# **Resources for Personal Bible Reading**

#### Online Resources

#### Wordlive

Daily bible reading, emailed to you every day. Free but can donate

A free, online guide from Scripture Union, helping you meet with God devotionally – through the Bible. Each day uses a new Bible passage with fresh resources to refresh your quiet time with God. There are two distinct approaches: Classic and Lectio. Also available as a daily email and through social media.

https://www.wordlive.org/

### YouVersion

Bible on your phone:

https://www.youversion.com/

With Youversion, you can download different versions of the bible for off line use on your phone.

They also do several bible reading plans from 3 days to the whole bible in a year.

Also they do a bible app for kids which tells bible stories in an interactive way. Great for small kids/grandkids.

https://www.youversion.com/the-bible-app-for-kids/

# **Bible Reading Notes**

Selection of Paper based Bible Reading Notes available, many available electronically as well - see selection on

https://www.eden.co.uk/daily-bible-study-notes/

Or at <a href="https://www.amazon.co.uk/">https://www.amazon.co.uk/</a> Search for bible reading notes

Christian World Revival (CWR) <a href="http://www.cwr.org.uk/daily-bible-reading-notes">http://www.cwr.org.uk/daily-bible-reading-notes</a>

Scripture Union https://content.scriptureunion.org.uk/bible-reading-guides

Bible Reading Fellowship (BRF) <a href="https://www.brf.org.uk/bible-reading">https://www.brf.org.uk/bible-reading</a>

Church House Publishing <a href="https://www.chpublishing.co.uk/features/reflections">https://www.chpublishing.co.uk/features/reflections</a>

Bible Society https://www.biblesociety.org.uk/explore-the-bible/daily-reflection/

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Some of these come in 3 monthly paperback copies, around £3 to £5 (plus postage if you don't go to a Christian Bookshop). CWR are 2 monthly, BRF are 4 monthly

These include:

### Daily Bread (Scripture Union) These are available at Church

Daily Bread is the Bible reading guide that aims to help you hear from God as you read the Bible.

### **Encounter With God (Scripture Union)**

*Encounter with God* is Scripture Union's daily Bible reading guide designed to lead you to a deeper understanding about what God is saying to you and to his world today.

### Every Day with Jesus (CWR)

This daily Bible reading publication is one of the most popular daily Bible study tools in the world with over half a million readers an issue.

# Pens (for 3-6's) (CWR)

Ideal for children aged 3-6. Each title covers a 30 day period. Every day a short Bible reading is brought to life with the help of the Pens characters. A related question and prayer apply this to daily life.

# Topz (for 7-11's) (CWR)

*Topz* is a popular bimonthly devotional for 7-11-year-olds. The Topz Gang teach children biblical truths through word games, puzzles, riddles, cartoons, competitions, simple prayers and daily Bible readings.

# YP's (For 11-14's) (CWR)

*YP's* is a dynamic bimonthly devotional for 11-15-year-olds. Each issue is packed with cool graphics, special features and suggestions on how to get involved, plus daily Bible readings and commentary for 60 days.

# Mettle (For 14-18's) (CWR)

Designed for 14-18-year-olds, Mettle is published every four months and tackles Bible themes as well as the 'hot potato' issues that young people face today.

### Inspiring Women Every Day (CWR for Women)

Join thousands of women around the world who open their Bibles daily with *Inspiring Women Every Day*, now about to enter its tenth year of publication.

### Life Every Day (CWR by Jeff Lucas)

These life application Bible reading notes are written by Jeff Lucas, Spring Harvest speaker and well-known author.

### The Manual (CWR for Men)

For men, by men, these 60 days of notes are a no-nonsense guide to a man's walk with God. Written by Carl Beech, Head of Christian Vision for Men (CVM)

### New Daylight (Bible Reading Fellowship)

New Daylight provides commentary on short passages by a variety of stimulating contributors from a range of church backgrounds. These are sometimes thematic and sometimes work through a longer part of scripture. Ideal for those who prefer a prompt for further thought rather than detailed commentary!

### Guidelines (Bible Reading Fellowship)

**Guidelines** is a unique Bible reading resource that offers four months of in-depth study, drawing on insights of current scholarship. Its intention is to enable all its readers to interpret and apply biblical text with confidence in today's world, while helping to equip church leaders as they meet the challenges of mission and disciple-building. Instead of the usual dated daily readings, **Guidelines** provides weekly units, broken into six sections, plus an introduction giving context for the passage, and a final section of points for thought and prayer. On any day you can read as many or as few sections as you wish. You will need to use a Bible alongside Guidelines.

# The Upper Room (Bible Reading Fellowship)

All the meditations are written by readers of The Upper Room, who seek to share the insights of their faith with others, thus providing a personal take on each passage and a different style each day. Each daily meditation includes a recommended Bible reading and a key verse (you will need a Bible), reflection and prayer, and questions for small group study are also included for each week.

# Quiet Spaces (Bible Reading Fellowship)

Taking you into quiet spaces to meet with God...Nine different themes in each edition... taking you deeper. Bible readings, prayer, meditation, historical reflection, creative

activity, liturgy, insights from different Christian traditions... taking you wider. Creative ways into each theme, developing your spirituality... taking you further

### Day by Day with God (Bible Reading Fellowship) (For Women)

Each day's reading in **Day by Day with God** provides a suggested Bible reading, with the key verse written out in full, and a comment written by a regular team of contributors. The Bible text is explained and applied especially for women, by women who have themselves found the Bible a source of strength and inspiration for life.

A suggested daily prayer or meditation is included, and that plus the further readings to explore will help you connect the daily notes with your own spiritual journey as you seek to follow Jesus more closely.

