

Greetings Grove Church,

As God's people, we want to be guided by His Word and empowered by His Spirit to be a Christ-centered church that is pursuing a life of discipleship and living life on mission.

We would like to provide for you a reading plan to accompany the 1 Timothy sermon series this fall. As you read and study God's Word, take a moment to stop, take a deep breath and ask God to speak to you through His Word. Preparation reminds us that reading the Bible is a sacred act in which we invite God to speak to us. Below is a suggested way to read the passages we have included.

Read: As you read through the passage, make a note of anything that pops out to you or raises a question in you. Try not to get so focused on one phrase or verse, just make a note of it. After reading through the passage once, read through the passage once or twice more, this time thinking about what stands out in this passage and what impression it leaves on you. Reading out loud can be helpful too, as it can help us understand what we're reading and help us process each verse of the passage.

Reflect: Now that you've read the passage through, take time to reflect on what you've just read, using a journal or a note-taking app on your smart device that you can look at again in the future. As you reflect on the passage, try thinking through two questions:

- What does this passage reveal to us about God?
- What does this passage reveal to us about people?

Respond: After reflecting on the passage, it's time to respond. All of Scripture is inspired by God, and a message so perfect and powerful demands a response from us. So, in light of the truth you've just read, consider these two questions:

- What's this passage calling me to do today?
- What's this passage calling me to pray for today?

We don't expect our lives will be profoundly changed every time we read our Bible. However, we do know that we are becoming a more faithful people every time we open and engage our Bibles. This is a discipline which will slowly transform us as we consistently study God's Word.

Reading Plan for Life In The Kingdom

September 20-26: Acts 16:1-4, Acts 19:1-40, Ephesians 1:1-14

September 27-October 3: Acts 20:13-36, Ephesians 1:15-25

October 4-10: Ephesians 2:1-10, 1 Timothy 1:1-11

October 11-17: Ephesians 2:11-22, 1 Timothy 1:12-20

October 18-24: Ephesians 3:1-13, 1 Timothy 2:1-15

October 25-31: Ephesians 3:14-21, 1 Timothy 3:1-13

November 1-7: Ephesians 4:1-16, 1 Timothy 3:14-4:5

November 8-14: Ephesians 4:17-32, 1 Timothy 4:6-16

November 15-21: Ephesians 5:1-21, 1 Timothy 5:1-16

November 22-28: Ephesians 5:22-33, 1 Timothy 5:17-25

November 29-December 5: Ephesians 6:1-9, 1 Timothy 6:1-10

December 6-12: Ephesians 6:10-24, 1 Timothy 6:11-21

May God bless you all as you journey into His Word.

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