The New Testament Story

START ANY MONDAY · WEEK 1 TO WEEK 26 · 2 CHAPTERS A DAY, 5 DAYS A WEEK · ALL 260 CHAPTERS

Same New Testament, brand new route. This time you will read it in story order. You start with Mark, the fast-moving Gospel, then Matthew and Luke. Luke rolls right into Acts, and as the church spreads, you will read each letter about where it was written in the Acts story. John's Gospel, his letters, and Revelation bring it all home at the end. Two chapters a day, five days a week, twenty-six weeks.

Monday through Friday, read two chapters. Saturday and Sunday are grace days: catch up, reread, or rest in what you read. At the end of each week, work through the questions on your own or with your small group. Open your Bible and read the verses before you answer, and let the text do the talking. Where a letter lands in Acts is our best estimate, so treat the order as a guide. Start any Monday you like. Write the date in the blank when you begin each week, and check the box as you finish each reading.

Grab your Bible. Let's read. ~ Chris Gallagher

Week 1: Mark: Jesus on the move

WEEK OF _____

☐	Day 1	Mark 1-2
☐	Day 2	Mark 3-4
☐	Day 3	Mark 5-6
☐	Day 4	Mark 7-8
☐	Day 5	Mark 9-10
☐	*Days 6 & 7*	*Grace days: catch up, reread, or rest*

Talk it over

1. **OBSERVE** Mark 1:14-20. What was Jesus preaching, and how quickly did Simon, Andrew, James, and John leave their nets to follow Him?
2. **OBSERVE** Mark 2:1-12. What did the four friends do to get the paralyzed man to Jesus? What did Jesus say to the man before He healed him, and why did that upset the scribes?
3. **UNDERSTAND** Mark 4:1-20. Jesus describes four kinds of soil. What separates the good soil from the other three?
4. **UNDERSTAND** Mark 8:27-38. Peter calls Jesus the Christ, then tries to talk Him out of the cross. What does Jesus say it really means to follow Him?
5. **APPLY** Mark 10:42-45. The Son of Man came to serve. Name one person you can serve this week without being asked.

Week 2: The cross, the empty tomb, and a new Gospel

WEEK OF _____

☐ Day 1	Mark 11-12
☐ Day 2	Mark 13-14
☐ Day 3	Mark 15-16
☐ Day 4	Matthew 1-2
☐ Day 5	Matthew 3-4
☐ *Days 6 & 7*	*Grace days: catch up, reread, or rest*

Talk it over

1. **OBSERVE** Mark 12:28-34. Which two commandments did Jesus call the greatest?
2. **UNDERSTAND** Mark 14:66-72 and 16:7. Peter denied Jesus three times, yet the angel says, "Go, tell His disciples and Peter." What does that tell you about how the Lord treats people who fail and come back?
3. **OBSERVE** Mark 16:15-16. What did Jesus send the apostles out to do, and what did He connect with being saved?
4. **UNDERSTAND** Matthew 3:13-17. Jesus was sinless, yet He was baptized "to fulfill all righteousness." Why do you think He insisted, and what did the Father say?
5. **APPLY** Matthew 4:1-11. Jesus answered every temptation with "It is written." Which verse could you memorize this week for the temptation you face most?

Week 3: The Sermon on the Mount and the King's power

WEEK OF _____

☐ Day 1	Matthew 5-6
☐ Day 2	Matthew 7-8
☐ Day 3	Matthew 9-10
☐ Day 4	Matthew 11-12
☐ Day 5	Matthew 13-14
☐ *Days 6 & 7*	*Grace days: catch up, reread, or rest*

Talk it over

1. **OBSERVE** Matthew 5:3-12. Pick one beatitude. What kind of person does it describe, and what does God promise that person?
2. **UNDERSTAND** Matthew 6:1-18. What warning does Jesus give about giving, praying, and fasting? What is the common thread?
3. **UNDERSTAND** Matthew 7:21-27. What is the difference between the wise builder and the foolish one? Why is calling Him "Lord" not enough by itself?
4. **OBSERVE** Matthew 11:28-30. What does Jesus offer people who are worn out? How can His yoke be called easy?
5. **APPLY** Matthew 14:22-33. Peter started sinking when he looked at the wind. What storm is pulling your eyes off Jesus right now, and what would keeping your focus on Him look like this week?

