

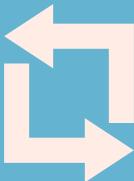
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TURNING THE CORNER

RENEWING YOUR
MIND WITH
THE GOSPEL



DAILY BIBLE READING JOURNAL



THEREFORE, IF ANYONE IS IN CHRIST, HE IS A NEW CREATION. THE OLD HAS PASSED AWAY; BEHOLD, THE NEW HAS COME. ALL THIS IS FROM GOD, WHO THROUGH CHRIST RECONCILED US TO HIMSELF [...]

2 CORINTHIANS 5:17-18

IF THEN YOU HAVE BEEN RAISED WITH CHRIST, SEEK THE THINGS THAT ARE ABOVE, WHERE CHRIST IS, SEATED AT THE RIGHT HAND OF GOD. SET YOUR MINDS ON THINGS THAT ARE ABOVE, NOT ON THINGS THAT ARE ON EARTH. FOR YOU HAVE DIED, AND YOUR LIFE IS HIDDEN WITH CHRIST IN GOD.

COLOSSIANS 3:1-3

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THIS GUIDE
BELONGS TO:

WELCOME!

Every follower of Jesus knows what it's like to feel stuck. We know what's true about God, and we want to live out of that truth — but sometimes we don't know how to get there. We see the fruit in our lives — our emotions, actions and reactions — but we're not sure how to trace them back to what we believe about God, or how to move from unbelief to belief.

This series, *Turning the Corner*, is about that crucial moment — the place where we turn from the old self to the new, from false belief to faith, from self-reliance to Christ-dependence. It's about how real change happens when the gospel renews our minds and reshapes our hearts.

Scripture calls us to “take every thought captive to obey Christ” (2 Corinthians 10:5) and to “be renewed in the spirit of our minds” (Ephesians 4:23). But how does that actually happen? What does it look like to turn the corner from old patterns of thinking into the freedom and peace of Christ?

To help us see how the gospel renews both heart and mind, we'll read through two letters that bring this truth to life: 2 Corinthians and Colossians.

In 2 Corinthians, we watch Paul renew his mind in real time. He's suffering deeply — misunderstood, criticized, and pressed beyond his limits — yet we see him turning back to the truth of the gospel. Again and again, Paul preaches truth to his own heart: that God's power is made perfect in weakness, that what is unseen is eternal, that the life of Jesus is being revealed in his frailty. We'll learn from Paul to put off despair, pride, and fear and to put on the truth of who God is and what He's doing.

In Colossians, we'll see how the gospel confronts the "elementary principles of the world." Paul shows us that new life comes through Christ and nothing else. Nothing can or should be added to him. Instead, as we learn to see that our lives are hidden in him, transformation follows.

As you read, pay attention to how Paul thinks – how he applies the truth to himself and to his readers. The goal isn't just more information, but the slow, steady renewal that comes when the truth of the gospel takes root in our hearts and begins to bear fruit in our lives.

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INTRODUCING SOAP

Whether you've read the Bible for years or this is your very first time opening it up for yourself, this journal is designed to help you meet with God personally in his word. To help you do that, we're using a simple and proven approach called SOAP. It's an easy-to-follow guide to help you slow down, listen, and interact personally with God in his Word. Here's how it works:

S – SCRIPTURE

Write out a short verse, phrase or theme that stood out to you in your reading. Make a note about why you think that phrase or verse is impacting you today. Writing it down helps you slow down and focus.

O – OBSERVATION

What observations can you make about the passage? This could be notes about the people in the passage, places, or what happens. It's also helpful to write down questions about anything that's initially confusing or that you don't understand. Then you can reflect on, explore, or examine those questions more deeply. If you aren't sure what to write, here are a few questions that are always helpful to ask when you're reading the Bible:

- What am I learning about God – his character, actions and glory?
- What is God doing in this passage?
- What am I learning about myself and humanity? What are we like apart from God's grace?
- Who are we as a result of what God has done in Jesus? What is true about me now?