# Bible Reflections for Older People (Bible Reading Fellowship) 4 Monthly

Written by older people for older people, these reflections are designed to bring hope, assurance and sustenance, reminding the reader of the presence and love of God. In each issue are 40 Bible reflections and prayer suggestions to use and revisit as often as is needed. In the central section, Debbie Thrower of BRF's The Gift of Years ministry offers interviews and ideas to encourage and inspire.

Most of these are available as apps for iOS and Android, Kindle eBooks and daily email, PDF downloads, Giant print and audio and braille.

# Individual on line bible readings

# **Bible Society**

Daily online reflections from the Bible Society:

https://www.biblesociety.org.uk/explore-the-bible/daily-reflection/

7 top tips for reading the Bible

https://www.biblesociety.org.uk/explore-the-bible/articles-about-the-bible/7-top-tips-forreading-the-bible/

# Bible Reading Notes From BRF (Bible Reading Fellowship)

https://www.biblereadingnotes.org.uk/ or https://www.brf.org.uk/bible-reading

Through our Bible reading notes we seek to support and encourage regular and thoughtful reading of the Bible. We publish four series of Bible reading notes to offer variety to our readers: New Daylight, Guidelines, Day by Day with God and The Upper Room. As well as being available in print, different series of notes are available as apps for iOS and Android, Kindle eBooks and daily email, PDF downloads, Giant print and audio and braille - offering a wide range of formats so people can choose what suits them best.

#### CWR - Christian World Revival

#### http://www.cwr.org.uk/daily-bible-reading-notes

A selection of Bible reading notes for all ages (see above for more details)

### **Scripture Union**

#### https://content.scriptureunion.org.uk/bible-reading-guides

Everyone needs a little help when reading the Bible. Scripture Union's Bible reading guides have helpful notes on different Bible passages to help you understand what you're reading and relate it to modern day issues and events.

See above for more details

### **Church House Publishing**

Reflections for Daily Prayer provides a reflection on one of the Bible readings for the day, full lectionary details for Morning Prayer and a Collect for the day.

# https://www.chpublishing.co.uk/features/reflections

What people say:

Reflections for Daily Prayer is a kind of 'Daily Bread' for Anglicans - a great companion for those who like to follow the weekday lectionary readings for morning prayer. It provides a page for each day with the lectionary, a collect and a reflection on one of the set passages. The contributors come from a wide range of traditions but each aims to help the reader understand the passage and to apply it to their own journey of discipleship. It is available as an annual book (starting on Advent Sunday) or as an app from Church House Publishing. There is a companion volume covering all the Psalms.

Archdeacon Mark Ireland

# E100 Bible Challenge

#### http://www.e100challenge.org.uk/

5 readings a week which encompass the main themes of the Bible and give the big picture in 20 weeks. 50 readings from the Old Testament and 50 from the New

Testament. Can be used for whole Churches or individuals. The reading plan can be downloaded freely, notes and a group study guide are also available.

#### Amazon UK

Search bible reading notes on Amazon

https://www.amazon.co.uk/

# **Bible Study Websites:**

Usually you have to pay for books and commentaries in electronic format

### Logos and Faithlife

https://www.logos.com/

Great for bible study and sermon preparation. Can build up books, commentaries and bible versions

https://faithlife.com/ (This is linked to logos, above)

An online resource which allows people to explore different versions of bibles and commentaries, linked with <u>logos.com</u>, and try different reading plans; it is also possible to set up a closed group (for instance, within a church congregation) to allow people to share their insights or questions, ask for prayers amongst the community and much more

It is available on website, or app for any phone or tablet or computer.

#### Olive Tree

#### https://www.olivetree.com/

Studying the Bible shouldn't be hard. Bible by Olive Tree equips you with easy-to-use Bible study tools and resources so you can stop skimming Scripture and get answers—for free.

### **Bible Gateway**

<u>https://www.biblegateway.com/</u> (Great for looking up verses to copy/paste into documents)

#### Tecarta

https://tecartabible.com/

Tecarta Bible is a contemporary Study Bible app for your spiritual journey — with over 30 translations and 88 Study Bibles, Commentaries, Devotionals, and Audio Bibles! Search for a word or phrase across multiple translations at the same time. Explore smart search results. See your synced bookmarks and highlights. Tecarta Bible is speedy, engaging, and fun to use. Tecarta Bible helps you stay connected to God with Verse-of-the-Day and Daily Devotionals, which you can easily share with family and friends via Facebook, Twitter, and Email.

# **Local Bible Bookshops**

#### **Buxton**

Chapter and Verse Buxton

2-4 Market Street, Buxton SK17 6JY

tel: 01298 26843

http://www.chapterandverse.org.uk/products.html

### Hanley, Stoke on Trent

Methodist Book Centre Hanley

Bemersley House, Gitana St, Stoke-on-Trent ST1 1DY

Phone: 01782 212146 https://www.crfl.co.uk/

# Birmingham

**CLC Birmingham** 

7 Carrs Ln, Birmingham B4 7SX

Phone: 0121 643 2991

https://clcbookshops.com/shops/birmingham

#### Matlock

Cornerstone Bookshop Matlock

2 Dale Rd, Matlock DE4 3LT **Phone:** 01629 584296

https://www.cornerstonebooks.co.uk/

# **Derby Cathedral**

Opposite the Cathedral

Derby Cathedral Centre 18-19 Iron Gate, Derby. DE1 3GP

PHONE: 01332 227660

http://derbycathedral.org/cathedral/cathedral-bookshop.html