Week 4: Who do you say that I am?

WEEK OF _____

☐	Day 1	Matthew 15-16
☐	Day 2	Matthew 17-18
☐	Day 3	Matthew 19-20
☐	Day 4	Matthew 21-22
☐	Day 5	Matthew 23-24
☐	*Days 6 & 7*	*Grace days: catch up, reread, or rest*

Talk it over

1. **OBSERVE** Matthew 16:13-18. What did Peter confess about Jesus, and what did Jesus say He would build?
2. **UNDERSTAND** Matthew 18:21-35. How many times did Jesus tell Peter to forgive? What is the point of the parable of the unforgiving servant?
3. **UNDERSTAND** Matthew 19:16-26. Why did the rich young man walk away sad? What competes with Jesus for first place in people's lives today?
4. **OBSERVE** Matthew 22:15-22 and 22:34-40. How did Jesus answer the trick question about taxes, and what belongs to God?
5. **APPLY** Matthew 24:36-44. Nobody knows the day or the hour. What does being ready look like in your normal daily routine?

Week 5: Jesus is risen, and Luke begins

WEEK OF _____

☐	Day 1	Matthew 25-26
☐	Day 2	Matthew 27-28
☐	Day 3	Luke 1-2
☐	Day 4	Luke 3-4
☐	Day 5	Luke 5-6
☐	*Days 6 & 7*	*Grace days: catch up, reread, or rest*

Talk it over

1. **OBSERVE** Matthew 25:31-46. On what basis did the King separate the sheep from the goats?
2. **UNDERSTAND** Matthew 26:26-29. What did Jesus say about the bread and the cup? How can remembering this night help you as you share the Lord's Supper on the first day of the week?
3. **OBSERVE** Matthew 28:18-20. List every command in the Great Commission. Which part are you actively involved in right now?
4. **UNDERSTAND** Luke 1:26-38. How did Mary respond to Gabriel? What does "let it be to me according to your word" teach about trusting God?
5. **APPLY** Luke 6:27-36. Jesus says to love your enemies and do good to them. Who is hard for you to love, and what is one good thing you could do for that person this week?

Week 6: Lost things found

WEEK OF _____

☐ Day 1	Luke 7-8
☐ Day 2	Luke 9-10
☐ Day 3	Luke 11-12
☐ Day 4	Luke 13-14
☐ Day 5	Luke 15-16
☐ *Days 6 & 7*	*Grace days: catch up, reread, or rest*

Talk it over

1. **OBSERVE** Luke 7:36-50. What did the sinful woman do for Jesus, and what did Simon the Pharisee miss?
2. **UNDERSTAND** Luke 10:25-37. The lawyer asked, "Who is my neighbor?" How did Jesus turn that question around with the story of the Samaritan?
3. **UNDERSTAND** Luke 12:13-21. What was the rich fool's real mistake? What does it mean to be rich toward God?
4. **OBSERVE** Luke 15. What do the lost sheep, the lost coin, and the lost son have in common? What does the older brother reveal about his heart?
5. **APPLY** Luke 14:25-33. Jesus tells us to count the cost. What has following Jesus cost you, and why is He worth it?

Week 7: From the empty tomb to the birth of the church

WEEK OF _____

☐ Day 1	Luke 17-18
☐ Day 2	Luke 19-20
☐ Day 3	Luke 21-22
☐ Day 4	Luke 23-24
☐ Day 5	Acts 1-2
☐ *Days 6 & 7*	*Grace days: catch up, reread, or rest*

Talk it over

1. **OBSERVE** Luke 19:1-10. What changed in Zacchaeus after he met Jesus? How does Luke 19:10 sum up the mission of Jesus?
2. **UNDERSTAND** Luke 22:39-46. How did Jesus pray on the Mount of Olives? What can we learn from "not my will, but yours, be done"?
3. **UNDERSTAND** Luke 24:13-35 and 24:44-47. How did Jesus open the eyes of the two disciples on the road to Emmaus? What did He use to explain Himself?
4. **OBSERVE** Acts 2:36-41. What did the crowd ask after Peter's sermon? What did Peter tell them to do, and what were they promised?
5. **APPLY** Acts 2:42-47. List what the first Christians devoted themselves to. Which one do you most want to grow in, and what is your first step?