A - APPLICATION

What is God speaking to me about today? Is there a command to obey? A promise to trust? A warning to heed? An encouragement to receive? What will I need from God to respond in faith today?

P - PRAYER

Talk to God about what you've read. Ask for His help, thank him, or simply respond to what he's shown you.

Don't worry about getting it perfect —just show up each day, read and respond to God. You don't have to be a Bible expert. Just let God meet you here.

HOW THIS READING PLAN WORKS

If this is the first time that you've attempted to read the Bible on a regular basis, this is our challenge: set aside 20 minutes every day. Find a place where you can:

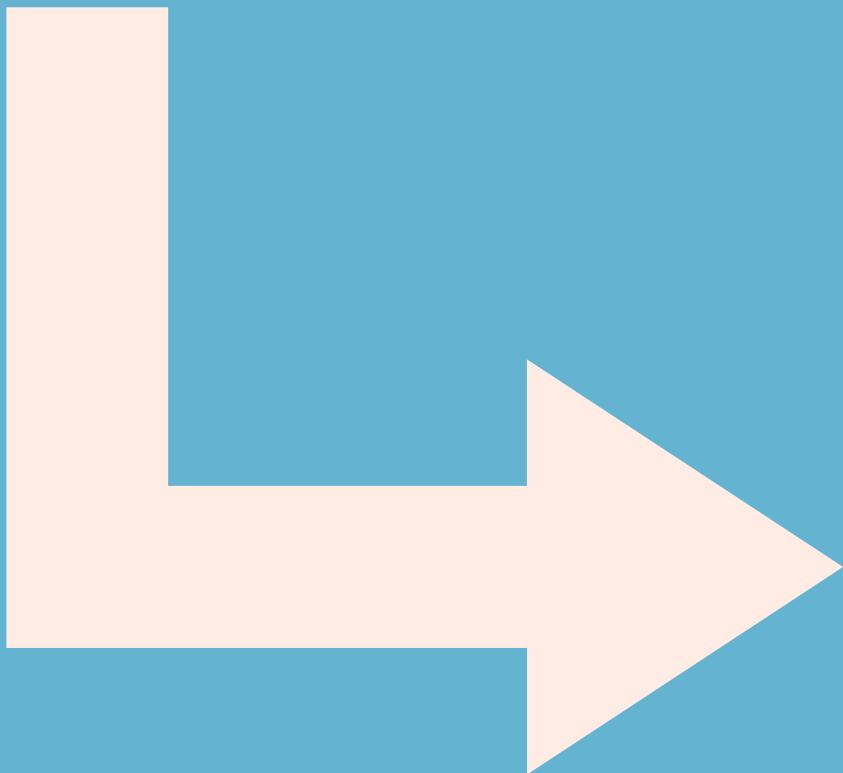
- Sit down and not be disturbed.
- Put your phone and smart watch in another room.
- Have a Bible, your SOAP Journal and pen in hand.

Ideally, this is at a time in the day when you're reasonably "fresh" and awake. Get that first cup of coffee going, but don't open your newsfeed or phone yet. Let this be the first thing on your agenda. If your kids are old enough to understand, let them know that you need 20 minutes to spend time with the Lord and that this is important to you. This is a great opportunity to set an example that may encourage their own love for God's word.

We've created this journal with a daily (Monday-Saturday) reading. On Sundays, there will be a note page for the Sunday sermon. If you miss a day, don't sweat it. Don't worry about "catching up." This isn't a homework assignment or something to check off your to-do list. Meeting with God in his word is a gift - it's about a daily encounter with God. If you miss a day (or ten!), just pick up the reading for that day.

You'll notice that on Sundays, there's no reading plan - just a page for taking notes during the sermon.

