Even though he was ignored, he kept preaching a message of hope.
Day 5	Daniel 6:20-23	Faithfulness to God Daniel was a wise prophet taken from his home early in life. Daniel got thrown into a den of lions, but God shut the mouths of the lions and Daniel lived. Daniel obeyed God even when it was difficult.

The Minor Prophets		
Week 7	Scripture	Summary
Day 1	Hosea 6:6 and Joel 2:12-14	God's Love Calls Us to Turn from Sin The prophet Hosea reminds us of God's love even for the unfaithful and the importance of a relationship with God. God uses the prophet Joel to tell the people they need to turn from their disobedience.
Day 2	Amos 5:15 and Obadiah 17	Justice, Mercy & Obedience The prophet Amos reminded Israel they needed God because they had forgotten. The prophet Obadiah shared God's message to people who were prideful and against God.
Day 3	Jonah 2:2 and Micah 5:2-4	Repent and Follow God's Commands The prophet Jonah did not want to obey God and preach to his enemies, but God used 3 days in a big fish to change his mind. The prophet Micah told of the birth of the coming Messiah, Jesus.
Day 4	Nahum 1:3 Habakkuk 3:18 Zephaniah 3:17 Haggai 2:4-5	God is Always in Control Each of these men were prophets. Nahum reminded the people that God loves them enough to discipline them. Habakkuk told them God had a good and perfect plan for them. Zephaniah reminded them of God's faithful love and how He wants them to turn back to Him. Haggai told the people to take action for God and put Him first.
Day 5	Zechariah 1:3 Malachi 3:7	Hope in the Messiah as we Obey Him Zechariah was a prophet who told the people very clearly about the coming Messiah. The prophet Malachi reminded the people that God had always been faithful. Both prophets tell the people they need to turn away from sin and toward God. The Messiah, Jesus, will make a way for them to do this.

The Gospels + The Church is Formed		
Week 8	Scripture	Summary
Day 1	Matthew 1:21-23	Jesus: The Answer to the Promises of the Old Testament Matthew wrote about the life of Jesus because he wanted people to clearly see that Jesus was the Messiah promised by God.
Day 2	Mark 1:16-20	Follow Jesus the Messiah Mark wrote what he and Peter saw. Mark reminds us that we have to believe in Jesus and follow Him with our whole life.
Day 3	Luke 19:1-10	Jesus is Full of Compassion Luke was a doctor. He was not a Jew. He writes about Jesus's life in a different way with details that help us see the compassion of Jesus and His mission.
Day 4	John 20:30-31	Jesus is the Son of God John was a very close disciple of Jesus. He wrote about Jesus's death and resurrection so that we could hear the good news.
Day 5	Acts 2:46-47	God's Church is Formed Luke also wrote Acts. He wrote what happened in the lives of the followers of Jesus after Jesus rose from the dead and returned to heaven. The Holy Spirit came to live in everyone who trusts Jesus for salvation. God used these people to form His church.

The Long Letters of Paul to the Churches		
Week 9	Scripture	Summary
Day 1	Romans 5:1-8	Grace and Freedom Through Jesus Paul wrote this letter to explain the Gospel (gospel means good news) of Jesus to the church in Rome.
Day 2	Romans 12:1-2	Grace and Freedom Through Jesus Paul reminds us that we need to live our lives surrendered to God, so others can also know and understand God's love.
Day 3	1 Corinthians 2:12-13	God's Wisdom and Authority Paul writes a letter to the church at Corinth to remind them to follow God's wisdom and authority.
Day 4	1 Corinthians 13:4-7, 13	God's Wisdom and Authority Paul reminds the church at Corinth to focus on loving others the way that Christ has shown love to them.
Day 5	2 Corinthians 9:6-7	Keep Following Jesus Paul encourages the people at Corinth to keep following Jesus even when it is not easy by repenting of sin, being faithful, being wise, and by giving generously.



