



5 YEAR CHRISTIAN READING PLAN

... that you, being rooted and grounded in love, may be able to comprehend, **with all the saints** what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ which surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled up to all the fullness of God (Ephesians 3:18-19).

Year 1

<i>Evangelistic Sermons</i>	David Martyn Lloyd-Jones
<i>Pilgrim's Progress</i>	John Bunyan
<i>The Knowledge of the Holy</i>	A. W. Tozer
<i>Five English Reformers</i>	J. C. Ryle
<i>Profiting from the Word</i>	A. W. Pink
<i>A Guide to Prayer</i>	Isaac Watts

Year 2

<i>The Everlasting Righteousness</i>	Horatius Bonar
<i>The Ten Commandments</i>	Thomas Watson
<i>The Incomparable Christ</i>	J. Oswald Sanders
<i>Worldly Saints: The Puritans as They Really Were</i>	Leland Ryken
<i>Call the Sabbath a Delight</i>	Walter Chantry
<i>A Method for Prayer</i>	Matthew Henry

Year 3

<i>The Gospel According to Jesus</i>	John MacArthur
<i>The Sermon on the Mount</i>	David Martyn Lloyd-Jones
<i>Knowing God</i>	J. I. Packer
<i>Christian Leaders of the 18th Century</i>	J. C. Ryle
<i>Psalms 119</i>	Charles Bridges
<i>Letters of Samuel Rutherford</i>	Andrew Bonar, editor

Year 4

<i>Revival and Revivalism</i>	Iain Murray
<i>Spiritual Depression</i>	David Martyn Lloyd-Jones
<i>The End for Which God Created the World</i> (in <i>God's Passion for His Glory</i> , John Piper)	Jonathan Edwards
<i>Singing in the Fire</i>	Faith Cook

Holiness (in *Faithfulness and Holiness*, by J. I. Packer)
The Mortification of Sin

J. C. Ryle

John Owen (abridgment by Richard Rushing)

Year 5

Revival
Desiring God
The Mystery of Divine Providence
Hudson Taylor in Early Years
A Call to Spiritual Reformation
Morning Exercises

David Martyn Lloyd-Jones
John Piper
John Flavel
Dr. and Mrs. Howard Taylor
D. A. Carson
William Jay

These are . . .

1. Titles that have influenced my own spirit and convictions.
2. Titles in six categories (gospel, theology, Church history, etc.)
3. Titles that combine sound instruction with warm, spiritual insight.
4. Titles that tend to correct Christian misunderstandings.
5. Titles that will nurture your appetite for substantive Christian literature.
6. Titles in print.

Suggestions:

1. Add your reading of these to your regular devotional time.
2. Read even 10-15 minutes a day, five days a week.
3. Overview a book and its chapters before beginning.
4. Use a series of colored highlighters to outline harder books.
5. Store some of the good thoughts in the margin of your Bible.
6. Don't fret over not finishing a title.
7. Move on to the next new title every couple of months, or . . .
8. . . . read more than one title at a time.
9. Talk to someone about your reading. Share it!
10. Buy a book for someone else.

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