



Daily Bible Reading

DECEMBER

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| 1 st | Daniel 8:1-27 1 John 2:1-17 Psalm 120:1-7 Proverbs 28:25-26 | 14 th | Jonah 1:1 – 4:11 Revelation 5:1-14 Psalm 133:1-3 Proverbs 29:26-27 |
| 2 nd | Daniel 9:1 – 10:21 1 John 2:18 – 3:6 Psalm 121:1-8 Proverbs 28:27-28 | 15 th | Micah 1:1 – 4:13 Revelation 6:1-17 Psalm 134:1-3 Proverbs 30:1-4 |
| 3 rd | Daniel 11:1-34 1 John 3:7-24 Psalm 122:1-9 Proverbs 29:1 | 16 th | Micah 5:1 – 7:20 Revelation 7:1-17 Psalm 135:1-21 Proverbs 30:5-6 |
| 4 th | Daniel 11:35 – 12:13 1 John 4:1-21 Psalm 123:1-4 Proverbs 29:2-4 | 17 th | Nahum 1:1 – 3:19 Revelation 8:1-13 Psalm 136:1-26 Proverbs 30:7-9 |
| 5 th | Hosea 1:1 – 3:5 1 John 5:1-21 Psalm 124:1-8 Proverbs 29:5-8 | 18 th | Habakkuk 1:1 – 3:19 Revelation 9:1-21 Psalm 137:1-9 Proverbs 30:10 |
| 6 th | Hosea 4:1 – 5:15 2 John 1:1-13 Psalm 125:1-5 Proverbs 29:9-11 | 19 th | Zephaniah 1:1 – 3:20 Revelation 10:1-11 Psalm 138:1-8 Proverbs 30:11-14 |
| 7 th | Hosea 6:1 – 9:17 3 John 1:1-15 Psalm 126:1-6 Proverbs 29:12-14 | 20 th | Haggai 1:1 – 2:23 Revelation 11:1-19 Psalm 139:1-24 Proverbs 30:15-16 |
| 8 th | Hosea 10:1 – 14:9 Jude 1-25 Psalm 127:1-5 Proverbs 29:15-17 | 21 st | Zechariah 1:1-21 Revelation 12:1-17 Psalm 140:1-13 Proverbs 30:17 |
| 9 th | Joel 1:1 – 3:21 Revelation 1:1-20 Psalm 128:1-6 Proverbs 29:18 | 22 nd | Zechariah 2:1 – 3:10 Revelation 13:1-18 Psalm 141:1-10 Proverbs 30:18-20 |
| 10 th | Amos 1:1 – 3:15 Revelation 2:1-17 Psalm 129:1-8 Proverbs 29:19-20 | 23 rd | Zechariah 4:1 – 5:11 Revelation 14:1-20 Psalm 142:1-7 Proverbs 30:21-23 |
| 11 th | Amos 4:1 – 6:14 Revelation 2:18 – 3:6 Psalm 130:1-8 Proverbs 29:21-22 | 24 th | Zechariah 6:1 – 7:14 Revelation 15:1-8 Psalm 143:1-12 Proverbs 30:24-28 |
| 12 th | Amos 7:1 – 9:15 Revelation 3:7-22 Psalm 131:1-3 Proverbs 29:23 | 25 th | Zechariah 8:1-23 Revelation 16:1-21 Psalm 144:1-15 Proverbs 30:29-31 |
| 13 th | Obadiah 1-21 Revelation 4:1-11 Psalm 132:1-18 Proverbs 29:24-25 | 26 th | Zechariah 9:1-17 Revelation 17:1-18 Psalm 145:1-21 Proverbs 30:32 |

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| 27 th | Zechariah 10:1 – 11:17 Revelation 18:1-24 Psalm 146:1-10 Proverbs 30:33 | 30 th | Psalm 148:1-14 Proverbs 31:8-9 Malachi 1:1 – 2:17 Revelation 21:1-27 |
| 28 th | Zechariah 12:1 – 13:9 Revelation 19:1-21 Psalm 147:1-20 Proverbs 31:1-7 | 31 st | Psalm 149:1-9 Proverbs 31:10-24 Malachi 3:1 – 4:6 Revelation 22:1-21 |
| 29 th | Zechariah 14:1-21 Revelation 20:1-15 | | Psalm 150:1-6 Proverbs 31:25-31 |

Overview of Books

Hosea

- AUTHOR: Hosea
- RECIPIENTS: Israel
- TIME: 758-722 B.C.
- PEOPLE: Hosea, his unfaithful wife, Gomer, and their children
- EVENTS: Hosea restores his unfaithful wife
- BIG IDEAS: God's faithful love for His people in spite of their idolatry.

