### BIBLE READING PLAN UNDER 5'S



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#### Welcome!

Every child needs to hear their parents speak about their faith.

Too often family devotions is a time when children are quizzed about what was just read. These Bible Reading Plans aim to help families establish regular routines where children and parents together read a story, respond to that story and pray about that story. A time where children hear their parents reflect on the Bible and pray about it.

The questions at the top of each double page are there as a guide. The questions increase in number as your child grows older. The important thing is that the Bible becomes the source of a daily conversation within the family home.

#### HOW TO USE THIS PLAN?

- Step 1 | Purchase the recommended books
- Step 2 | Read the story indicated
- Step 3 | Use the questions at the top of each double page to guide your discussion

#### Step 4 | Pray

**Tip:** Don't ask: Would you like to pray? We never want to give children the impression that, as his people, praying to God is optional. It's an absolute privilege to pray to our Father in heaven! Instead, begin praying and then ask: Whose turn is it next?

If you've already purchased a number of Bible story books, why not use the Bible Reading Bookmark instead.

The books recommended in these plans are interpretations of the Bible, not translations. So, even though some have the word 'Bible' in the title, they are not Bibles. This is one reason why you need so many Bible story books for children. Each of the books recommended has strengths and weaknesses. By varying what you read over a year, you balance out some of these.

Children aged 8-11 years can begin to use the International Children's Bible. This is a good translation for children with a reading age of 7 and up. It can then be used with the Bookmark for family devotions instead of the Bible Reading Plan. Or use a combination of both.

### **BOOKS RECOMMENDED UNDER 5'S**

**The Beginners Bible** 

Read Aloud Bible Stories Volumes 1-4 by Ella Lindvall (skip the 'what did you learn pages')

Stories Jesus Told by Nick Butterworth & Mick Inkpen

The Beginner's Gospel Story Bible by Jared Kennedy

Bake Through The Bible At Christmas by S. Bentley-Taylor & B. Moore

Goodbook Company Advent Calendar

The Christmas Promise by Alison Mitchell

Noah's Ark by Bethan Lycett

The Lost Sheep by Bethan Lycett

The Nativity by Bethan Lycett

The Pearl Of Great Price by Bethan Lycett

Books can be purchased online from: www.koorong.com www.thegoodbook.com.au

# JANUARY

Book for this month What do you like about the story? The Beginners Bible Pray about the story. 9 Jacob's Blessing 27 Ruth And Naomi 18 The Red Sea **The Beginners Bible** 1 The Beginning 19 Food From Heaven 10 Jacob's Dream 28 Hannah's Prayer 11 Jacob And Esau Meet 2 Adam And Eve 20 Ten Commandments 29 A Voice In The Night Again 12 Joseph's Colourful 3 The Sneaky Snake 21 Twelve Spies 30 Israel's First King Robe 4 Noah's Ark 13 Pharaoh's Dreams 22 Joshua And The Spies **31** A Good Heart 14 Joseph Saves His 5 The Tall Tower 23 The Battle Of Jericho Family 6 A New Home 24 Deborah Leads The Way 15 A Baby In A Basket 7 The Visitors 16 The Burning Bush 25 Gideon's Battle 8 A Bride For Isaac 17 Ten Plagues 26 Samson

# **FEBRUARY**

Book for this month What do you like about the story? The Beginners Bible Pray about the story. 9 Chariot Of Fire 27 Jesus' First Miracle 18 An Angel Visits Mary **The Beginners Bible** 28/29 Jesus Teaches On 19 Baby Jesus Is Born 1 David And Goliath 10 Jars Of Oil A Mountain 2 Best Friends 20 Shepherds Visit 11 Elisha's Room 21 Simeon And Anna 3 King David 12 Naaman Is Healed Meet Baby Jesus 22 The Bright Star And 4 The Lord Is My Shepherd 13 Boy King Josiah **Three Visitors** 5 The Wise King 14 The Brave Queen 23 An Angry King 6 God Watches Over Elijah 15 Fiery Furnace 24 Jesus Is Lost! 7 Elijah Helps A Widow 16 Daniel And The Lions 25 John Baptises Jesus 26 Jesus Chooses His 17 Jonah And The Big Fish 8 Fire From Heaven Disciples