Week 8: The gospel spreads from Jerusalem

WEEK OF _____

☐ Day 1	Acts 3-4
☐ Day 2	Acts 5-6
☐ Day 3	Acts 7-8
☐ Day 4	Acts 9-10
☐ Day 5	Acts 11-12
☐ *Days 6 & 7*	*Grace days: catch up, reread, or rest*

Talk it over

1. **OBSERVE** Acts 4:8-12 and 4:18-20. What did Peter say about salvation, and how did he and John respond when they were ordered to stop preaching in Jesus' name?
2. **UNDERSTAND** Acts 5:1-11. What exactly was the sin of Ananias and Sapphira? Why did God take it so seriously?
3. **OBSERVE** Acts 8:26-39. Trace the conversion of the Ethiopian official. Philip "preached Jesus" to him, so why do you think the man asked about baptism when they came to water?
4. **UNDERSTAND** Acts 9:1-19. Saul went from hunting Christians to preaching Christ. What does his story say about anyone being too far gone for God?
5. **APPLY** Acts 10:34-48. Peter learned that God shows no partiality. Is there someone you have quietly written off who needs to hear the gospel?

Week 9: Faith that works, and the first mission trip

WEEK OF _____

☐ Day 1	James 1-2
☐ Day 2	James 3-4
☐ Day 3	James 5; Acts 13
☐ Day 4	Acts 14; Galatians 1
☐ Day 5	Galatians 2-3
☐ *Days 6 & 7*	*Grace days: catch up, reread, or rest*

Talk it over

1. **OBSERVE** James 1:22-25. What is the difference between a hearer of the word and a doer of the word?
2. **UNDERSTAND** James 2:14-26. What does James say about faith without works? How do Abraham and Rahab illustrate living faith?
3. **APPLY** James 3:1-12. Why is the tongue so hard to tame? Pick one speech habit to work on this week, and tell someone who will hold you to it.
4. **OBSERVE** Acts 13:1-3 and 14:21-23. How were Barnabas and Saul sent out, and what did they do when they went back through the churches they had planted?
5. **UNDERSTAND** Galatians 3:26-29. How does Paul say we become children of God and "put on Christ"? What does being one in Christ mean for how we treat each other?

Week 10: Freedom in Christ, and the gospel reaches Europe

WEEK OF _____

☐	Day 1	Galatians 4-5
☐	Day 2	Galatians 6; Acts 15
☐	Day 3	Acts 16-17
☐	Day 4	Acts 18; 1 Thessalonians 1
☐	Day 5	1 Thessalonians 2-3
☐	*Days 6 & 7*	*Grace days: catch up, reread, or rest*

Talk it over

1. **OBSERVE** Galatians 5:16-26. List the works of the flesh and the fruit of the Spirit. Which fruit is growing in you, and which one needs attention?
2. **UNDERSTAND** Acts 15:1-21. What question did the meeting in Jerusalem settle, and how did the apostles and elders reach their answer?
3. **OBSERVE** Acts 16:25-34. What did the jailer ask Paul and Silas? What did he and his family do "the same hour of the night"?
4. **APPLY** Acts 17:11. The Bereans examined the Scriptures daily to see if what they heard was true. How can you be a Berean with everything you hear taught, including from this plan?
5. **APPLY** Galatians 6:1-2. How should a spiritual Christian help someone caught in sin? Is there someone you need to gently reach out to?