Finally, the best way to get the most out of this experience is to be sure that you have an opportunity to talk with a friend about it every week. This is typically the difference between people who “make it” and stick with a reading plan, and those who don’t. If you’re in a Missional Community or Small Group, bring your SOAP Journals and compare notes. If you’re not, find a friend today, set a weekly meeting time and agree to get together during this reading challenge. You won’t regret it.



A NOTE ON 2 CORINTHIANS

2 Corinthians is one of the richest and most personal letters in the New Testament. Few of Paul's writings draw us so deeply into his own experience of following Jesus. Here we don't just hear Paul teach the gospel — we watch him live it out. He's wounded, misunderstood, and under pressure from every side, yet he continually renews his mind with the truth of who God is. It's one of the most honest portraits in Scripture of what it looks like to "turn the corner" in real time — to take every thought captive and find hope in the midst of suffering.

At the same time, 2 Corinthians is also one of Paul's most complex letters. It's emotional, layered, and sometimes hard to follow. Remember that when you read a letter in the New Testament, you're hearing only one side of the conversation. In this case, Paul is responding not just to one letter from the Corinthians, but to a series of interactions over time — including painful misunderstandings and a season of tension between Paul and the church he loves.

Because of that, a little background will go a long way in helping you understand what's happening beneath the surface.



Before you dive in, we strongly recommend watching The Bible Project's overview of 2 Corinthians.



It's also worth keeping a good Study Bible nearby for context and notes along the way. We recommend the ESV Study Bible.



As you read, don't rush. Let Paul's story draw you in. Watch as he moves from despair to hope, from self-reliance to dependence, from weakness to strength in Christ. 2 Corinthians gives us a front-row seat to a mind being renewed and a heart being made new by the gospel.

TIPS FOR STUDYING 2 CORINTHIANS

1. READ WITH EMPATHY.

Paul's tone in this letter is deeply personal. He's not writing abstract theology — he's opening his heart. As you read, notice how he holds on to hope in the midst of pain.

2. WATCH HOW PAUL "TURNS THE CORNER."

This letter is full of moments where Paul takes his eyes off his suffering and fixes them on Christ. Pay attention! Each one shows what it means to renew the mind with truth.

3. FOLLOW THE CONTRASTS.

Paul loves to use contrast to teach gospel logic: life through death, comfort through suffering, strength through weakness, riches through poverty. These paradoxes are windows into the heart of the gospel. Mark them as you read — they'll show you how Paul's thinking is being renewed.

5. DON'T RUSH THE HARD SECTIONS.

Chapters 10–13 (Paul's defense of his ministry) can feel dense or disconnected. Take your time. These aren't detours — they show how the gospel transforms practical life and leadership. Ask, "What truth about God is Paul holding onto here?"

A NOTE ON **COLOSSIANS**

If 2 Corinthians shows us what it looks like to renew our minds in the middle of weakness and suffering, Colossians shows us how the gospel *confronts the way the world thinks*.

The believers in Colossae were surrounded by a host of competing ideas about spiritual reality. The church in Colossae had mixed the gospel of Jesus with all kinds of Greek, Jewish and pagan ideas. They were being drawn to worship angels, observe special holy days as a means of making themselves righteous, and trusting in other religious practices. Paul calls these “the elementary principles of the world” — the basic patterns of thought that shape life apart from Christ. They show up in every culture and every age, and they’re still with us today.

Into this world of confused spirituality, Paul lifts our eyes to Jesus. He proclaims that Christ is supreme over all creation — the visible image of the invisible God, the One in whom all things hold together. And not only is He Lord of creation; He is Lord of a new creation. In Him, we’ve been raised to new life. In Him, our old self has died. In Him, our true identity and freedom are found.

As you read Colossians, pay attention to how the gospel dismantles worldly thinking and renews the mind with truth. Notice how Paul keeps turning us from shadow to substance, from earthly wisdom to the mystery now revealed: “*Christ in you, the hope of glory.*”

Colossians invites us to think differently — to “set our minds on things above” and to let the truth about Jesus to reshape every part of life.



