



Some things in life are essential. We need them. They are required. Fundamental to life. Sunlight is essential for plants. Love is essential for relationships. Truth is essential for human beings to know God and grow closer to Him. This **Essential** reading plan will help you see the **Truth** about God as you grow closer to him!

As you read each verse, write down what you discover about God in a notebook. Then take time to think about why God wants you to know this and how this truth can affect your life. **This is the big crossover from Bible reading to Bible study—writing, thinking, and acting.**

### **Week 1: God**

- **Day 1:** Genesis 1:1–25 & Deuteronomy 6:1–9
- **Day 2:** Isaiah 6:1–7 & Matthew 5:43–48
- **Day 3:** Matthew 3:13–17 & 2 Corinthians 13:14
- **Day 4:** Psalm 139:1–16 & Isaiah 46:8–11
- **Day 5:** Ephesians 1:3–14 & Revelation 4

### **Week 2: The Holy Spirit**

- **Day 1:** John 14–16
- **Day 2:** John 3:1–8, Acts 2:38, 4:31, & Titus 3:3–7
- **Day 3:** Romans 8 & 1 Corinthians 12:12–13
- **Day 4:** 1 Corinthians 2:6–16 & Ephesians 1:13–23
- **Day 5:** Galatians 5:16–26 & Ephesians 3:14–21, 4:30

### **Week 3: The Bible**

- **Day 1:** Hebrews 1:1–4 & 2 Peter 3:14–18
- **Day 2:** 2 Timothy 3:10–17 & 2 Peter 1:16–21
- **Day 3:** Psalm 19:7–11 & Psalm 119:153–160
- **Day 4:** Matthew 5:17–20 & John 17:13–19
- **Day 5:** Romans 15:1–4 & James 1:22–25

### **Week 4: Sin**

- **Day 1:** Genesis 1:26–31 & Genesis 5:1–3
- **Day 2:** Genesis 3:1–19 & 2 Corinthians 11:1–4
- **Day 3:** Psalm 51 & Romans 3:9–20
- **Day 4:** Ephesians 2:1–3 & Romans 1:18–23
- **Day 5:** Romans 5:1–21 & Colossians 1:15–23

## **Week 5: The Person of Jesus Christ**

- **Day 1:** John 1:1–18 & Colossians 2:8–10
- **Day 2:** Luke 1:26–38 & Matthew 1:18–25
- **Day 3:** Hebrews 4:14–16 & Galatians 4:1–7
- **Day 4:** Hebrews 1
- **Day 5:** Colossians 1:15–23

## **Week 6: The Work of Jesus Christ**

- **Day 1:** Isaiah 53:1–12 & Romans 5:12–21
- **Day 2:** Romans 3:21–26 & Hebrews 9:11–14
- **Day 3:** Hebrews 10:1–18
- **Day 4:** John 14:1–6 & Acts 4:1–12
- **Day 5:** 1 Corinthians 15:1–20

## **Week 7: The Church**

- **Day 1:** Ephesians 4:1–16 & Colossians 1:18
- **Day 2:** Romans 12:3–8 & 1 Corinthians 12
- **Day 3:** Acts 2:41–47 & Hebrews 10:24–25
- **Day 4:** Matthew 28:16–20 & Romans 6:1–4
- **Day 5:** 1 Corinthians 11:17–34

## **Week 8: Christian Living**

- **Day 1:** Galatians 5:1–6 & James 2:14–26
- **Day 2:** Matthew 22:34–40 & Micah 6:6–8
- **Day 3:** Luke 10:25–37 & Matthew 25:31–46
- **Day 4:** Ephesians 6:10–20 & 2 Corinthians 10:3–5
- **Day 5:** Luke 24:36–53 & Acts 1:6–8

## **Week 9: Christ's Return**

- **Day 1:** Acts 1:9–11 & 1 Thessalonians 4:13–18
- **Day 2:** Matthew 24
- **Day 3:** 1 Thessalonians 5:1–11
- **Day 4:** Titus 2:11–14 & 2 Peter 3:1–13
- **Day 5:** James 5:7–8 & 2 Timothy 4:1–8

## **Week 10: Eternal Destiny**

- **Day 1:** Acts 17:22–31 & Romans 10:8–13
- **Day 2:** John 5:24–29 & 1 Corinthians 15:50–58
- **Day 3:** Revelation 20:11–15 & 2 Thessalonians 1:5–10
- **Day 4:** Revelation 21:1–7 & Revelation 22:1–5
- **Day 5:** Ephesians 1:3–6 & Revelation 5:9–14