



THE HEART OF LIVING HOPE
READING PLAN

JANUARY-APRIL | 2026



BIBLE READING PLAN

Instructions

Join with our faith family as together we hear, read, consider, pray, and memorize the word of God that is "living and active...profitable for teaching, reproof, correction, and training in righteousness, so that the person dedicated to God may be equipped for every good work." (*Hebrews 4:12; 2 Timothy 3:16-17, NEB*)

Each Saturday we will read and pray through the Scripture text for that Sunday's message. Pray for Pastor Jason and other preachers who will proclaim the gospel through messages from the series, "The Heart of Living Hope in the Stories of Jesus." It's a celebration of the gospel that has defined Living Hope Baptist Church for the past fifty years through an exploration of the parables of Jesus. Pray that the Holy Spirit will prepare your heart and the hearts of all in our faith-family to listen carefully, think deeply, feel rightly, and live that Scripture joyfully with our lives.

From Monday through Friday each week, the 2026 Bible Reading Plan will help us get to know our spiritual heritage through **the Bible's accounts of the lives and faith of the towering personalities of the Scriptures** like Abraham and Sara, Joseph, Moses, Ruth, King David, Esther, Peter, Paul and more. We'll slowly walk through the stories of their lives – their encounters with God; their choices, triumphs, and failures; their leadership of God's people; their contribution to the advance of God's mission; the development of their character, and more. As we enter into these lives and learn from their experiences and examples (both positive and negative), pray that the Lord will deepen our faith and shape us more like Jesus.

You will also find sections of the plan designed to prepare our hearts for both **Easter and Christmas** this year.



Sunday's message



Towering personalities



Easter & Christmas

Five Key Questions:

1

What is the context or setting of this chapter/ passage?

It's always important to note what comes before and after a chapter or passage. If it is a story, grasp the basics of what is happening with the 5 W's: Who? What? When? Where? Why? If it is a teaching passage, identify the subject being addressed and the flow of the ideas or truths. Note any repeated words or phrases.

2

What does this teach me about God (the Father, Son, and/or Holy Spirit), His character and ways?

3

What does this show me about the beauty or brokenness of human beings?

4

What does this reveal about the Gospel of Jesus?

Think through the 4 aspects of The Story of Scripture (Creation, Fall, Rescue, and Restoration); or The Three Circles (God's Design, Sin & Brokenness, and the Gospel of Jesus who came, lived, died in our place, rose again, now reigns as King, and will return).

5

How should this passage change me?

Is there...

- a **truth** to learn or believe?
- an **error** to correct?
- an **example** to follow?
- a reason to **praise**?
- a **sin** to avoid or confess?
- a **promise** to grasp?
- a **command** to obey?

You might want to use a simple journal to jot down some of your observations. That's one way to make it "stick" to your heart more easily.



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January

1	Genesis 11:27-12:20	ABRAHAM & SARA
2	Genesis 13	
3	Matthew 13:34	
5	Genesis 14	
6	Genesis 15	
7	Genesis 16	
8	Genesis 17	
9	Genesis 18	
10	Luke 15:11-20a	
12	Genesis 19	
13	Genesis 20	
14	Genesis 21	
15	Genesis 22; Hebrews 11:17-19	
16	Genesis 23	
17	Luke 15:25-30	
19	Genesis 24	
20	Genesis 25:1-11	
21	Hebrews 11:8-12; Romans 4	
22	Luke 1:5-25, 39-45	JOHN THE BAPTIZER
23	Luke 1: 57-80	
24	Luke 15:20b-24, 28b, 31-32	
26	Luke 3:1-22	
27	Luke 7:18-35	
28	John 1:6-8, 19-37	
29	John 3:22-30, 5:32-35	
30	John 14:1-13	
31	Luke 18:1-8	



Sunday's message



Towering personalities

January Memory Verse

Jesus said, "I tell you, there is joy before the angels of God over one sinner who repents." Luke 15:10



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February

2	Exodus 1	MOSES 1
3	Exodus 2; Hebrews 11:23-27	
4	Exodus 3	
5	Exodus 4	
6	Exodus 5	
7	Luke 11:5-13; Matt 7:7-11	
9	Exodus 6	
10	Exodus 7	
11	Exodus 8	
12	Exodus 9	
13	Exodus 10	
14	Matt 7:24-27	
16	Exodus 11	
17	Exodus 12; Hebrews 11:28	
18	Exodus 13	
19	Exodus 14	
20	Exodus 15	
21	Matt 18:21-35	
23	Exodus 16; John 6:30-35	
24	Exodus 17	
25	Exodus 18	
26	Exodus 19	
27	Exodus 20	
28	Matt 21:33-44	



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February Memory Verse

Jesus said, "Everyone who hears these words of mine and does them will be like a wise man who built his house on the rock." Matthew 7:24



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March

2 Exodus 23:20-24:18

3 Exodus 25

4 Exodus 26

5 Exodus 27

6 Exodus 28

7 Luke 16:1-13

9 Exodus 29

10 Exodus 30

11 Exodus 31

12 Exodus 32

13 Exodus 33-34

14 Matt 9:16-17

16 Exodus 35-36

17 Exodus 37

18 Exodus 38

19 Exodus 39

20 Exodus 40

21 Matt 13:33

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23 Mark 10:32-45

24 Luke 18:31-43

25 Matthew 20:1-19

26 Luke 19:1-10

27 John 11:55-12:8

28 Matt 21:11

29 Luke 19:28-44

30 Matthew 21:12-17; Luke 19:47-48

31 Matthew 26:1-5, 14-15



Sunday's message



Easter

March Memory Verse

For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

Matthew 6:21

**WALKING THE GOSPEL ROAD**

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| 1 | Luke 20:1-18 |
| 2 | Matt 26:26-56 |
| 3 | Luke 23:13-56 |
| 4 | Matt 28:1-8 |
| 5 | Luke 24:1-12, 36-42 |

6	Numbers 11
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MOSES 2

7	Numbers 12
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8	Numbers 13
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9	Numbers 14
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10	Numbers 15
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11	Luke 10:25-37
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13	Numbers 16
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14	Numbers 20
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15	Numbers 21
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16	Deuteronomy 1
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17	Deuteronomy 2
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18	Luke 15:8-10
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20	Deuteronomy 3
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22	Deuteronomy 5
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23	Deuteronomy 6
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24	Deuteronomy 7
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25	Luke 16:19-31
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27	Deuteronomy 8
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28	Deuteronomy 28
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29	Deuteronomy 29
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30	Deuteronomy 30
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 **Sunday's message**

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 **Easter**

April Memory Verse

And the King will answer them, "Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me." Matthew 25:40

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