

See *Jesus* in the Old Testament

In Luke 24:27, Jesus walks with two disciples and opens the Scriptures to them, showing how everything written in Moses and the Prophets pointed to Him.

This Bible reading challenge is an invitation to follow that same path—tracing what has often been called the “scarlet thread” of redemption woven throughout the Old Testament.

From the first sacrifice in Eden to the promises, the law, and the prophets, we will see how all of Scripture points to Jesus – the Lamb who was slain before the foundation of the world and our Emmanuel, God with us, who took on flesh to dwell among us and give His life for our salvation.

Part I – Seeing Jesus in the Law

GENESIS | The Promised Seed, the Covenant, and the Substitute

- April 18 – ch. 1:1-2:3 *God creates a good and ordered world by His Word, pointing to Jesus, the Word of God through whom all things were made and hold together.*
- April 19 – ch. 2:4-25 *God forms man from the dust and establishes marriage, pointing to Jesus, the Bridegroom of the Church who gives life and restores the lost.*
- April 20 – ch. 3 *Sin enters the world through Adam, but God promises the coming Seed who will crush the serpent and atone for sin.*
- April 21 – ch. 4 *Sin spreads through Cain, but God preserves the promised offspring through whom people call on His name.*
- April 22 – ch. 5 *Death reigns through Adam’s line, yet God preserves the promised offspring.*
- April 23 – ch. 6:1-8 *Humanity’s sin grows great and fills the earth, yet Noah finds favor by God’s grace.*
- April 24 – ch. 6:9-7:24 *God judges sin through the flood but provides the ark, pointing to Jesus as the only way to be saved from the wrath of God.*
- April 25 – ch. 8:1-9:17 *God delivers Noah through the flood and establishes His covenant, pointing to mercy after judgment.*
- April 26 – ch. 9:18-10:32 *The nations are birthed and spread from Noah’s sons, with God preserving the promised line through Shem.*
- April 27 – ch. 11:1-26 *God scatters the nations at Babel yet preserves the promised line through Shem to Abram (Abraham).*
- April 28 – ch. 11:27-12:9 *God calls Abram and promises to bless all nations through his offspring – which, according to Galatians 3:16 is a reference to Jesus.*
- April 29 – ch. 15 *God confirms His covenant with Abram, promising offspring and counting his faith as righteousness.*
- April 30 – ch. 17:1-22 *God establishes His covenant with Abraham through Isaac, pointing to Jesus, the promised Offspring.*

GENESIS, continued

- May 1 – ch. 22 *God provides a ram as a substitute for Isaac, pointing to Jesus, the Lamb of God who would die as our Substitute.*
 - May 2 – ch. 28:10-22 *God confirms His promise to Jacob and reveals a ladder to heaven, pointing to Jesus as the only Way to the Father.*
 - May 3 – ch. 37 *Joseph is rejected and sold by his brothers, yet God already has a plan to raise him up.*
 - May 4 – ch. 40 *God gifts Joseph with the ability to interpret dreams, bringing life to one and judgment to another.*
 - May 5 – ch. 41 *God raises Joseph from the pit to rule and provide bread in a time of famine, preparing the way to preserve His people.*
 - May 6 – ch. 44 *Judah offers himself in place of Benjamin, showing a heart of sacrifice and responsibility.*
 - May 7 – ch. 45 *Joseph reveals himself to his brothers, showing God preserving His people and the promised line despite their sin.*
 - May 8 – ch. 46 *God brings Jacob and his family to Egypt, not only preserving the promised line but fulfilling His promise that they would become a nation.*
 - May 9 – ch. 49:1-2, 8-12 *Jacob blesses his sons before his death, prophesying a coming King from Judah – Jesus – to whom all nations will bow.*
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EXODUS | The Deliverer, the Passover Lamb, and God's Presence

- May 10 – ch. 1 *God multiplies His people in Egypt according to His promise, even as they are oppressed.*
- May 11 – ch. 2 *God hears the cries of His people, remembers His covenant with them, and preserves Moses, preparing to raise him up to deliver them.*
- May 12 – ch. 3 *God reveals Himself as I AM and calls Moses, promising to be with him to deliver His people.*
- May 13 – ch. 6:1-13 *God reaffirms His covenant and promises to redeem His people with a mighty hand.*
- May 14 – ch. 12 *God delivers His people through the blood of the Passover lamb, pointing to Jesus, the Lamb who takes away the sin of the world.*
- May 15 – ch. 14 *God parts the Red Sea, delivering His people as they walk across on dry land, and defeats their enemy with the waters to save them.*
- May 16 – ch. 15 *God's people praise Him as their salvation and Redeemer, pointing to Jesus, the eternal King who saves, redeems, and reigns forever.*
- May 17 – ch. 16 *God provides bread from heaven (manna) to sustain His people in the wilderness, pointing to Jesus, the Bread of Life.*
- May 18 – ch. 17 *God provides water from the rock and victory over their enemies, pointing to the life given and the ultimate victory over every enemy in Him.*

