

A MENU OF RESOURCES FOR PERSONAL BIBLE STUDY

Online resources:



Word Live

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.

What people say:

Wordlive is a great resource for daily Bible reading. It gives you a picture, a passage, a comment, pointers for prayer and a song to listen to. You can listen to the podcast for a change. If you have more time there is a 'Going Deeper' section with more background information and space for comments from users too. Mark and I use it most days for our prayer time together, and we enjoy the flexibility of being able to access it from a tablet or smartphone and the variety of different contributors.

Gill Ireland

www.wordlive.org/

Faithlife.com



An online resource which allows people to explore different versions of bibles and commentaries, linked with logos.com, 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.

<https://faithlifebible.com/>



E100 Bible Challenge

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.

<http://www.e100challenge.org.uk/>

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-for-reading-the-bible/>

Paper resources:



Bible Reading Notes

Daily Bible reading notes available include:

Bible Reading Fellowship - [New Daylight](#), [Guidelines](#), [Day by Day with God](#) and [The Upper Room](#). Also available as [apps for iOS and Android](#), [Kindle eBooks](#) and [daily email](#), [PDF downloads](#), [Giant print](#) and [audio and braille](#).

What people say:

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!

Mandy Stanton

Scripture Union – [Daily Bread](#) (also available as a tablet or smartphone app)



CWR (Christian World Revival) have a number of daily Bible Study notes, including [Every Day With Jesus](#) and [Cover to Cover](#).

What people say:

Every Day with Jesus is a really helpful resource for Bible Reading and Study. I have used it for years! It is a two month series based on a theme. Each day there is a main passage of Scripture with a commentary about it and two or three other passages to read and reflect on that are also related to that particular day's main passage. Sometimes I go back to older editions for insight when a God is leading me in a particular direction.

Angie Letchford



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

International Bible Reading Association – [Fresh from the Word](#): notes, prayers and suggestions for how to take action from a range of writers from around the world, including biblical scholars and top theologians. creative writers, church leaders and activists for peace and justice



The Good Book Company – [Explore](#), a quarterly publication aiming to make the reader think for

themselves about what the Bible says and how it applies today. Boxes encourage you to take 'Time out' to reflect, to apply or to pray.

Books:

TOZER for the CHRISTIAN LEADER – a 365 day devotional by A W Tozer (Moody Publishing)

What people say:

I love this book! There is a main passage of scripture to focus on and a commentary. The commentaries are often deep and challenging driving me to pray and search out my own heart before God. There is a page for everyday of the year and each month is themed e.g. January is about personal life with God, April is about Prayer

Angie Letchford

Believe, Max Lucado – based on a 32 week sermon series at Oak Hills Church in the USA, which considers ten key beliefs of the Christian faith, ten key practices of a Jesus-follower, and ten key virtues that characterize someone who is becoming more like Jesus..

<http://oakhillschurch.com/believebooks/>

And more frivolously:

The world's smallest Bible commentary

Australian writer and theologian, Ben Myers, started tweeting summaries of each book of the Bible. What emerged was 'the world's smallest' Bible commentary. It's poetic, informative and refreshing. Enjoy...

<https://www.biblesociety.org.uk/explore-the-bible/articles-about-the-bible/a-bible-commentary-fit-for-twitter/>