## MARCH

#### Book for this month What do you like about the story? The Beginners Bible Pray about the story. 9 Jesus Heals A Blind 27 A Net Full Of Fish 18 Lazarus Lives Again **The Beginners Bible** Beggar 19 A Gift For Jesus 1 The Lord's Prayer 10 Money In A Fish 28 Jesus Goes To Heaven 2 A Captain's Faith 20 The True King 29 The Holy Spirit Comes 11 The Good Samaritan **3** A Hole In the Roof 12 Mary And Martha 21 A Poor Widow's Gift 30 The First Church 22 Washing The Disciples' 4 Jesus Calms The Storm 13 The Lost Sheep 31 The Lame Man Feet **5** Two Miracles 14 The Prodigal Son 23 The Last Supper 24 Jesus Is Arrested And 6 The Fishermen's Net 15 Ten Lepers Crucified 16 Jesus And The 7 Jesus Feeds Thousands 25 Jesus Is Risen! Children 8 Jesus Walks On Water 17 A Short Man 26 Jesus Returns

### **APRIL**

Books for this month The Beginners Bible Stories Jesus Told Read Aloud Bible Stories Vol 1-4		What do you like about the story? Pray about the story.	
The Beginners Bible	<b>7</b> The Boys And Girls And Jesus	<b>16</b> Noah's Big Boat	Stories Jesus Told
1 A Changed Man	8 The Wind That Obeyed	<b>17</b> God Gives His People Bread To Eat	25 The Lost Sheep
2 Paul's Journeys	<b>9</b> The Man Who Said, "Thank You"	18 Daniel And The Lions	26 The Precious Pearl
3 Earthquake In Prison	10 Simon And His Boat	<b>19</b> Baby Jesus And The Good News	27 The Two Sons
4 Jesus Is Coming!	11 The Boy Who Went Away	<b>20</b> Joseph And His Brothers	28 The House On The Rock
Read Aloud Bible Stories Vol 1-4	<b>12</b> The Boy Who Shared His Lunch	<b>21</b> The Baby In The Basket	29 The Ten Silver Coins
(skip the 'what did you learn page' at the end of each story)	13 The Man Who Helped	<b>22</b> Joshua And The Big Wall	<b>30</b> The Good Stranger
<b>5</b> The Man Who Was Too Little	<b>14</b> A Sad Day and A Happy Day	<b>23</b> David And The Biggest Man	
<b>6</b> The Man Who Couldn't See	<b>15</b> How God Made The World	<b>24</b> Jonah And The Big Fish	



#### Books for this month

Stories Jesus Told The Beginner's Gospel Story Bible

Stories Jesus Told	8 Jacob Has A Dream	17 The Snake On A Stick	<b>26</b> Queen Esther Speaks Up
1 The Rich Farmer	9 Joseph's Brothers Sell Him	18 The Wall Falls Down	27 Nehemiah Is Sad
The Beginner's Gospel Story Bible	<b>10</b> Miriam Watches The Basket	<b>19</b> God Gives Naomi A New Family	<b>28</b> Zechariah Can't Talk
2 God Makes Everything	11 A Bush Is On Fire But Doesn't Burn Up	<b>20</b> Hannah Prays	29 Jesus Is Born
<b>3</b> Adam And Eve Disobey	12 Stubborn King Pharaoh Says No!	21 David Fights Goliath	<b>30</b> Wise Men Bring Presents
4 God Sends A Rainbow	13 What Is The Lamb For?	<b>22</b> David And Jonathan Are Friends	<b>31</b> Joseph And Mary Lose Jesus
<b>5</b> Abraham Counts The Stars	14 No Way To Escape	<b>23</b> Solomon Chooses Wisely	
<b>6</b> Rebekah Gives The Camels Water Too!	15 A Cow Popped Out!	<b>24</b> Jeremiah Is Thrown Into A Pit	
<b>7</b> Surprise! God Chooses Jacob	<b>16</b> Ten Spies Give A Bad Report	<b>25</b> Three Friends Won't Bow	



#### Books for this month

The Beginner's Cospel Story Bible The Beginners Bible





### Book for this month The Beginners Bible



## AUGUST



# **SEPTEMBER**

Books for this month The Beginners Bible The Christmas Promise The Nativity	Noah's Ark The Lost Sheep The Pearl Of Great Price	What do you like about the story? Pray about the story.	
The Beginners Bible	<b>9</b> The True King	18 The Holy Spirit Comes	The Nativity
1 Mary And Martha	10 A Poor Widow's Gift	<b>19</b> The First Church	<b>26</b> The Nativity
<b>2</b> The Lost Sheep	11 Washing The Disciples' Feet	20 The Lame Man	Noah's Ark
<b>3</b> The Prodigal Son	12 The Last Supper	<b>21</b> A Changed Man	<b>27</b> Noah's Ark
4 Ten Lepers	13 Jesus Is Arrested And Crucified	<b>22</b> Paul's Journeys	The Lost Sheep
<b>5</b> Jesus And The Children	14 Jesus Is Risen!	23 Earthquake In Prison	28 The Lost Sheep
<b>6</b> A Short Man	15 Jesus Returns	24 Jesus Is Coming!	The Pearl Of Great Price
7 Lazarus Lives Again	16 A Net Full Of Fish	The Christmas Promise	29 The Pearl Of Great Price
8 A Gift For Jesus	17 Jesus Goes To Heaven	<b>25</b> The Christmas Promise	<b>30</b> Choose your favourite story