Week 11: Hope for the waiting, and a church with problems

WEEK OF _____

☐	Day 1	1 Thessalonians 4-5
☐	Day 2	2 Thessalonians 1-2
☐	Day 3	2 Thessalonians 3; Acts 19
☐	Day 4	1 Corinthians 1-2
☐	Day 5	1 Corinthians 3-4
☐	*Days 6 & 7*	*Grace days: catch up, reread, or rest*

Talk it over

1. **OBSERVE** 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18. What comfort does Paul give about Christians who have died?
2. **UNDERSTAND** 2 Thessalonians 3:6-13. What did Paul say about people who refused to work? Why does honest work matter to God?
3. **OBSERVE** Acts 19:1-7. What did Paul ask the disciples at Ephesus? Why were they baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus after only knowing John's baptism?
4. **UNDERSTAND** 1 Corinthians 1:10-17. What was dividing the church at Corinth? What does Paul's plea for "no divisions" say to believers today?
5. **APPLY** 1 Corinthians 3:5-9. Paul planted, Apollos watered, and God gave the growth. Who could you plant or water a seed with this week?

Week 12: Living as one body

WEEK OF _____

☐	Day 1	1 Corinthians 5-6
☐	Day 2	1 Corinthians 7-8
☐	Day 3	1 Corinthians 9-10
☐	Day 4	1 Corinthians 11-12
☐	Day 5	1 Corinthians 13-14
☐	*Days 6 & 7*	*Grace days: catch up, reread, or rest*

Talk it over

1. **UNDERSTAND** 1 Corinthians 6:9-11 and 6:19-20. Paul says, "You were washed... you are not your own." How should that change the way we treat our bodies?
2. **OBSERVE** 1 Corinthians 10:13. What does God promise about every temptation we face?
3. **UNDERSTAND** 1 Corinthians 11:23-29. What do we proclaim when we eat the bread and drink the cup? What does it mean to examine yourself before the Lord's Supper?
4. **APPLY** 1 Corinthians 12:12-27. If the church is a body, what part are you? How are you using your gifts to serve the rest of the body?
5. **APPLY** 1 Corinthians 13:4-7. Read it again and put your own name in place of "love." Which line is hardest to read honestly?

Week 13: Resurrection hope and a ministry of reconciliation

WEEK OF _____

☐	Day 1	1 Corinthians 15-16
☐	Day 2	2 Corinthians 1-2
☐	Day 3	2 Corinthians 3-4
☐	Day 4	2 Corinthians 5-6
☐	Day 5	2 Corinthians 7-8
☐	*Days 6 & 7*	*Grace days: catch up, reread, or rest*

Talk it over

1. **OBSERVE** 1 Corinthians 15:1-8. What does Paul say is "of first importance"? List the facts of the gospel he names.
2. **UNDERSTAND** 1 Corinthians 15:12-20. What would be true if Christ had not been raised? Why does the resurrection matter so much?
3. **UNDERSTAND** 2 Corinthians 4:16-18. How did Paul keep from losing heart while his outer self was wasting away?
4. **OBSERVE** 2 Corinthians 5:17-21. What does it mean to be a new creation and an ambassador for Christ?
5. **APPLY** 1 Corinthians 16:2 and 2 Corinthians 8:1-9. What stands out about the way the Macedonians gave? What would cheerful, planned giving look like for you?

Week 14: Strength in weakness, and the power of the gospel

WEEK OF _____

☐	Day 1	2 Corinthians 9-10
☐	Day 2	2 Corinthians 11-12
☐	Day 3	2 Corinthians 13; Romans 1
☐	Day 4	Romans 2-3
☐	Day 5	Romans 4-5
☐	*Days 6 & 7*	*Grace days: catch up, reread, or rest*

Talk it over

1. **OBSERVE** 2 Corinthians 9:6-8. What kind of giver does God love?
2. **UNDERSTAND** 2 Corinthians 12:7-10. What did Paul ask about his thorn in the flesh, and how did the Lord answer him?
3. **OBSERVE** Romans 1:16-17. Why was Paul not ashamed of the gospel?
4. **UNDERSTAND** Romans 3:21-26. If all have sinned and fall short, how can anyone be made right with God?
5. **APPLY** Romans 5:6-11. How did God show His love for us? Who in your life needs to hear Romans 5:8 this week?