For a great introduction to the background and context of Colossians check out this video from The Bible Project



TIPS FOR STUDYING COLOSSIANS

1. START WITH A BIG VIEW OF JESUS.

Everything in Colossians flows from Paul’s breathtaking vision of Christ in chapter 1. He is before all things, above all things, and holds all things together. Let this vision shape how you read the rest of the letter — every command, warning, and encouragement grows out of who Jesus is.

2. NOTICE THE CLASH OF WORLDVIEWS.

Paul contrasts the gospel with what he calls the “elementary principles of the world” — the default assumptions of the world. As you read, ask: What false ideas about life and freedom does Paul expose? and Where do I see those same patterns in myself?

3. TRACE THE “PUT OFF / PUT ON” RHYTHM.

Colossians shows us what it looks like to “turn the corner” in daily life. We put off the old self — patterns of thought and behavior rooted in unbelief — and put on the new self, renewed in the knowledge of Christ. This is not self-improvement; it’s transformation through union with Him.

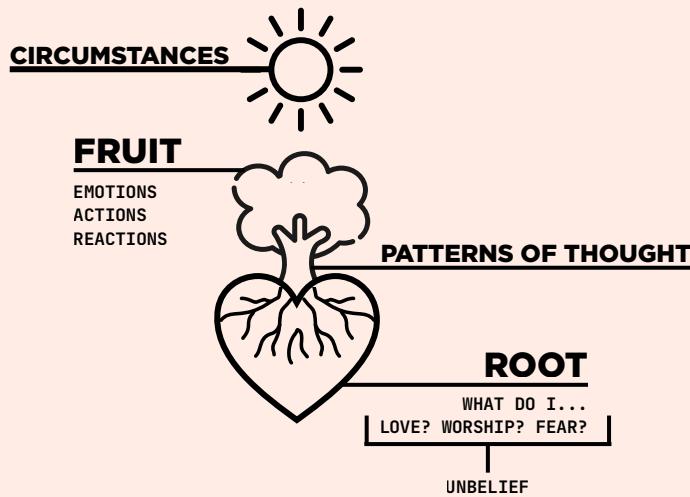
4. LET THE GOSPEL FILL YOUR IMAGINATION.

Paul’s vision for renewal goes beyond doctrine — it’s meant to shape how we see everything: work, relationships, speech, and worship. Don’t just analyze the text; imagine what your world would look like if the gospel truly defined reality for you.

A BRIEF INTRODUCTION TO THE **FRUIT TO ROOT PARADIGM**

At Faith Community Church, we've spent time exploring a simple but powerful tool called the Fruit to Root Diagram. You may remember it from our series Why Do I Do What I Do? (2024) and Mixed Emotions (2025). This tool helps us understand how real change happens in the Christian life — not just at the level of behavior or emotion, but all the way down to what we believe about God in our hearts.

FRUIT TO ROOT PARADIGM



The Fruit to Root diagram starts by helping us look honestly at the fruit — what's visible in our lives. These are the outward expressions of what's happening inside: our words, actions, habits, emotions, and even the thoughts that shape our daily responses. Jesus said, “Each tree is known by its fruit” (Luke 6:44). The fruit is what people can see — but it's not the whole story.

The next step is to trace that fruit downward to its root. What we believe in our hearts — about God, ourselves, and the world — gives rise to the fruit in our lives. Our emotions, actions and reaction often point to misplaced beliefs: maybe we believe God isn't really in control, or that His love has limits, or that our worth depends on performance.

This process of tracing fruit to root is what we call repentance. It's not just confessing behavior — it's uncovering the unbelief underneath it. And that's where transformation begins.

But repentance is only half the journey. The gospel invites us to turn the corner — to move from unbelief to belief, from the lies we've been living out of to the truth of who God is. As we “renew our minds” (Romans 12:2) and “take every thought captive to obey Christ” (2 Corinthians 10:5), the Spirit plants us again in what is true.