The Shorter Letters of Paul to the Churches		
Week 10	Scripture	Summary
Day 1	Galatians 5:22-25	Freedom in Christ Paul writes to Christ-followers in Galatia to remind them that the Holy Spirit working on the inside should show up in the way they live on the outside.
Day 2	Ephesians 4:1-7	New Life in Christ Paul wrote from prison to remind the church at Ephesus that their new life in Christ gives them strength to live differently. They should come together as the church to share the good news of Jesus.
Day 3	Philippians 2:1-4	Joy on the Journey Paul wrote this "letter of joy" to the church at Philippi. He told them to find their joy in Christ and not in what was happening around them. He encouraged them to live and love like Christ.
Day 4	Colossians 3:12-14	Jesus is All We Need Paul wrote to the church at Colossae because they were starting to believe that Jesus was not the only way to have a relationship with God. Paul tells them knowing Jesus changes the way they live from the inside out.
Day 5	1 Thessalonians 4:13-14 2 Thessalonians 1:11-12	We Have Hope in Jesus Paul wrote these letters to the church in Thessalonica. They were being treated harshly because they loved Jesus. They were also confused about what happens after we die and the return of Christ. Paul reminds them to stay strong because of the hope we have in Jesus

Letters from Paul to Pastors and Friends		
Week 11	Scripture	Summary
Day 1	1 Timothy 1:15-16	Be Strong in Your Faith Paul wrote to another believer named Timothy. Paul helped teach and guide Timothy to be a strong follower of Jesus and a minister who would share the Gospel. Paul reminds Timothy that God's mercy and grace are where his strength and courage come from.
Day 2	1 Timothy 4:12-16	Lead and Serve Like Jesus Timothy was a young leader. Paul encouraged Timothy to speak the truth and lead the church even when it was not easy. He wanted Timothy to have a true, strong, bold faith that showed in everything he did.
Day 3	2 Timothy 3:16-17	Trust God and Be Faithful Paul reminds Timothy to be faithful in following Jesus. He tells him to lead well, to believe and teach the truth of the Word of God, and to keep doing the things that will grow his relationship with God.
Day 4	Titus 2:11-14	New Life in Christ Paul taught Titus how to live and grow as a Christ follower. Paul made sure Titus knew how to lead people to live in a way that showed Jesus to the world.
Day 5	Philemon 6-10	Showing Grace and Mercy Paul wrote to his friend Philemon to encourage him to do what is right in the love of Christ by treating a new Christian, Onesimus, with love, grace, and mercy.



Letters from Other Apostles		
Week 12	Scripture	Summary
Day 1	Hebrews 10:23-25	Trust Jesus as Lord Hebrews reminds us of who Jesus is and the sacrifice He made for us. Because of Jesus, we can have the strength to live holy lives even when it is not easy.
Day 2	Hebrews 11:1	Trust Jesus is Lord Hebrews chapter 11 is full of examples of people who lived by faith. These heroes of the faith faced hard things, but still chose to trust and follow God.
Day 3	James 1:22-25	Live a Godly Life This book is written by the half brother of Jesus. James reminds Christians to be wise, to pray, and to follow Jesus's teachings. He reminds them their actions need to match their words.
Day 4	1 Peter 2:9-10	Hope in Suffering Peter, one of Jesus's disciples, wrote 1 & 2 Peter to people who were being treated badly because they loved Jesus. He reminded them to stay strong by remembering their hope and strength is in God alone.
Day 5	2 Peter 3:13-14	Grace and Growth Peter wrote to remind Christians that the grace of Christ gives power to live a holy life no matter what. We must trust Jesus and the truth of God's Word.

Letters from John and Jude, Revelation		
Week 13	Scripture	Summary
Day 1	1 John 5:1-4	God's Love John's first letter focuses on truth, obedience, and the love of Christ.
Day 2	2 John 4-6	Walk in Love John wrote this letter to remind this group Christians to follow God's commands and show love to one another.
Day 3	3 John 11	Walk in Truth John wrote this letter to a Christian friend named Gaius. John reminded his friend that it is important to know the truth of God so they will not be confused by lies. He reminded him that when you truly love God, your actions show it.
Day 4	Jude 20-21	Trust in God This was a letter written by Jude, Jesus' half brother. Jude wrote to remind Christians that they must trust God and keep going, even when others are treating them poorly and teaching things that are false.
Day 5	Revelation 21:1-7	God Has a Future for Us The Apostle John wrote this book near the end of his life when God showed him all of these things about what is to come. This book tells us about the return of Christ and the confidence we can have in His plan for us as Christians. Christ is victorious!