Week 15: Dead to sin, alive to God

WEEK OF _____

☐	Day 1	Romans 6-7
☐	Day 2	Romans 8-9
☐	Day 3	Romans 10-11
☐	Day 4	Romans 12-13
☐	Day 5	Romans 14-15
☐	*Days 6 & 7*	*Grace days: catch up, reread, or rest*

Talk it over

1. **OBSERVE** Romans 6:1-11. What does Paul say happens when we are baptized into Christ? How does baptism picture His death, burial, and resurrection?
2. **UNDERSTAND** Romans 7:15-25 and 8:1-4. How does Paul describe his struggle with sin, and where does he find victory?
3. **OBSERVE** Romans 8:31-39. List everything Paul says cannot separate us from the love of God in Christ.
4. **UNDERSTAND** Romans 10:13-17. How does faith come? What does that say about the importance of reading and teaching God's word?
5. **APPLY** Romans 12:1-2 and 12:9-21. What does being a living sacrifice look like on an ordinary Tuesday? Pick one command from 12:9-21 to practice this week.

Week 16: Paul's journey to Jerusalem and Rome

WEEK OF _____

☐ Day 1	Romans 16; Acts 20
☐ Day 2	Acts 21-22
☐ Day 3	Acts 23-24
☐ Day 4	Acts 25-26
☐ Day 5	Acts 27-28
☐ *Days 6 & 7*	*Grace days: catch up, reread, or rest*

Talk it over

1. **OBSERVE** Acts 20:7-12. On what day did the disciples at Troas gather to break bread? What happened during Paul's long sermon?
2. **UNDERSTAND** Acts 20:28-32. What did Paul charge the Ephesian elders to do, and what danger did he warn them about?
3. **OBSERVE** Acts 22:6-16. When Paul told his own conversion story, what did Ananias tell him to do, and what did he connect with washing away sins?
4. **UNDERSTAND** Acts 26:24-29. How did Festus and Agrippa respond to Paul? What keeps people "almost persuaded" today?
5. **APPLY** Romans 16:1-16. Paul thanks a long list of coworkers by name. Who in your congregation serves quietly and needs a thank you note from you this week?

Week 17: Letters from prison: the church and the Christ

WEEK OF _____

☐ Day 1	Ephesians 1-2
☐ Day 2	Ephesians 3-4
☐ Day 3	Ephesians 5-6
☐ Day 4	Colossians 1-2
☐ Day 5	Colossians 3-4
☐ *Days 6 & 7*	*Grace days: catch up, reread, or rest*

Talk it over

1. **OBSERVE** Ephesians 2:1-10. How does Paul describe us before Christ? How are we saved, and what were we created for?
2. **UNDERSTAND** Ephesians 4:1-6. List every "one" Paul names. Why does unity in the truth matter so much to God?
3. **UNDERSTAND** Ephesians 5:18-21 and Colossians 3:16. What do these verses say about singing together? What should be going on in our hearts when we sing?
4. **APPLY** Ephesians 6:10-18. Which piece of the armor of God do you need to put on most this week, and why?
5. **APPLY** Colossians 2:12 and 3:1-17. We were raised with Christ. What do you need to put off, and what do you need to put on?

Week 18: Joy, contentment, and how the church is led

WEEK OF _____

☐	Day 1	Philemon; Philippians 1
☐	Day 2	Philippians 2-3
☐	Day 3	Philippians 4; 1 Timothy 1
☐	Day 4	1 Timothy 2-3
☐	Day 5	1 Timothy 4-5
☐	*Days 6 & 7*	*Grace days: catch up, reread, or rest*

Talk it over

1. **OBSERVE** Philemon 8-21. What did Paul ask Philemon to do for Onesimus? What does this short letter teach about reconciliation?
2. **UNDERSTAND** Philippians 2:3-11. How did Jesus humble Himself? What would having "this mind" look like in your relationships?
3. **APPLY** Philippians 4:4-13. What does Paul tell us to do instead of being anxious? Where do you need to learn his secret of contentment?
4. **OBSERVE** 1 Timothy 3:1-13. What qualifications does Paul give for elders and deacons? Why do you think he focuses so much on character and home life?
5. **APPLY** 1 Timothy 4:12. Paul lists five areas for setting an example: speech, conduct, love, faith, and purity. Which one do you want to grow in first?

