



# Bible Reading Plan - Week 1

## Day 1

### *Romans 7*

Romans 7 captures Paul's raw honesty about the struggle with sin: *"I do not do the good I want to do, but the evil I do not want to do—this I keep on doing."* Many believers know this tension—we believe in Jesus, but we still wrestle with our old nature. It can feel like being stuck halfway, caught between belief and surrender. But Paul's honesty points us toward something deeper: we cannot overcome sin in our own strength. To move from believer to follower is to go *all in*—to admit our weakness and rely fully on Jesus. It's not about willpower but Spirit-power. Following Jesus means surrendering every part of our lives, trusting Him to do what we cannot. Belief acknowledges who Jesus is; following means letting Him lead and transform us.

- Where in your life do you feel the tension Paul describes—the gap between what you believe and how you live?
- What would it look like for you to go "all in" and surrender that area fully to Jesus?
- How can depending on the Spirit instead of your own strength help you live as a follower, not just a believer?
- Ask God to reveal where you're holding back and to give you the courage to surrender fully, moving from belief to wholehearted following in every area of your life.

## Day 2

### *John 8*

In John 8, Jesus declares, *“If you hold to my teaching, you are really my disciples. Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free”* (vv. 31–32). Many believed in Him that day, but Jesus made it clear—belief was just the beginning. True discipleship means going all in: holding to His teaching, living in His truth, and walking in His freedom. Later in the chapter, Jesus confronts the crowd with hard truths, and some who “believed” in Him turned against Him. Following Jesus isn’t about convenience—it’s about surrender. To move from believer to follower is to embrace His Word, even when it’s uncomfortable, and to trust that His truth leads to life. Belief acknowledges Jesus as Savior; following means submitting to Him as Lord. That’s where real freedom is found.

- Am I simply believing in Jesus, or am I holding to His teaching and living it out daily?
- What truth from Jesus feels hard for me to accept, and what keeps me from going all in with it?
- How does obedience to Jesus’ teaching bring freedom, rather than restriction, in my life?
- Ask Jesus to help you move beyond belief into obedience, holding tightly to His teaching so that you can experience the true freedom He promises.

## Day 3

### *John 10*

In John 10, Jesus describes Himself as the Good Shepherd who knows His sheep by name. The sheep don’t just *hear* His voice—they *follow* Him, trusting that He leads them to life. Believers may acknowledge the Shepherd, but followers stay close enough to recognize and respond to His voice. Jesus contrasts this with thieves and strangers whose voices bring confusion and destruction. To be all in is to tune out competing voices and trust Him completely, even when the path isn’t clear. He reminds us that He lays down His life for His sheep—our security and direction flow from His sacrifice, not our strength. Moving from believer to follower means living with that trust daily, walking step by step with the Shepherd who gave everything for us.

- How do I recognize the difference between Jesus’ voice and the “stranger’s” voices in my life?
- Am I content just believing in the Good Shepherd, or am I actively following His lead each day?
- What would it look like for me to go “all in” by trusting Jesus’ guidance in one specific area of my life?
- Ask Jesus to help you recognize His voice more clearly and give you the courage to follow Him fully, shutting out every competing voice.

## Day 4

### *Luke 19*

Zacchaeus climbed a tree just to *see* Jesus, but he left that encounter completely transformed. At first, he was curious—like many who believe Jesus is worth looking into. But when Jesus called him by name and went to his house, Zacchaeus went all in. He didn’t just say he believed—he demonstrated it by giving away half his possessions and repaying anyone he had cheated. Belief sparked interest, but following produced action. Jesus responded, *“Today salvation has come to this house.”* Going all in with Jesus means moving from curiosity to surrender, from words to transformation. True followers don’t just acknowledge Jesus—they let Him change their priorities, their values, and their lives.

- Am I curious about Jesus, or am I willing to let Him into every part of my life, like Zacchaeus did?
- What evidence in my life shows that I'm going "all in" with Jesus, not just believing from a distance?
- What specific area of my life might need to change if I truly let Jesus take over as Lord?
- Ask Jesus to move you from curiosity to transformation—helping you go all in by surrendering every part of your life to Him.

## Day 5

### *Matthew 28:*

Matthew 28 closes with the risen Jesus giving His disciples a mission: *"Go and make disciples of all nations."* Notice He didn't say, *"Go and make believers."* Belief is the starting point, but following Jesus means stepping into obedience, sharing the gospel, and helping others grow in their faith. Some of the disciples still doubted (v. 17), but Jesus sent them anyway—not because they were perfect, but because His authority and presence would go with them. Going all in with Jesus means moving beyond private faith to public mission, trusting that He is with us wherever we go. Believers admire the resurrection; followers live like it changes everything.

- Am I content just believing in the resurrection, or am I living like it compels me to share and disciple others?
- Where in my life is Jesus calling me to take a step of obedience, even if I still feel some doubt?
- How does the promise of Jesus' presence encourage me to go all in with His mission?
- Ask Jesus to help you step beyond belief into obedience, going all in with His mission to make disciples as you trust His authority and presence.