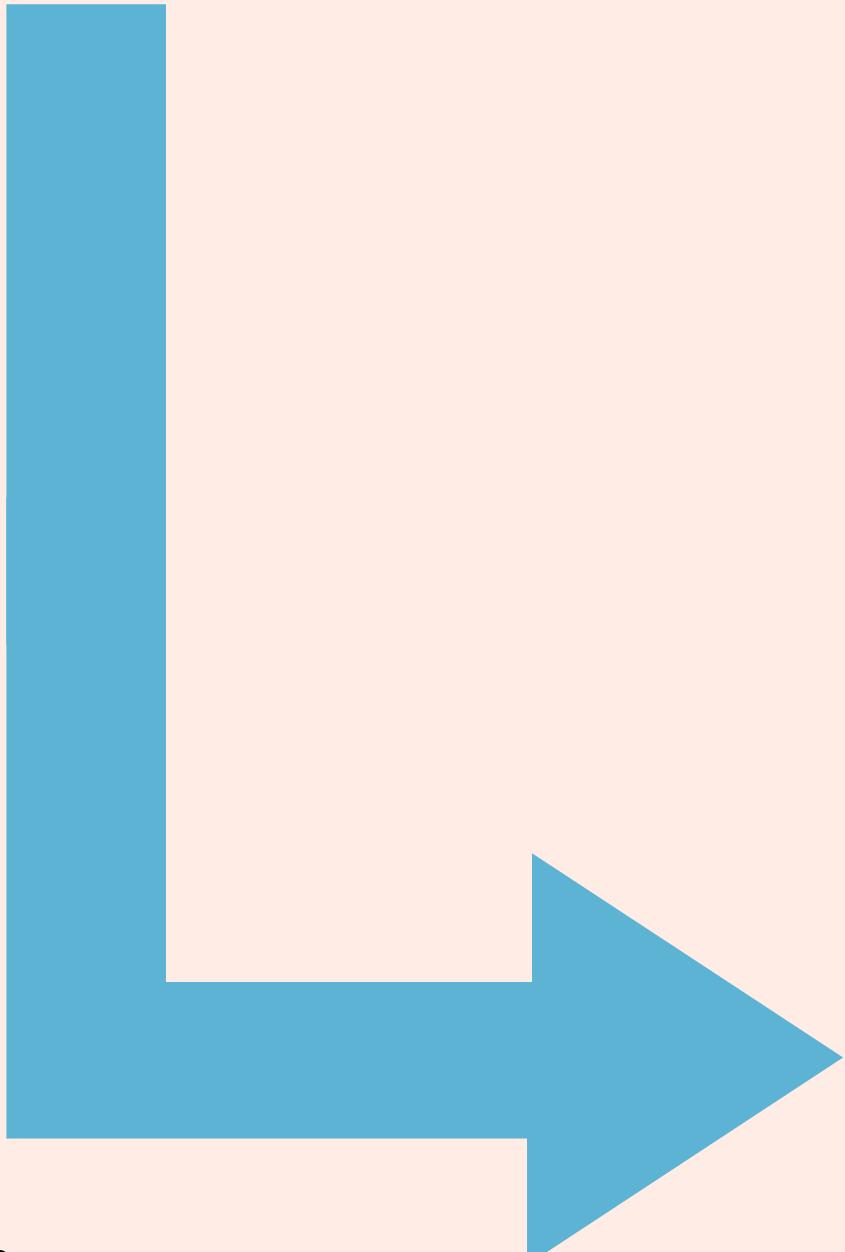
When we trace the gospel back up the other side of the diagram — from Root to Fruit — we see the new life that grows when we believe the truth about God: that He is gracious, glorious and good. The fruit of the Spirit begins to take shape — love, joy, peace, patience, and more.

The Fruit to Root tool gives us a way to slow down, to pay attention to what our hearts are producing, and to invite God's truth into the deepest places of unbelief. It's not about behavior management — it's about gospel renewal from the inside out.

