



Bible Reading Plan

WEEK 12
JULY 6 - 12



Using The Bible Reading Plan

The mark of a growing disciple is the discipline to self-feed. During this unprecedented time, the Lord is redirecting His people to pause and rediscover Him and His ways afresh. This is the heart behind our Bible Reading Plan - that we, as a church will delight the Father when we are growing in our love for Him and allowing His Spirit to move us in obeying His Word in our lives.

The Bible Reading Plan comprises a daily passage with reflection questions to guide you in meditation. You can also journal what God's Spirit is prompting you to do in applying the Word. We pray that as you carve out unhurried time to encounter God, you will revitalise your spiritual life and encourage others to experience likewise!



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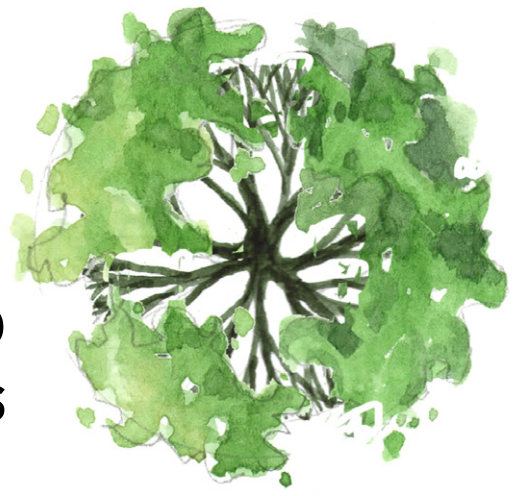
This Week's Focus

This week, we approach the final parts of Solomon's reflections in Proverbs. Then we continue our exploration into the history of the divided kingdoms of Judah and Israel. We uncover one common theme when we examine the various kings – if they walk in God's ways, all will be well for them. If they forsake the Lord, they end up in a place of destruction and judgment. May we learn from their examples and walk in God's ways at all times!

July 6

MONDAY

"Repent at my rebuke! Then I will pour out my thoughts to you, I will make known to you my teachings." – **Proverbs 1:23 (NIV)**



Today's Meditation

Proverbs 1:8-33 ([Read](#))

Reflection Questions

Proverbs 1 warns about interacting with sinful men. From verse 19, what is their motivation, and what happens to those who associate with them?

What happens to those who ignore the call of wisdom? What happens to those who heed that call?

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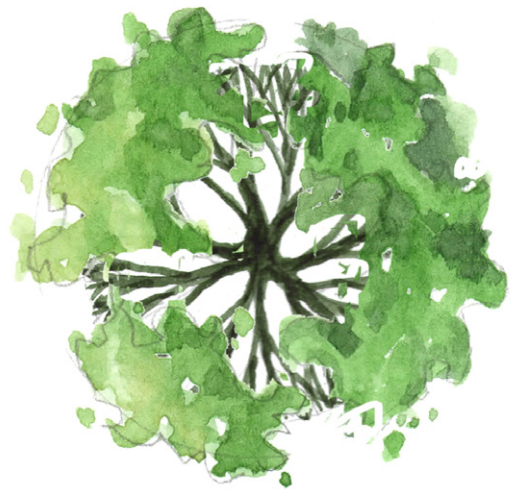
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July 7

TUESDAY

"For the LORD gives wisdom; from his mouth come knowledge and understanding..." – **Proverbs 2:6 (ESV)**



Today's Meditation

Proverbs 2 ([Read](#))

Reflection Questions

What is promised to those who seek wisdom?

What does wisdom save us from? What is the outcome of following wisdom?