Joel

- AUTHOR: Joel
- RECIPIENTS: Judah (Southern Kingdom)
- TIME: 835-796 B.C.
- PEOPLE: Jews in Southern Kingdom
- EVENTS: Invasion of locusts and severe economic devastation
- BIG IDEAS: The Day of the Lord
 - Judgments
 - Blessings

Amos

- AUTHOR: Amos
- RECIPIENTS: Israel
- TIME: 760 B.C.
- PEOPLE: Amos, the leaders of the Northern Kingdom and their wives
- EVENTS: Earthquake signs the beginning of God's judgment against the nations, Judah and Israel
- BIG IDEAS: Absence of true worship; Absence of justice

Obadiah

- AUTHOR: Obadiah
- RECIPIENTS: Judeans
- TIME: 848-841 B.C.
- PEOPLE: Descendants of Jacob and Esau
- EVENTS: Prophecy of the doom of Edom for its many sins against his 'brother'; Fulfillment of the 'curse' part of Abrahamic Covenant
- BIG IDEAS: Judgment of Edom by God for cursing Israel; Judah's restoration

Jonah

- AUTHOR: Jonah
- RECIPIENTS: the northern tribes
- TIME: 760 B.C.
- PEOPLE: Jonah, shipment, the King, nobles and people of Nineveh
- EVENTS: Jonah sent to Nineveh; Jonah flees from God; Nineveh repents upon hearing the message Jonah reluctantly preaches
- BIG IDEAS: The compassion of God on Jew and Gentile alike

Overview of Books (cont.)

Micah

- AUTHOR: Micah
- RECIPIENTS: So. Kingdom, Judah
- EVENTS: God's people are unrepentant for their idolatry and social injustice
- BIG IDEAS: The sins of God's people; the punishment to come; hope for the faithful after judgment

Nahum

- AUTHOR: Nahum
- RECIPIENTS: Judah
- EVENTS: God's patience with Assyria, expressed in Jonah, has now expired (100 years later)
- BIG IDEAS: Judgment against Nineveh for its sin against God and cruelty to man; Comfort to Judah

Habakkuk

- AUTHOR: Habakkuk
- RECIPIENTS: God
- EVENTS: Habakkuk debates with God and, like Job, concludes that above all, Yahweh is righteous and a God to be trusted in all circumstances
- BIG IDEAS: God will judge sin; His people are to trust in Him

Zephaniah

- AUTHOR: Zephaniah
- RECIPIENTS: Judah
- EVENTS: Hilkiah the High-Priest finds the Book of the Law; King Josiah initiates extensive reforms
- BIG IDEAS: 'The Day of the Lord' is near; God's judgment against Judah; God's judgment against the nations; God's redemption of the humble remnant

Haggai

- AUTHOR: Haggai
- RECIPIENTS: Zerubbabel, Joshua, people in Jerusalem
- EVENTS: 5 messages calling for the rebuilding of the Temple
- BIG IDEAS: 'God's people need to rebuild the temple to receive the spiritual blessing of His presence and His physical blessing on their lives

Zechariah

- AUTHOR: Zechariah
- RECIPIENTS: postexilic leaders and community of Jews
- EVENTS: 8 night visions; Temple rebuilt
- BIG IDEAS: Prophecy about Jesus Christ, focusing on His coming glory as a means to comfort Israel before 400 years of silence

Malachi

- AUTHOR: Malachi
- RECIPIENTS: Israel
- TIME: 433-424 B.C.
- PEOPLE: Jews who had returned from exile living in their land for about 100 years
- EVENTS: God's people had become lax in their worship and duties to the Temple, reverting to old sins of intermarriage
- BIG IDEAS: God's final call to repentance before 400 years of silence and the coming of John the Baptist, and Messiah who would begin the fulfillment of OT promises to the Jews

II & III John

- AUTHOR: John
- RECIPIENTS: Friends of John
- EVENTS: False prophets were being welcomed and true ministers being refused hospitality
- BIG IDEAS: Christian Hospitality
 - Do not entertain false prophets
 - Welcome faithful ministers

Jude

- AUTHOR: Jude (brother of the Lord)
- RECIPIENTS: Jewish Christians somewhere in Palestine
- TIME: A.D. 68-70
- PEOPLE: Jude; false teachers (apostates)
- EVENTS: Christianity is under severe spiritual attack; All of the Apostles except for John have been martyred
- BIG IDEAS: Jude condemns apostates and calls true believers to contend for the faith

Revelation

- AUTHOR: John
- RECIPIENTS: seven churches of Asia Minor
- TIME: A.D. 94-96
- PEOPLE: John, the 7 churches
- EVENTS: Fulfillment of OT prophecies; Faithfulness of God to keep His promises to redeem His saints; Summation of human history; final judgment of Satan
- BIG IDEAS: Revelation of Jesus Christ in all of His glory; the final chapter in God's story of redemption and His victory in the holy war that has raged since Creation