In Turning the Corner, we'll build on what we've learned before — moving from emotions to thoughts. We'll ask:

- How do we recognize lies we've been believing in?
- How do we “turn the corner” toward truth?
- What does it look like to think with a renewed mind and live out of the gospel's reality?

As you read, pray, and reflect, keep this diagram close. It's not a formula, but a pathway — a visual reminder of how the gospel transforms us: from the root of belief to the fruit of a changed life.



WEEK 1

SERMON NOTES

SUNDAY, JANUARY 04, 2026

LET THE WORD OF CHRIST DWELL IN YOU RICHLY [...]
COLOSSIANS 3:16

SPEAKER: _____

SCRIPTURE: _____

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MAIN POINTS OR OUTLINE

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OBSERVATIONS

WHAT STOOD OUT IN THE READING OR TEACHING? WHAT WORDS, PHRASES, OR IDEAS CAUGHT YOUR ATTENTION?

GOSPEL CONNECTION

HOW DOES THIS TEACHING POINT TO JESUS? HOW AM I BEING ENCOURAGED TO LOVE AND TRUST CHRIST RATHER THAN MYSELF OR SOMETHING ELSE? HOW DOES THE GOSPEL BRING HOPE, CORRECTION, OR RENEWAL?

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MONDAY, JANUARY 05, 2026

PRAY

THANK YOU GOD, FOR THIS TIME AND FOR YOUR WORD. HELP ME TO UNDERSTAND MY OWN HEART AS I READ ABOUT PAUL'S. TEACH ME ABOUT MY OWN FAITH AS I READ ABOUT PAUL'S.

READ

2 CORINTHIANS 1:1-11

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WEEK 1

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TUESDAY, JANUARY 06, 2026

PRAY

THANK YOU GOD, FOR THIS TIME AND FOR YOUR WORD. HELP ME TO UNDERSTAND MY OWN HEART AS I READ ABOUT PAUL'S. TEACH ME ABOUT MY OWN FAITH AS I READ ABOUT PAUL'S.

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2 CORINTHIANS 1:12-24

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WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 07, 2026

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THURSDAY, JANUARY 08, 2026

PRAY

THANK YOU GOD, FOR THIS TIME AND FOR YOUR WORD. HELP ME TO UNDERSTAND MY OWN HEART AS I READ ABOUT PAUL'S. TEACH ME ABOUT MY OWN FAITH AS I READ ABOUT PAUL'S.

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2 CORINTHIANS 2:12-17

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FRIDAY, JANUARY 09, 2026

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SATURDAY, JANUARY 10, 2026

PRAY

THANK YOU GOD, FOR THIS TIME AND FOR YOUR WORD. HELP ME TO UNDERSTAND MY OWN HEART AS I READ ABOUT PAUL'S. TEACH ME ABOUT MY OWN FAITH AS I READ ABOUT PAUL'S.

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2 CORINTHIANS 4:1-6

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TUESDAY, JANUARY 13, 2026

PRAY

THANK YOU GOD, FOR THIS TIME AND FOR YOUR WORD. HELP ME TO UNDERSTAND MY OWN HEART AS I READ ABOUT PAUL'S. TEACH ME ABOUT MY OWN FAITH AS I READ ABOUT PAUL'S.

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2 CORINTHIANS 4:7-18

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WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 14, 2026

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2 CORINTHIANS 5:1-10

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THURSDAY, JANUARY 15, 2026

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2 CORINTHIANS 5:11-21

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2 CORINTHIANS 6:1-13

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SATURDAY, JANUARY 17, 2026

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2 CORINTHIANS 7:1-12

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TUESDAY, JANUARY 20, 2026

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2 CORINTHIANS 10:7-18

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WEEK 3

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THURSDAY, JANUARY 22, 2026

PRAY

THANK YOU GOD, FOR THIS TIME AND FOR YOUR WORD. HELP ME TO UNDERSTAND MY OWN HEART AS I READ ABOUT PAUL'S. TEACH ME ABOUT MY OWN FAITH AS I READ ABOUT PAUL'S.

