

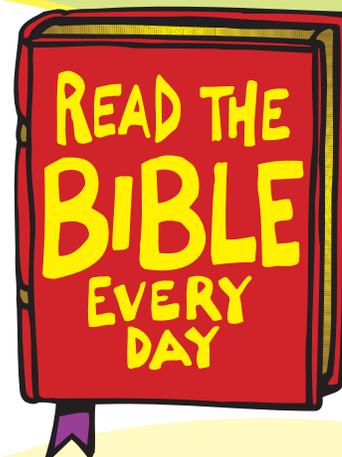
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- **SUNDAY**—Read Psalm 119:101-105.
How can obeying God's Word help us walk through life?
- **MONDAY**—Read 2 Samuel 22:31.
How do we know that God's words are true?
- **TUESDAY**—Read 2 Timothy 2:15; Proverbs 16:3.
Trying to get through life without knowing what the Bible says is like trying to play a game without reading the rules. As a family, thank God for His Word.
- **WEDNESDAY**—Read 2 Timothy 3:16, 17.
How can reading God's Word help us?
- **THURSDAY**—Read 1 Thessalonians 2:13;
John 14:23, 24.
Knowing God's Word can help us make godly choices.
Pray and ask God to help you obey His Word.
- **FRIDAY**—Psalm 119:18; Deuteronomy 11:18-20.
When can we read and study God's Word in our home?
- **SATURDAY**—Read Psalms 1:1-3; 119:14-16.
We can be joyful and content when we know and obey God's Word.



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In the beginning was the Word. Who was the Word and what did He do?
- **MONDAY**—Read Psalm 104:24, 25.
How do these verses praise God?
- **TUESDAY**—Read Psalm 104:19-23.
Could all the things mentioned in these verses happen by accident the way some people want us to believe?
- **WEDNESDAY**—Read Psalm 104:5, 6.
Let each family member tell God what he or she thinks is God's most incredible creation.
- **THURSDAY**— Read Psalm 8:3-5.
How do you feel knowing that you are such a special part of God's creation?
- **FRIDAY**—Read Psalm 100.
As a family, tell God what an awesome world He made.
- **SATURDAY**—Read Psalm 33:6-8.
How can we worship God every day and thank Him for all He has given us?



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What is one of the first commands in the Bible?
- **MONDAY**—Read Matthew 22:34-40.
What did Jesus say are the two greatest commandments?
- **TUESDAY**—Read Genesis 3:1-13.
Adam and Eve both blamed someone else for their sin, but each one chose to disobey. Do we ever blame others when we have done wrong? What should we do?
- **WEDNESDAY**—Read 1 Corinthians 10:13.
Sometimes our friends want us to do things that go against God's teachings. How does God help us obey Him?
- **THURSDAY**—Read 1 Timothy 4:12, 15, 16.
How can we help our friends do what is right?
- **FRIDAY**—Read Romans 7:18-25.
Have you ever tried to be really good, but you messed up anyway? Let's read how confused Paul felt about having the same problem.
- **SATURDAY**—Read 1 Timothy 6:11, 12; 2 Timothy 2:22.
What can we do that will help us obey God's laws?



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God made a promise to Abraham. How did God keep that promise?
- **MONDAY**—Read Hebrews 11:11, 12; 1 John 4:16.
God loved and cared for Abraham. Do you think He does the same for us? Why?
- **TUESDAY**—Read Acts 2:38, 39.
What does God promise us?
- **WEDNESDAY**—Read 1 John 1:9.
What should we do to receive God's promise to forgive our sins?
- **THURSDAY**—Read Psalm 145:3-7, 13.
What can you tell about God because you know He keeps His promises?
- **FRIDAY**—Read 1 Peter 5:7.
What does God want us to do when we are anxious or afraid?
- **SATURDAY**—Read Philippians 4:6, 7.
What do we worry about? God wants us to let Him take care of our problems. What will He give us in return?



