

Week	Basic Reading		Comments	Optional Reading (for reading the whole Bible in a year)					
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1	Genesis 1	through 12	The Pentateuch also known as The Jewish Torah or The Law Includes: Ancient History Beginnings of Israel Enslavement Redemption Establishment of God's Law	Job 1-3	Poetic Book believed to have been written in same time period as Genesis	1-6	Book I parallel to Genesis	1:1-7; 6 7 8 9	
2	Genesis 13	through 24		Job 4-14		7			
3	Genesis 25	through 36		Job 15-21		8-13			
4	Genesis 37	through 48		Job 22-26		14-18,20			
5	Gen 49-50	Exodus 1-10		Job 27-37		42	Book II Exodus		
6	Exodus 11	through 22		Job 38-42		43-48			
7	Exodus 23	through 35		Lev 1-12	Laws and priestly duties	73	Book III Leviticus	9	
8	Exodus 36-40	Lev*1-6:7; 26		Lev 13-27		74-78			
9	Numbers 1	through 12		Mark 1-10	very direct action oriented	90, 91	Book IV parallel to Numbers	10	
10	Numbers 13	through 24		Mark 11-16		92-95			
11	Numbers 25	through 36		Romans 1-8	Note reference to Pentateuch	96	Book V parallel to Deut.	11	
12	Deut 1	through 12		Romans 9-16		107-109			
13	Deut 13	through 24		Luke 1-12	detailed geneology and descriptions	110-112	12		
14	Deut 25-34	Joshua 1-2		Luke 13-24		113-115			
15	Joshua 3	through 14	Conquest and Settlement of the Promised Land	Hosea 1-14	earlier minor prophets	21,28-30	Book I	13	
16	Josh 15-24	Judges 1-2		Amos 1-9		52-54	Book II		
17	Judges 3	through 14		Mic.1-7 Nah.1-3		79-81	Book III		
18	Jud 15-21	Ruth 1-4	United Kingdom	Jeremiah 1-10	Judgement against Judah	97-99	Book IV	14	
19	1 Sam 1	through 15		Isaiah 1-6			116-118		Book V
20	1 Sam 16	through 31		Jeremiah 11-15	commission of major prophets	24-26	Book I Saul ag. Dav.	15	
21	2 Sam 1	through 12		Jeremiah 16-24		50	Book II David as King		
22	2 Sam 13	through 24		Ezek. 1-6, 8-11		49	Book III Assyrian Crisis		16
23	1 Kings 1	through 12		Ezek. 12-19		82-83			
24	1 Kings 13-22	2 Kings 1-2	Division, resulting in: Destruction of Israel	Ez 20-24		85-86	17		
25	2 Kings 3	through 14		Is.7-12,33,36-39	Fall of Israel	87-88			
26	2 Kings 15	through 25	Exile of Judah	Jer.34-45,52 Ezek.7	Fall of Judah to Babylon	89	18		
27	Jonah 1-4 Amos* 4 Hosea* 2,3,11	Micah* 6 Isaiah 6*, 25, 40,44,52,53,55	Prophecy begun prior to fall of Northern Kingdom of Israel (16 ch. Total)	Jer. 25 Is.13,14, 21,46-48 Zeph1-3 Jer. 50-51	Exile to Babylon; subsequent fall of Babylon	100-102, 104-106		Book IV Exile	
28	Nahum* 1 Jer* 2,15,31,38 Zeph* 3	Ezek*1-4, 37 Habakkuk* 1 Obadiah 1	Prophecy begun prior to the fall of the Southern Kingdom of Judah	Jer.26-29,46-49 30-33 Hab.1-3 Lament. 1-5	Conflicts; future of nations & Judah; regrets	120-122	Book V Restoration	19	
29	Daniel 1	through 12	Starts with exile	Is. 15-20,22-23	Prophecies	123-126			
30	Zechariah 1	through 14	Post exile	Is.28-31,34 Ezek. 25-32	Against Nations	127	and Thanksgiving	20	

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31	Haggai 1-2	Ezra 1-10	Return from Exile Reconstruction of Temple	Is.41-43, 45,35,58-59	Words of Comfort; Cyrus' decree	128-132	Book V Praise and reflection upon return from exile and restoration	21
32	Nehemiah 1	through 13	Reconstruction of walls	Is.60-66 Ezek.33-34	Israel's future	119		
33	Esther 1-10	Mal. 1-4	God's provision; renewed judgement of Israel	Ezek.35-37 Joel 1-3	Future (cont'd); "Day of the Lord"	133-136		
34	Job* 1-3, 38-42		Highlights of the	1Chron. 1-29	History from Priestly perspective; written later than Kings	31-33	Book I	22
35	Ecclesiastes 1	through 12		2Chron. 1-14		34-36		
36	Song of songs	1 through 8		2Chron. 15-28		37-39		
37	Proverbs 1-5*, 31		Poetic	2Chron. 29-36 1&2 Thessalon. 1&2 Peter	End of Chronicles; Paul's 2nd mission And general Epistles	40,41		
38	Psalms 19, 22, 23, 27, 51, 84, 103, 139		Books	1Corinthians 1-16	Paul's 3rd mission	see Basic		24
39	Matthew 1	through 14	Written for Jewish audience with many OT references	Is. 32, 49-57	Messianic Prophecy	55-57	Book II	25
40	Matthew 15	through 28		2Cor. 1-13	Pauls 3rd mission	58-60		
41	Acts 1	through 14	History of Early Church	Col. 1-4 Phil. 1-4 Philemon 1	1st Roman imprisonment	61-63		26
42	Acts 15	through 28		1Timothy, Titus	4th mission	64-66		
43	Hebrews 1	through 13	Relates NT to OT	2Timothy, Jude	2nd Rom.imprison. Jude (gen.Ep.)	67-72		
44	James 1-5	1John 1-5	Faith vs. Works and fellowship	2John, 3John John 1-12	Letters and Gospel of John	137,138	Book V	27
45	Galatians 1-6 (1st Mission)	Ephesians 1-6 (1st Rom.Imp.)	contrasting churches	John 13-21		140,141		
46	Revelation 1	through 12	Endtimes Prophecies	Isaiah 24-27 Ezek. 40-48	Endtimes prophecies	142-144	Book V & climactic praise	28
47	Revelation 13	through 22		Ezek. 38,39		145-150		

*Denotes books or chapters which have been covered in the "additional reading" section and may be skipped if already completed

The Basic reading covers the "storyline" of the Bible helps the reader to grasp the overall context. The Optional readings build upon this foundation. The major prophets are organized topically within the Optional reading to coincide with relevant events in the Basic reading. This schedule allows for 5 "rest" weeks during the course of a year. It is suggested that the history be reviewed for a week at the conclusion of Nehemiah. This will refresh the reader's memory and help with retention as the year progresses. The other weeks may be used to catch up or to allow for holidays, vacations, etc. The reader is urged to pick a translation which "reads" easily, and to pray for God's assistance before reading. Don't be discouraged if you get behind! Pick up where you left off and keep going! May God Bless you in your reading and study.