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## BIBLE READING TIPS & TRICKS



### PREPARE

Decide the day before what time and where you'll read the Bible. Pick an easy translation (NIV, NLT, NASB). Choose a book like Mark or John, or Proverbs.

Start with a small time increment, and create the space ahead of time (nice chair, favorite drink, remove distractions, like your phone).

### WHEN / WHERE

### WHAT'S NEXT

Make a plan for the next day.  
Will you repeat or adjust?  
Set a reminder on your phone or calendar it out.

It's easier when you're not doing it alone!  
Invite a friend to virtually join you, then check in later that day on how it went. Set goals together. Accountability helps!

### WHO?

## WHAT TO DO WITH YOUR TIME

Ask God to help you. Pray for a minute or two before hand. Try this sample prayer:

*"Thank you God for what you have given me.  
I'm concerned about \_\_\_\_\_ today.  
Please show me who you are.  
Please show me how to love better today"*

Ask yourself / journal as you read:

- What does this say?
- What does this say about God?
- What does this say about me?
- What should I do in response to it?

You can book-end your time with another prayer of thanks to God. Know your time was well spent and that He'll continue to grow your faith as you continue to get to know Him better.

## CLICKABLE RESOURCE LINKS

Starting Point Resource: "How do I read the bible?"

Blue Letter Bible (study notes, dig deeper)

What a good Bible reading plan? (Connexus Church)

Reading the Bible (Andy Stanley, 6 minutes)

How to Read the Bible, The Bible Project (YouTube Playlist)