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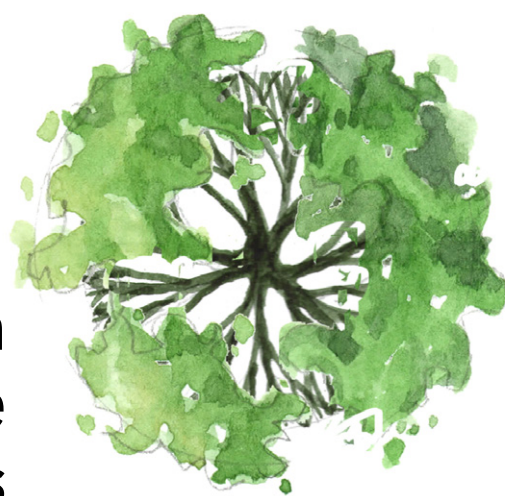
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July 8

WEDNESDAY

"Trust in the LORD with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He will make straight your paths." – **Proverbs 3:5-6 (ESV)**



Today's Meditation

Proverbs 3 ([Read](#))

Reflection Questions

What does "do not be wise in your own eyes" (v 7) mean for you?
What are the rewards of fearing the Lord (v 8)?

We are advised to trust in God (vv 5-6) and also to give Him our first fruits in (vv 9-10). From verses 11-12, what else can a believer expect? How are we to respond to it?

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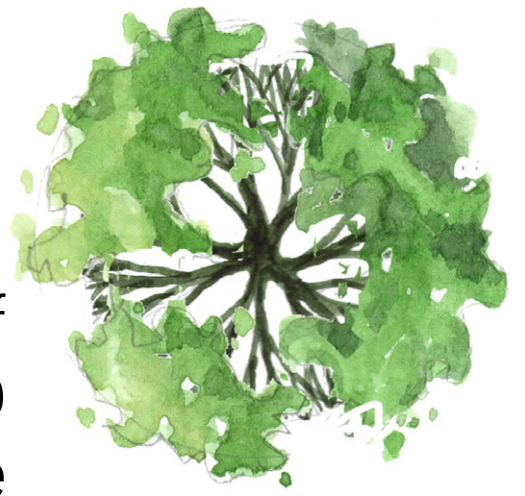
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July 9

THURSDAY

"So the king did not listen to the people, for this turn of events was from the LORD, to fulfill the word the LORD had spoken to Jeroboam son of Nebat through Ahijah the Shilonite." – **1 Kings 12:15 (NIV)**



Today's Meditation

1 Kings 12 ([Read](#))

Reflection Questions

What were the advices of the elders and the young men to Rehoboam in response to the people's worries? Which did he choose? How can we learn from Rehoboam's example when making decisions?

What did Jeroboam do as a result of his insecurity and fear (vv 26-29)? Reflect on a time when you chose to depend on your wisdom rather than God's Word. Were there similarities between yourself and Jeroboam? How can that be avoided in the future?

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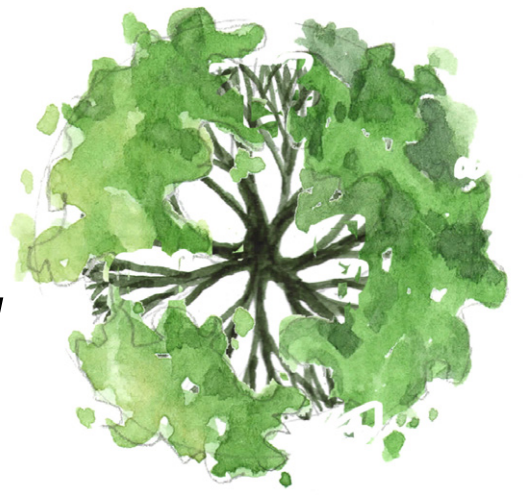
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July 10

FRIDAY

"Even after this, Jeroboam did not change his evil ways..."
– **1 Kings 13:33 (NIV)**



Today's Meditation

1 Kings 13 ([Read](#))

Reflection Questions

Why did the man of God listen to the old prophet and not God? What could the man of God have done to discern what the old prophet shared with him? What can we learn from this episode concerning the disobedience of God's instructions?

What was Jeroboam's posture when he heard God's words from the prophet (vv 1-6)? What about his subsequent heart posture in verses 33-34? Why do we so easily return to our sinful ways despite having encountered the reality of God?

