

Like any relationship, understanding God's Word grows gradually over time through consistency, humility, prayer, and continued exposure to Scripture.

At Calvary Chapel Solid Rock, we strongly encourage believers to read the Bible regularly and consistently for themselves. We especially encourage newer believers not to become overwhelmed trying to understand every difficult passage immediately. Often, it is helpful to begin with simpler, more practical sections of Scripture, such as the Gospels, while continuing to grow in understanding over time.

We also believe reading the Bible should not remain merely intellectual. God desires His Word to move beyond our minds and into our daily lives. Scripture is meant to shape how we think, speak, live, love, forgive, worship, serve, and follow Jesus.



*"But be doers of the word
and not hearers only,
deceiving yourselves."*

-James 1:22 NKJV

At Calvary Chapel Solid Rock, we believe one of the greatest ways believers grow spiritually is through consistent exposure to the Word of God over time. It's why we are committed to teaching it verse by verse. As we continue learning, reading, listening, and responding to Scripture, the Lord faithfully uses His Word to transform His people.

If you have questions about the Bible, would like help getting started, or want to grow deeper in your understanding of Scripture, we would love to help you.

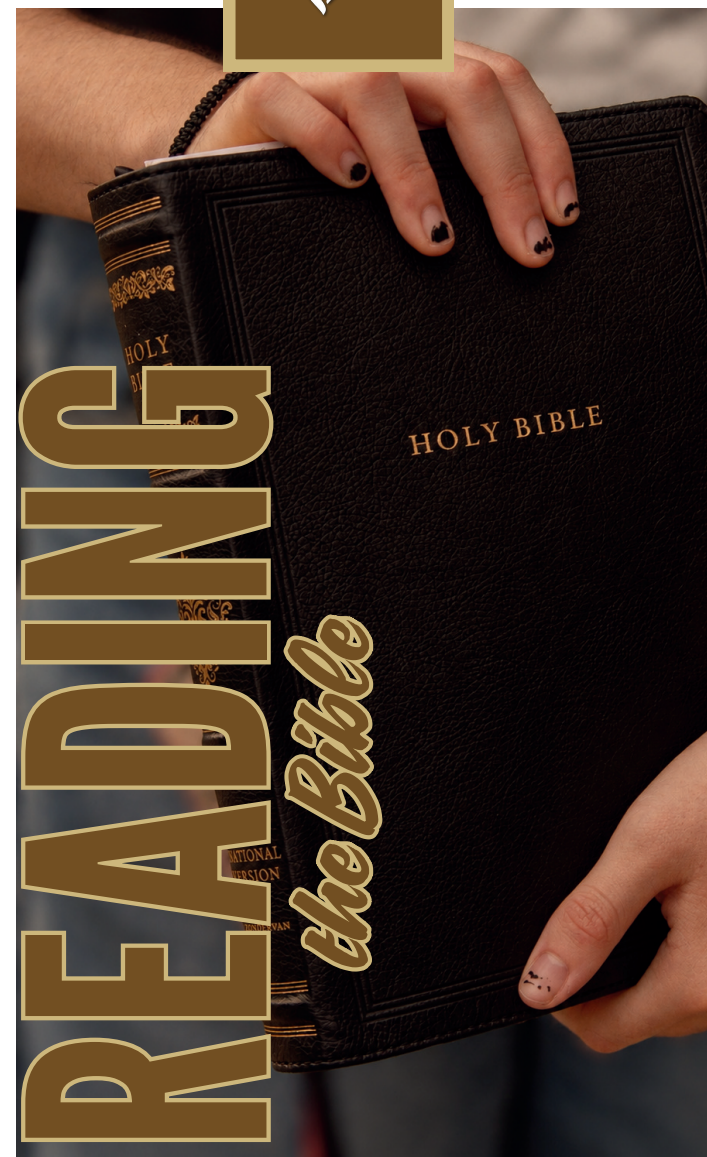
SERVICE TIMES

SUNDAY MORNING | 9:00 & 11:00

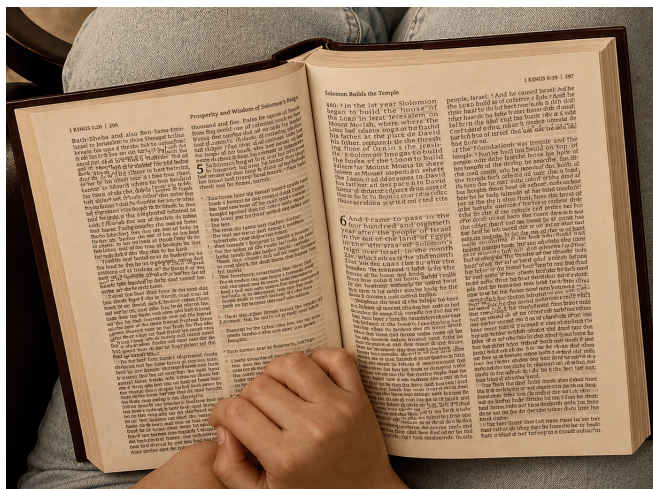
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At Calvary Chapel Solid Rock, we believe the Bible is not merely a religious book filled with information, but living truth through which God continues to speak to and shape His people.

One of the simple phrases often associated with Calvary Chapel is: "The Word of God does the work of God in the people of God." As believers consistently spend time in God's Word, the Holy Spirit uses Scripture to gradually transform lives from the inside out.

The Bible also teaches us how to live in a world constantly trying to shape our thinking away from God. Rather than reshaping Scripture around culture, opinions, emotions, or personal preferences, we believe God's Word should shape and correct us.

**"Your Word I have hidden in my heart, that I might not sin against You."
-Psalm 119:11 NKJV**

For many people, reading the Bible can feel intimidating at first. Some people do not know where to begin. Others become discouraged when they encounter difficult passages or things they do not immediately understand.

But spiritual growth does not come from understanding everything all at once. It comes from consistently spending time in God's Word over time and responding to what the Lord is teaching us along the way.

Often, it is better to focus on what you do understand rather than becoming discouraged over what you do not yet understand.

In many ways, reading the Bible can be like pouring water through a sieve. A sieve doesn't really hold much water, but if you keep pouring water into it, over time you will end up with one clean sieve.

**CONSISTENT TIME IN GOD'S WORD
GRADUALLY CHANGES OUR HEARTS,
MINDS, DESIRES, AND PERSPECTIVES.**

At the same time, reading the Bible should not become simply a matter of checking off religious boxes or rushing through chapters mechanically. We encourage people to slow down, think about what they are reading, meditate on Scripture, and remain sensitive to what the Lord may be speaking to their hearts.

Sometimes a single verse, thought, conviction, or promise may stand out or pierce your heart while reading. Rather than quickly dismissing it, pause and spend time seeking the Lord about it. Pray through it. Think carefully about it. Ask God for wisdom and understanding. If needed, ask a mature believer, pastor, or church leader for help or clarification.



READING THE BIBLE

The Bible is the Word of God given to reveal who He is, what He has done, His promises, and how He desires people to live.

Through Scripture, God teaches us truth, renews our minds, strengthens our faith, transforms our hearts, corrects our thinking, and helps us grow in our relationship with Him.

**"All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness."
-2 Timothy 3:16 NKJV**