Week 19: Sound teaching and a living hope

WEEK OF _____

☐	Day 1	1 Timothy 6; Titus 1
☐	Day 2	Titus 2-3
☐	Day 3	1 Peter 1-2
☐	Day 4	1 Peter 3-4
☐	Day 5	1 Peter 5; 2 Timothy 1
☐	*Days 6 & 7*	*Grace days: catch up, reread, or rest*

Talk it over

1. **OBSERVE** 1 Timothy 6:6-10. What does Paul say about godliness with contentment, and about the love of money?
2. **UNDERSTAND** Titus 2:11-14. What does the grace of God train us to do?
3. **UNDERSTAND** 1 Peter 3:18-22. How does Peter connect Noah, the flood, and baptism? What does he say baptism is, and what does he say it is not?
4. **OBSERVE** 1 Peter 2:9-12. What names does Peter give God's people? What does it mean to live as sojourners and exiles?
5. **APPLY** 2 Timothy 1:5-7. Lois and Eunice passed a sincere faith to Timothy. Who passed faith to you, and who are you passing it on to?

Week 20: Finish the race, hold to the truth

WEEK OF _____

☐ Day 1	2 Timothy 2-3
☐ Day 2	2 Timothy 4; 2 Peter 1
☐ Day 3	2 Peter 2-3
☐ Day 4	Jude; Hebrews 1
☐ Day 5	Hebrews 2-3
☐ *Days 6 & 7*	*Grace days: catch up, reread, or rest*

Talk it over

1. **OBSERVE** 2 Timothy 3:14-17. What does Paul say Scripture is, and what is it able to do?
2. **UNDERSTAND** 2 Timothy 4:1-8. What did Paul charge Timothy to preach? How did Paul describe the end of his own race?
3. **APPLY** 2 Peter 1:5-11. List the qualities Peter says to add to your faith. Which one needs the most work in your life right now?
4. **UNDERSTAND** 2 Peter 3:8-13. Why does it seem like the Lord is slow to return? What does Peter say God is really doing?
5. **APPLY** Jude 3 and 20-23, with Hebrews 2:1-4. What does it mean to contend for the faith once for all delivered? What helps you keep from drifting away?

Week 21: Jesus is better

WEEK OF _____

☐ Day 1	Hebrews 4-5
☐ Day 2	Hebrews 6-7
☐ Day 3	Hebrews 8-9
☐ Day 4	Hebrews 10-11
☐ Day 5	Hebrews 12-13
☐ *Days 6 & 7*	*Grace days: catch up, reread, or rest*

Talk it over

1. **OBSERVE** Hebrews 4:14-16. What kind of high priest do we have, and how should that change the way we come to God?
2. **UNDERSTAND** Hebrews 10:19-25. What does the writer tell us not to neglect, and why is that so important?
3. **OBSERVE** Hebrews 11. Pick one person from this chapter. How did that person's faith show up in action?
4. **UNDERSTAND** Hebrews 12:1-3. What weights and sins slow runners down? How does looking to Jesus help us keep running?
5. **APPLY** Hebrews 13:1-8. Pick one practical command here, like hospitality, faithfulness in marriage, or contentment, and put it to work this week.

Week 22: John: that you may believe

WEEK OF _____

☐ Day 1	John 1-2
☐ Day 2	John 3-4
☐ Day 3	John 5-6
☐ Day 4	John 7-8
☐ Day 5	John 9-10
☐ *Days 6 & 7*	*Grace days: catch up, reread, or rest*

Talk it over

1. **OBSERVE** John 1:1-14. What does John tell us about the Word? Who is He, and what did He do?
2. **UNDERSTAND** John 3:1-8. What did Jesus tell Nicodemus about being born of water and the Spirit? How do Acts 2:38 and Titus 3:5 help explain it?
3. **UNDERSTAND** John 4:7-26. What barriers did Jesus cross to talk with the Samaritan woman? What did He offer her?
4. **OBSERVE** John 6:66-69. When many disciples walked away, what did Peter say to Jesus?
5. **APPLY** John 10:10-11 and 10:27-30. What does the Good Shepherd give His sheep? Where do you need to listen more closely for His voice?