EXODUS, continued

- May 19 – ch. 20 *God gives His Law, revealing His holiness, our inability to keep the Law, and our need for Him to rescue us from our sin.*
 - May 20 – ch. 24 *God confirms His covenant with His people through the blood of sacrifice, pointing to a new and greater covenant in the blood of Jesus.*
 - May 21 – ch. 32 *God's people break the covenant through idolatry, and Moses intercedes for them, reminding us of our need for Jesus as our Advocate when we sin.*
 - May 22 – ch. 33 *God promises His presence to dwell among His people through the tent of meeting, pointing to the presence of God dwelling in the person of Jesus.*
 - May 23 – ch. 34 *God renews His covenant with His people and reveals His steadfast love, mercy, and grace, pointing to their fullness in Jesus.*
 - May 24 – ch. 40 *God fills the tabernacle with His glory, representing Him dwelling among His people and pointing us to Jesus taking on flesh and dwelling with us.*
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LEVITICUS | The Sacrifice for Sin, the Call to Holiness, and the Hope of Atonement

- May 25 – ch. 1 *God provides the burnt offering to atone for sin through a spotless substitute, pointing to Jesus, the Lamb of God without blemish or sin.*
 - May 26 – ch. 16, 17:11 *God introduces the Day of Atonement, where a sin-bearing substitute and the life blood deal with sin, pointing to Jesus whose blood cleanses all sin.*
 - May 27 – ch. 19 *God calls His people to be holy as He is holy and to love their neighbor as themselves, pointing to Jesus who is holy, holy, holy.*
 - May 28 – ch. 23 *God appoints feasts for His people to remember His saving works and worship Him, pointing to their fulfillment in Jesus.*
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NUMBERS | The Faithful Guide, Salvation Lifted, and the Promised King

- May 29 – ch. 9 *God calls His people to keep the Passover and faithfully guides them by His presence, pointing to Jesus, our Passover Lamb and Savior.*
- May 30 – ch. 13 *God's people see the promised land but doubt God's promise, responding in fear instead of faith.*
- May 31 – ch. 14 *God's people rebel against Him, but through Moses's intercession God shows mercy even as He brings judgment.*
- June 1 – ch. 21 *God provides salvation from judgment through the lifted serpent, pointing to Jesus who was lifted so that whoever believes may have eternal life.*
- June 2 – ch. 22 *God shows that His Word stands and His people cannot be cursed because He alone determines blessing and judgment.*
- June 3 – ch. 23 *God declares His unchanging Word, showing that He does not lie and His blessing cannot be revoked.*
- June 4 – ch. 24 *God reveals the coming King from Jacob, a star and scepter who will rule and reign over all.*

NUMBERS, continued

- June 5 – ch. 25 *God judges His people's sin, but atonement through a faithful priest turns away His wrath, pointing to Jesus, the high priest of a greater atonement.*
 - June 6 – ch. 27:12-23 *God appoints Joshua to lead His people after Moses so they are not without a shepherd, pointing to Jesus who is greater than Moses or Joshua.*
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DEUTERONOMY | The Greater Prophet, the Curse Removed, and the Promise of Redemption

- June 7 – ch. 6 *God commands His people to love Him with all their heart, soul, and might, revealing their need for a transformed heart.*
- June 8 – ch. 7 *God sets His love on His people and chooses them, not because of them but out of His steadfast covenantal love, best demonstrated in Christ.*
- June 9 – ch. 8 *God humbles and provides for His people, revealing their need for a heart that depends on Him.*
- June 10 – ch. 10 *God calls His people to circumcise their hearts, revealing their need for the heart change He must provide.*
- June 11 – ch. 11 *God sets before His people blessing and curse, revealing the need for the curse to be removed.*
- June 12 – ch. 18:15-22, 21:22-23 *God promises a greater Prophet and reveals the curse, pointing to Jesus who is the Word of God and bears the curse for sin.*
- June 13 – ch. 30 *God promises to restore His people and change their hearts so that they may truly love and obey Him.*
- June 14 – ch. 34 *God buries Moses, and His people are left waiting for a prophet like Him. There's good news: Jesus is greater than Moses.*



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