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- **SUNDAY**—Read Hebrews 11:17-19.
God asked Abraham to sacrifice his own son Isaac. Why was Abraham willing to do that?
- **MONDAY**—Read Hebrews 11:1-3, 6.
What is faith? Why do we need faith?
- **TUESDAY**—Read James 2:14-18, 21-23.
Faith is more than just believing in God and Jesus. What else is needed?
- **WEDNESDAY**—Read Luke 6:43-45.
Do the things we listen to and watch at home tell our friends that we believe in God?
- **THURSDAY**—Read James 1:2-4.
Sometimes our faith is given a test. Why do you think that happens?
- **FRIDAY**—Read 1 Peter 5:8, 9.
How can we stand firm in our faith in God?
- **SATURDAY**—Read Hebrews 12:1, 2; Revelation 2:10.
What will be our reward for faithfulness?



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Who brought together the first family?
- **MONDAY**—Read Ephesians 6:1-3.
What is the first commandment with a promise?
- **TUESDAY**—Read 1 John 3:11, 12, 17, 18; 4:21.
How does God want us to treat each other in our family?
- **WEDNESDAY**—Read Genesis 25:29-34; 27:36, 37.
Jacob tricked his brother Esau two times. Have you ever tricked a brother, sister, or friend? Did you ask for forgiveness?
- **THURSDAY**—Read Genesis 27:41-45.
What happened to Jacob and Esau after the second trick?
- **FRIDAY**—Read Genesis 32:3-12; 33:1-4.
How did Esau respond to Jacob's message? Could you forgive someone who has tricked you?
- **SATURDAY**—Read Romans 12:9, 10, 16-18, 20, 21.
How should we treat others at all times?



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How can obeying God's Word help us?
- **MONDAY**—Read John 14:21.
How can we show Jesus that we love Him?
- **TUESDAY**—Read Proverbs 3:5, 6.
Why should we trust the Lord?
- **WEDNESDAY**—Read Ephesians 4:29–5:2.
What is one way you can choose to imitate God this week?
- **THURSDAY**—Read Psalm 121.
What promises from God are given in this psalm?
- **FRIDAY**—Read Philippians 4:13.
In what situation might you need God's strength this week?
- **SATURDAY**—Read Matthew 4:1-11.
What Scriptures have you memorized that help you obey God?

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Are you ever surprised at what God can use? God used clay pots, torches, and trumpets to destroy a whole army.
- **MONDAY**—Read Exodus 1:22-2:10.
Moses' sister was just a young girl and God used her. How can God use you?
- **TUESDAY**—Read 2 Kings 11:21-12:2.
Do you think you are too young to do anything important for God? Read about Joash!
- **WEDNESDAY**—Read 1 Chronicles 25:6-8;
1 Corinthians 12:4-6.
Can you sing? play with children? read? draw? play ball? These are all talents that God can use.
- **THURSDAY**—Read Psalm 24:1, 2.
How can we remind people that the earth is God's?
- **FRIDAY**—Read Jeremiah 29:11.
God wants to use each of us. Do you know that He already has plans for us?
- **SATURDAY**—Read Proverbs 20:11.
What do your actions say about you?



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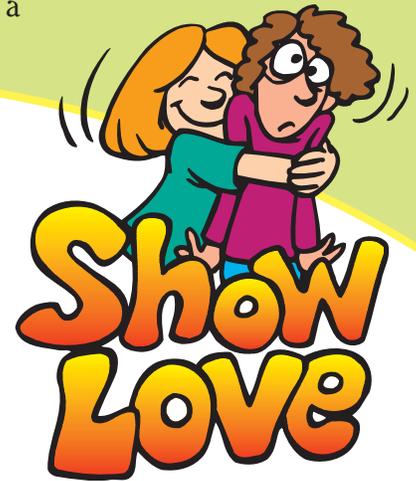
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Who established the authorities that exist today?
- **MONDAY**—Read Romans 13:5, 6.
God knew we needed laws to live by. Why should we obey the laws of our country?
- **TUESDAY**—Read 1 Peter 2:13-17.
Do you think of your teachers and principal as leaders? How do we show respect to people who have authority over us?
- **WEDNESDAY**—Read 1 Timothy 2:1-4.
Have you ever prayed for the president of our country? What kinds of decisions could God help the president make?
- **THURSDAY**—Read Titus 3:1, 2.
It is easy to criticize people who are leaders. What does God say about this?
- **FRIDAY**—Read Daniel 3:28.
Think of a time when it might not be right for us to obey our leaders. Pray that God will give us the courage to stand up for what is right when we need to do so.
- **SATURDAY**—Read Acts 4:18-20; 5:27-29; 1 Peter 3:15.
What could we do if someone told us that we were not supposed to talk about Jesus?