Week 23: The way, the truth, and the life

WEEK OF _____

☐ Day 1	John 11-12
☐ Day 2	John 13-14
☐ Day 3	John 15-16
☐ Day 4	John 17-18
☐ Day 5	John 19-20
☐ *Days 6 & 7*	*Grace days: catch up, reread, or rest*

Talk it over

1. **OBSERVE** John 11:17-44. What did Jesus say to Martha about Himself? Why do you think He wept, even knowing what He was about to do?
2. **UNDERSTAND** John 13:1-17 and 13:34-35. What did Jesus show by washing feet? How will people know we are His disciples?
3. **UNDERSTAND** John 14:6 and 14:15-24. What does Jesus say about the way to the Father? How does He connect loving Him with keeping His commandments?
4. **OBSERVE** John 17:20-23. What did Jesus pray for those who would believe through the apostles' word?
5. **APPLY** John 20:24-31. How did Thomas move from doubt to "My Lord and my God"? John tells us why he wrote his book. Who could you give these chapters to?

Week 24: Love one another, and letters to the churches

WEEK OF _____

☐ Day 1	John 21; 1 John 1
☐ Day 2	1 John 2-3
☐ Day 3	1 John 4-5
☐ Day 4	2 John; 3 John
☐ Day 5	Revelation 1-2
☐ *Days 6 & 7*	*Grace days: catch up, reread, or rest*

Talk it over

1. **OBSERVE** John 21:15-19. Three times Jesus asked Peter, "Do you love me?" What did He tell Peter to do each time?
2. **UNDERSTAND** 1 John 1:5-10. What does it mean to walk in the light? What does God promise when we confess our sins?
3. **UNDERSTAND** 1 John 4:7-21. How does John define love? How can we say we love God if we don't love our brother?
4. **OBSERVE** 2 John 9 and 3 John 4. What do John's short letters say about abiding in the teaching of Christ and walking in the truth?
5. **APPLY** Revelation 2:1-7. Jesus praised the church at Ephesus but said they had abandoned their first love. How is your first love for Christ doing right now?

Week 25: Worthy is the Lamb

WEEK OF _____

☐ Day 1	Revelation 3-4
☐ Day 2	Revelation 5-6
☐ Day 3	Revelation 7-8
☐ Day 4	Revelation 9-10
☐ Day 5	Revelation 11-12
☐ *Days 6 & 7*	*Grace days: catch up, reread, or rest*

Talk it over

1. **OBSERVE** Revelation 3:14-22. What was wrong with the church at Laodicea? What did Jesus offer them in 3:19-20?
2. **UNDERSTAND** Revelation 4-5. Who is worthy to open the scroll, and why? What do you notice about the worship around the throne?
3. **OBSERVE** Revelation 7:9-17. Describe the great multitude. What comfort does God promise them?
4. **UNDERSTAND** Revelation 12:7-11. How did the saints overcome the accuser?
5. **APPLY** Revelation was written to encourage Christians who were suffering. What hard thing are you facing that this week's reading speaks to?

Week 26: Behold, I am making all things new

WEEK OF _____

☐	Day 1	Revelation 13-14
☐	Day 2	Revelation 15-16
☐	Day 3	Revelation 17-18
☐	Day 4	Revelation 19-20
☐	Day 5	Revelation 21-22
☐	*Days 6 & 7*	*Grace days: catch up, reread, or rest*

Talk it over

1. **OBSERVE** Revelation 14:13. What blessing is promised to those who die in the Lord?
2. **UNDERSTAND** Revelation 19:11-16. How is Jesus described as He rides out? What names does He carry?
3. **OBSERVE** Revelation 20:11-15. On what basis are the dead judged? What does that mean for how we live now?
4. **UNDERSTAND** Revelation 21:1-7 and 22:1-5. What will God wipe away, and what will be gone forever? What will we have?
5. **APPLY** Revelation 22:12-21. The Bible ends with an invitation: "Come." You just read the whole New Testament! What is the biggest thing God taught you, and what is your next step?