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2 CORINTHIANS 11:1-15

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WEEK 3

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FRIDAY, JANUARY 23, 2026

PRAY

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2 CORINTHIANS 11:16-33

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WEEK 3

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SATURDAY, JANUARY 24, 2026

PRAY

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2 CORINTHIANS 12:1-10

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MY RESPONSE

WHAT IS THE HOLY SPIRIT ASKING ME TO BELIEVE, REPENT OF, OR DO IN RESPONSE TO THIS MESSAGE?

SMALL GROUP/FAMILY DISCUSSION SUGGESTIONS

HEAD — WHAT DID YOU LEARN?

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HEART — WHAT MOVED OR CHALLENGED YOU?

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HANDS — WHAT WILL YOU DO?

- WHAT SPECIFIC ACTION OR NEXT STEP WILL YOU TAKE IN RESPONSE THIS WEEK?
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WEEK 4

DAY 1

MONDAY, JANUARY 26, 2026

PRAY

THANK YOU GOD, FOR THIS TIME AND FOR YOUR WORD. HELP ME TO UNDERSTAND MY OWN HEART AS I READ ABOUT PAUL'S. TEACH ME ABOUT MY OWN FAITH AS I READ ABOUT PAUL'S.

READ

COLOSSIANS 1:1-14

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WEEK 4

DAY 2

TUESDAY, JANUARY 27, 2026

PRAY

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READ

COLOSSIANS 1:15-23

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WEEK 4

DAY 3

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 28, 2026

PRAY

THANK YOU GOD, FOR THIS TIME AND FOR YOUR WORD. HELP ME TO UNDERSTAND MY OWN HEART AS I READ ABOUT PAUL'S. TEACH ME ABOUT MY OWN FAITH AS I READ ABOUT PAUL'S.

READ

COLOSSIANS 1:24-29

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WEEK 4

DAY 4

THURSDAY, JANUARY 29, 2026

PRAY

THANK YOU GOD, FOR THIS TIME AND FOR YOUR WORD. HELP ME TO UNDERSTAND MY OWN HEART AS I READ ABOUT PAUL'S. TEACH ME ABOUT MY OWN FAITH AS I READ ABOUT PAUL'S.

READ

COLOSSIANS 2:1-5

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WEEK 4

DAY 5

FRIDAY, JANUARY 30, 2026

PRAY

THANK YOU GOD, FOR THIS TIME AND FOR YOUR WORD. HELP ME TO UNDERSTAND MY OWN HEART AS I READ ABOUT PAUL'S. TEACH ME ABOUT MY OWN FAITH AS I READ ABOUT PAUL'S.

READ

COLOSSIANS 2:6-15

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WEEK 4

DAY 6

SATURDAY, JANUARY 31, 2026

PRAY

THANK YOU GOD, FOR THIS TIME AND FOR YOUR WORD. HELP ME TO UNDERSTAND MY OWN HEART AS I READ ABOUT PAUL'S. TEACH ME ABOUT MY OWN FAITH AS I READ ABOUT PAUL'S.

READ

COLOSSIANS 2:16-23

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WEEK 5

SERMON NOTES

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 01, 2026

LET THE WORD OF CHRIST DWELL IN YOU RICHLY [...]
COLOSSIANS 3:16

SPEAKER: _____

SCRIPTURE: _____

EACH SUNDAY, WE GATHER TO HEAR FROM GOD'S WORD AND RESPOND IN FAITH. THIS GUIDE IS MEANT TO HELP YOU ENGAGE WITH WHAT THE SPIRIT IS SAYING THROUGH HIS WORD.

MAIN POINTS OR OUTLINE

WHAT ARE THE MAIN IDEAS FROM TODAY'S READING AND MESSAGE?