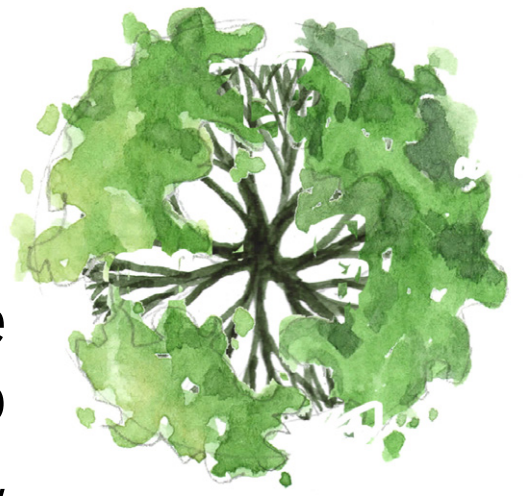
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July 11

SATURDAY



"I tore the kingdom away from the house of David and gave it to you, but you have not been like my servant David, who kept My commands and followed Me with all his heart, doing only what was right in My eyes." - **1 Kings 14:8 (NIV)**

Today's Meditation

1 Kings 14 ([Read](#))

Reflection Questions

Jeroboam was not from the line of David but was chosen to lead 10 of the 12 tribes. What was God's evaluation of Jeroboam's reign as communicated through the prophet Ahijah? What finally happened to him and his family?

How was Judah under the reign of Rehoboam? What happened to Rehoboam and the Kingdom of Judah? What lessons can we learn about God from His dealings with Judah during the reign of Rehoboam?

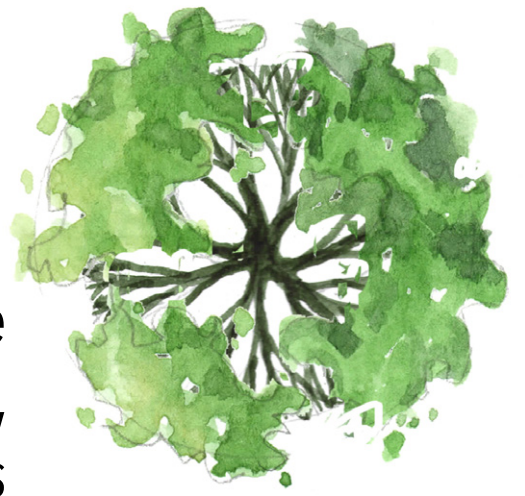
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July 12

SUNDAY



"Nevertheless, for David's sake the LORD his God gave him a lamp in Jerusalem, setting up his son after him, and establishing Jerusalem, because David did what was right in the eyes of the LORD and did not turn aside from anything that He commanded him all the days of his life, except in the matter of Uriah the Hittite." - **1 Kings 15:4-5 (ESV)**

Today's Meditation

1 Kings 15:1-32 ([Read](#))

Reflection Questions

What were the actions taken by Asa in verses 11-14? How did the Bible describe his heart? Following the example of Asa, what "reforms" do you need to make in your life so that your life is right before the Lord?

Did the kings of Israel - Nadab and Baasha do right in the eyes of the Lord? When reading about these kings, what key lesson can we draw from their examples? How can that be applied to your life?

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Additional Resources

Article: A Mother Called Wisdom by Jack Hayford
(<https://rlc.sg/3gbcekW>)

Article: Lessons from Solomon - Idolatry Is Insidious by Salt & Light
(<https://rlc.sg/3gittkb>)

Article: Godly vs. Worldly Wisdom by Jennifer Sum, Teaching Humble Hearts
(<https://rlc.sg/31Bj1jL>)

Article: Why was Israel divided into the Southern Kingdom and Northern Kingdom? by GotQuestions.org
(<https://rlc.sg/2YW4YDT>)

Video: The Kingdom is Israel Divides Bible Animation (1 Kings 11:26-12:33)
by Cartoon Works
(<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vjtRRmQt-5k>)

Song: Wisdom Song by Laura Woodley Osman
(<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tMnIVe4-QUY>)

Song: The Reason For The World by Matthew West
(<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8cVqH3jrB0w>)



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