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Do you think our family is ready and willing to do work for God? What could we do?
- **MONDAY**—Read Ecclesiastes 4:9, 10.
How can we make a job easier for someone else in our family this week?
- **TUESDAY**—Read Mark 12:28-31.
What did Jesus say are the two most important commandments?
- **WEDNESDAY**—Read Luke 10:25-37.
Is there a new person or family in our neighborhood? What can we do to be good neighbors?
- **THURSDAY**—Read Matthew 5:43-47.
It is easy to be friendly to people who are nice. God wants us to love the people who are not lovable. Name some ways we can do that.
- **FRIDAY**—Read Philippians 2:14, 15.
Do we serve others without grumbling? How can we improve in this area?
- **SATURDAY**—Read Matthew 25:34-40.
When we serve others, we are serving God. Choose a way we can serve someone this week.



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God is not pleased when we disobey. What happened to the Israelites when they disobeyed Him?
- **MONDAY**—Read Psalm 104:33, 34.
God deserves our praise! How can our family praise Him?
- **TUESDAY**—Read Romans 8:5-8.
What are we watching on TV? What kind of music do we listen to? Do you think our choices please God?
- **WEDNESDAY**—Read Colossians 3:20.
Do you think God is pleased with the way you obey your parents? Is there anything you need to change?
- **THURSDAY**—Read Hebrews 13:16.
What good thing can our family do for someone this week?
- **FRIDAY**—Read Genesis 5:23, 24; Hebrews 11:5, 6.
Do you think our time with God is pleasing to Him? How can we improve the time we spend with Him?
- **SATURDAY**—Read Colossians 1:10.
What kind of good work are we doing for God? Are we pleasing God in what we do?



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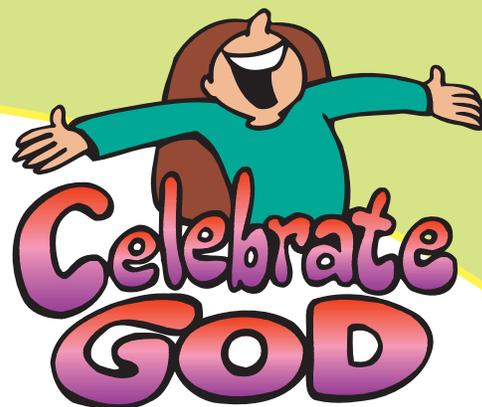
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How closely do we pay attention to God's words?
- **MONDAY**—Read Psalm 119:9-11.
What can we do to live pure lives?
- **TUESDAY**—Read Titus 2:11-14.
Self-control is important! We need to do what is right while we wait for Jesus to come back.
- **WEDNESDAY**—Read Psalm 1:1, 2; 119:1-3.
According to Psalm 1:1, when are we blessed?
Do we delight in God's Word?
- **THURSDAY**—Read Philippians 3:12-14.
We should accept God's forgiveness and forget what we have done wrong. We should keep our eyes on the prize of receiving God's promises!
- **FRIDAY**—Read Proverbs 3:11, 12.
Do you get angry when you are disciplined? Why do you think parents correct their children? Does God discipline us? Why?
- **SATURDAY**—Read Psalm 86:5-7.
Sometimes a friend might stay angry when you hurt him. God doesn't hold grudges. Thank Him!



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Do you like it when someone praises you? God likes to be praised too. Praise Him!
- **MONDAY**—Read Psalm 19:1-6.
God made this whole world for us. Let's praise Him for the sun that shines!
- **TUESDAY**—Read Psalm 106:1.
Sometimes people get angry at each other and stop loving each other. Will God ever stop loving us?
- **WEDNESDAY**—Read Acts 16:22-25.
What are some things we can do to praise God even in bad times?
- **THURSDAY**—Read 1 Peter 2:9.
We belong to God. How does that make you feel?
- **FRIDAY**—Read Psalm 33:1-5.
Why should we praise God?
- **SATURDAY**—Read Matthew 5:13-16.
What good deeds can we do that might make other people want to praise God?



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