OBSERVATIONS

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WEEK 5

DAY 1

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 02, 2026

PRAY

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READ

COLOSSIANS 3:1-4

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WEEK 5

DAY 2

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 03, 2026

PRAY

THANK YOU GOD, FOR THIS TIME AND FOR YOUR WORD. HELP ME TO UNDERSTAND MY OWN HEART AS I READ ABOUT PAUL'S. TEACH ME ABOUT MY OWN FAITH AS I READ ABOUT PAUL'S.

READ

COLOSSIANS 3:5-17

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WEEK 5

DAY 3

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 04, 2026

PRAY

THANK YOU GOD, FOR THIS TIME AND FOR YOUR WORD. HELP ME TO UNDERSTAND MY OWN HEART AS I READ ABOUT PAUL'S. TEACH ME ABOUT MY OWN FAITH AS I READ ABOUT PAUL'S.

READ

COLOSSIANS 3:18-4:1

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WEEK 5

DAY 4

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 05, 2026

PRAY

THANK YOU GOD, FOR THIS TIME AND FOR YOUR WORD. HELP ME TO UNDERSTAND MY OWN HEART AS I READ ABOUT PAUL'S. TEACH ME ABOUT MY OWN FAITH AS I READ ABOUT PAUL'S.

READ

COLOSSIANS 4:2-6

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WEEK 5

DAY 5

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 06, 2026

PRAY

THANK YOU GOD, FOR THIS TIME AND FOR YOUR WORD. HELP ME TO UNDERSTAND MY OWN HEART AS I READ ABOUT PAUL'S. TEACH ME ABOUT MY OWN FAITH AS I READ ABOUT PAUL'S.

READ

COLOSSIANS 4:7-18

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WEEK 5

DAY 6

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 07, 2026

PRAY

THANK YOU GOD, FOR THIS TIME AND FOR YOUR WORD. HELP ME TO UNDERSTAND MY OWN HEART AS I READ ABOUT PAUL'S. TEACH ME ABOUT MY OWN FAITH AS I READ ABOUT PAUL'S.

READ

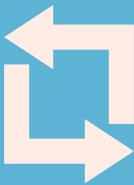
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FOR THOUGH WE WALK IN THE FLESH, WE ARE NOT WAGING WAR ACCORDING TO THE FLESH. FOR THE WEAPONS OF OUR WARFARE ARE NOT OF THE FLESH BUT HAVE DIVINE POWER TO DESTROY STRONGHOLDS. WE DESTROY ARGUMENTS AND EVERY LOFTY OPINION RAISED AGAINST THE KNOWLEDGE OF GOD, AND TAKE EVERY THOUGHT CAPTIVE TO OBEY CHRIST, BEING READY TO PUNISH EVERY DISOBEDIENCE, WHEN YOUR OBEDIENCE IS COMPLETE.

2 CORINTHIANS 10:3-6

SO TO KEEP ME FROM BECOMING CONCEITED BECAUSE OF THE SURPASSING GREATNESS OF THE REVELATIONS, A THORN WAS GIVEN ME IN THE FLESH, A MESSENGER OF SATAN TO HARASS ME, TO KEEP ME FROM BECOMING CONCEITED. THREE TIMES I PLEADED WITH THE LORD ABOUT THIS, THAT IT SHOULD LEAVE ME. BUT HE SAID TO ME, "MY GRACE IS SUFFICIENT FOR YOU, FOR MY POWER IS MADE PERFECT IN WEAKNESS." THEREFORE I WILL BOAST ALL THE MORE GLADLY OF MY WEAKNESSES, SO THAT THE POWER OF CHRIST MAY REST UPON ME. FOR THE SAKE OF CHRIST, THEN, I AM CONTENT WITH WEAKNESSES, INSULTS, HARDSHIPS, PERSECUTIONS, AND CALAMITIES. FOR WHEN I AM WEAK, THEN I AM STRONG.

2 CORINTHIANS 12:7-10



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