

# 24 Reasons to Read the Bible Daily

## **Read the Bible daily because the Bible...**

1. **...is inspired by God Himself**
  - A. *2 Tim 3:16, "All Scripture is breathed out by God"*
2. **...is The Truth**
  - A. *John 17:17, "Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth."*
3. **...is God's self-revelation**
  - A. *Rom 1:19-20 says there is general revelation of God in nature, but we need specific revelation about who this God is*
4. **...works in real life and faith**
  - A. *2 Tim 3:16-17, "16 All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, 17 that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work."*
  - B. *Col 3:16, "Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom..."*
  - C. *Matt 7:24, "Everyone then who hears these words of mine and does them will be like a wise man who built his house on the rock."*
5. **...is the account of God's cohesive work across all time**
  - A. *66 books, 2K+ years, 3 continents, 40 authors, 3 languages, different literature styles & one cohesive account of God working*
6. **...is God's specific, final revelation of the Gospel**
  - A. *Eph 2:4-5, "But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, 5 even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved"*
7. **... is powerful enough to save a wretch like me!**
  - A. *James 1:21, "...receive with meekness the implanted word, which is able to save your souls."*
  - B. *1 Cor 1:18, "For the word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God."*
  - C. *Rom 1:16, "For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes..."*
  - D. *Rom 10:17, "So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ."*
  - E. *John 20:30-31, "30 Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; 31 but these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name."*
8. **...is necessary for spiritual growth and maturity**
  - A. *Matt 4:4, "Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God."*
  - B. *John 8:31, "So Jesus said to the Jews who had believed him, "If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples..."*
9. **... sanctifies me**
  1. *John 17:17, "Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth."*
10. **...never fails to accomplish what God wants to do in me**
  - A. *Is 55:11, "so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth; it shall not return to me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I purpose, and shall succeed in the thing for which I sent it."*
11. **...is the weapon to overcome temptation, sin, and satan**
  - A. *Matt 4:4, "But he answered, "It is written, ... 7Jesus said to him, "Again it is written... 10Then Jesus said to him, "Be gone, Satan! For it is written..."*
  2. *Eph 6:17, "...sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God..."*

**12. ...is freeing**

1. *John 8:31, "So Jesus said to the Jews who had believed him, "If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, 32 and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free."*

**13. ...is where I find true grace, love, joy, peace, patience...**

- A. *Jer 15:16, "Your words were found, and I ate them, and your words became to me a joy and the delight of my heart"*

**14. ...discerns, reads, and shows me who I really am**

- A. *Heb 4:12, "12 For the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing to the division of soul and of spirit, of joints and of marrow, and discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart."*

**15. ...governs where and how I discern God is leading/ speaking**

- A. *1 John 4:1-6, "1 Beloved, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits to see whether they are from God, for many false prophets have gone out into the world. 2 By this you know the Spirit of God: ... 6 the Spirit of truth and the spirit of error."*

**16. ...is making deposits I can draw on later**

**17. ...helps me pray**

- A. *Psalms, Luke 11:1-4 (The Lord's Prayer)*

**18. ...is living and active**

- A. *Heb 4:12, "12 For the word of God is living and active..."*

**19. ...brings blessing**

- A. *Rev 1:3, "Blessed is the one who reads aloud the words of this prophecy..."*

**20. ...is full of God's promises that I desperately need reminded of**

- A. *2 Cor 1:20, "All of God's promises are yes in Christ Jesus"*

**21. ...is hard to read**

- A. *2 Pt 3:15-16, "15 And count the patience of our Lord as salvation, just as our beloved brother Paul also wrote to you according to the wisdom given him, 16 as he does in all his letters when he speaks in them of these matters. There are some things in them that are hard to understand, which the ignorant and unstable twist to their own destruction, as they do the other Scriptures."*

**22. ...is not just functional, but beautiful**

- A. *Ps 119, "14 In the way of your testimonies I delight as much as in all riches. 15 I will meditate on your precepts and fix my eyes on your ways. 16 I will delight in your statutes; I will not forget your word... 50 This is my comfort in my affliction, that your promise gives me life... 81 My soul longs for your salvation; I hope in your word.... 103 How sweet are your words to my taste, sweeter than honey to my mouth!"*
- B. *Ps 19, "The law of the Lord is perfect, reviving the soul;... 8 the precepts of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart; the commandment of the Lord is pure, enlightening the eyes;... 10 More to be desired are they than gold, even much fine gold; sweeter also than honey and drippings of the honeycomb."*

**23. ... is what Jesus read, knew, & lived, and I want to be like Jesus**

- A. *Matt 4:4, He answered, "It is written,... 7 It is written... 10 It is written"*

**24. ...is the cradle of Christ**

- A. *John 5:39, "You search the Scriptures because you think that in them you have eternal life; and it is they that bear witness about me"*