# **OCTOBER**

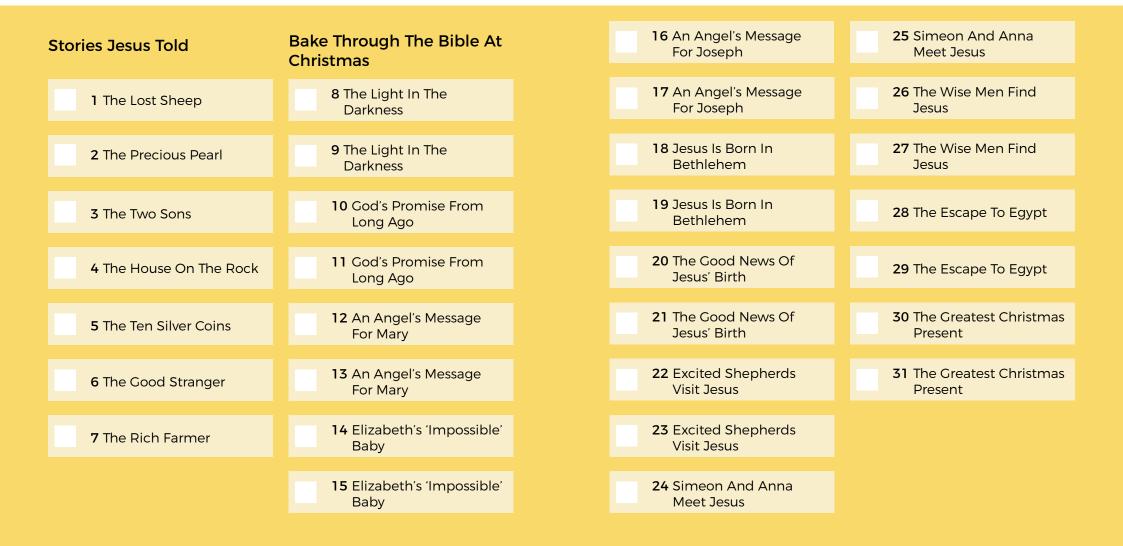
Book for this month Read Aloud Bible Stories Vol 1-4

<b>Read Aloud Bible Stories</b> <b>Vol 1-4</b> (skip the 'what did you learn page'	8 The Wind That Obeyed	17 The Man Who Helped	<b>26</b> Baby Jesus And The Good News
at the end of each story)	<b>9</b> The Man Who Said, "Thank You"	18 The Man Who Helped	<b>27</b> Joseph And His Brothers
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<b>7</b> The Wind That Obeyed	<b>16</b> The Boy Who Shared His Lunch	25 Daniel And The Lions	

# **NOVEMBER**

#### Books for this month

Stories Jesus Told Bake Through The Bible At Christmas



# DECEMBER

Books for this month Goodbook Company Advent Calendar The Christmas Promise	The Nativity Noah's Ark The Lost Sheep The Pearl Of Great Price	What do you like about the s Pray about the story.	story?
Goodbook Company Advent Calendar	<b>9</b> Advent Calendar Day 9	<b>18</b> Advent Calendar Day 18	The Christmas Promise
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<b>2</b> Advent Calendar Day 2	11 Advent Calendar Day 11	<b>20</b> Advent Calendar Day 20	The Nativity 27 The Nativity
<b>3</b> Advent Calendar Day 3	12 Advent Calendar Day 12	<b>21</b> Advent Calendar Day 21	Noah's Ark
<b>4</b> Advent Calendar Day 4	13 Advent Calendar Day 13	<b>22</b> Advent Calendar Day 22	28 Noah's Ark
<b>5</b> Advent Calendar Day 5	14 Advent Calendar Day 14	<b>23</b> Advent Calendar Day 23	The Lost Sheep
			29 The Lost Sheep
<b>6</b> Advent Calendar Day 6	15 Advent Calendar Day 15	<b>24</b> Advent Calendar Day 24	The Pearl Of Great Price
<b>7</b> Advent Calendar Day 7	<b>16</b> Advent Calendar Day 16	<b>25</b> Advent Calendar Day 25	<b>30</b> The Pearl Of Great Price
<b>8</b> Advent Calendar Day 8	<b>17</b> Advent Calendar Day 17		31 Choose your favourite story