



— The Bread of Life —
 Daily Bible readings
 for home devotions during 2010

This program of Bible readings is built on the framework of Scripture readings used at Messiah of Eau Claire during 2006. Sundays are omitted, as indicated by a line below Saturday's date. May our Lord Jesus bless you richly by His Spirit with His Word!

— JANUARY —

Date	Scripture	Thought prompted by the text	Hymn
1	John 1:1-13	Jesus has lived before the Beginning.	116
2	John 1:14-28	Of His fullness we have all received.	398
4	Psalms 33:1-22	Let us rejoice in the LORD this new year!	124
5	Luke 4:16-21	God opened His heart to His friends.	123
6	1 Timothy 6:11-19	A good confession is a strong point.	121
7	Colossians 1:19-23	Jesus, keep us in Your good graces!	348
8	Matthew 3:13-17	Jesus was anointed for His Savior-work.	134
9	1 Kings 19:1-18	God does miracles also by whispering.	249
11	Psalms 122	God invites us! Let's go to His house!	13
12	John 1:35-51	Look! Here's the Lamb of God!	358
13	Hebrews 3:1-14	Jesus has many winning attributes.	353
14	1 Corinthians 1:20-31	We belong to God with and in Jesus.	381
15	Luke 2:41-52	Jesus accepted the harness of the Law.	133
<u>16</u>	Romans 12:1-5	God has dealt a measure to each of us.	472
18	Deuteronomy 18:15-22	His Word is the gold standard.	294
19	John 3:22-36	Jesus came to speak His Father's Word.	297
20	1 Corinthians 2:1-16	Paul's work was really God's work.	496
21	Galatians 1:6-16	There are good salesmen in pulpits.	492
22	John 12:1-11	Concentrate on the Maker, not the vintage.	131
<u>23</u>	Romans 12:6-16	Overwhelmed by 27 admonitions?	406
25	Isaiah 61:1-7	What a great rescue and comfort is ours!	352
26	John 4:5-29	How lovely shines the Morning Star!	343
27	Romans 1:13-25	We are freed from Satan's chain-gang!	383
28	1 Timothy 6:1-5	You are God's child also at your job.	33
29	Romans 12:17-21	Life is programmed by the heart/soul.	412
<u>30</u>	Matthew 8:1-13	Help others with your skills and resources!	532

— FEBRUARY —

1	Job 7:1-7	Jesus is the answer to life's problems.	348
2	John 12:44-50	We listen to everything Jesus has to say.	296
3	1 Corinthians 8	Brotherly love is the better way.	464
4	Mark 8:34-38	What is self-denial but love for others?	346
5	Romans 14:1-10	Love turns options into opportunities.	400

<u>6</u>	1 Corinthians 9:16-23	Love changes burdens to blessings.	36
8	Jeremiah 24:1-10	#1 quality is good enough for His use.	295
9	John 5:1-18	Jesus gives the best Bethesda healing.	379
10	Romans 8:1-11	Jesus knows good and bad figs; do we?	31
11	1 John 5:14-21	God puts His good product in His basket.	389
12	Matthew 13:24-30	God has ways of weeding His grain-field.	571
<u>13</u>	Colossians 3:12-17	Let us “walk the walk” of God’s choosing!	409
15	1 Peter 1:16-21	In the afterglow of the Transfiguration --	135
16	Exodus 19:3-8	A covenant broken is dysfunctional.	28
17	Luke 9:18-26	Ash Wednesday	
		“Who do you say that I am?”	353
18	1 Thessalonians 1:1-10	Empowered to be faithful followers --	410
19	Matthew 20:1-16	The privilege is ours to serve Jesus for life.	405
<u>20</u>	1 Corinthians 9:24-10:5	Lessons can be learned from history.	416
22	Micah 6:1-8	The real problem is a wrong attitude.	449
23	Micah 6:9-16	What does this mean for us personally?	447
24	Matthew 5:1-12	Blessings multiply more blessings.	529
25	Luke 6:20-26	Without His blessing--big troubles!	413
26	1 Corinthians 1:16-31	God works with improbable means.	366
<u>27</u>	Colossians 2:6-10	God doesn’t short-change His children.	477

— MARCH —

1	Genesis 2:7-9,15-17	Many blessings; only one restriction.	282
2	Genesis 3:1-7	Satan capitalizes on human hankerings.	149
3	Matthew 4:1-11	Satan lures with “You deserve better!”	449
4	Luke 4:1-13	Self-sacrifice is Jesus’ entire program.	262
5	Romans 5:12,17-19	God takes positive steps in grace.	374
<u>6</u>	1 Corinthians 15:21-28	Jesus counterbalances the scales.	187
8	Jeremiah 17:5-14	The LORD allows us no middle ground.	452
9	Luke 22:31-34	“Why are you sleeping?”	159
10	Hebrews 4:15-5:9	Jesus was chosen for His special work.	531
11	1 John 3:7-12	Now, don’t let anyone fool you!	251
12	John 1:28-40	This is the gracious work of our loving God.	477
<u>13</u>	2 Corinthians 6:1-10	Our assignment is salvage and clean-up.	493
15	Psalms 130	Remember us, Jesus, in our need!	320
16	Luke 22:45-62	Their nightmare would end on Easter.	145
17	Romans 3:19-31	God deals with sin fairly-and-squarely.	378
18	2 Corinthians 7:1-12	What’s the good of repenting?	147
19	Matthew 15:21-28	Remember this woman, dear Christian!	175
<u>20</u>	1 Thessalonians 4:1-7	Remember me, O LORD, in my needs!	379
22	Jeremiah 26:1-15	God prefers to intervene, not abandon.	384
23	Luke 22:63-71	We cringe at such hard-heartedness.	297
24	2 Corinthians 6:11-18	Error multiplies via the domino effect.	39
25	Hebrews 12:1-13	Love energized Jesus to endure all.	152
26	Luke 11:14-28	Opportunistic Satan vs. dedicated Jesus.	38
<u>27</u>	Ephesians 5:1-11	Don’t fall for Satan’s devices, dear reader!	394

29	Matthew 21:1-9	Can you prove from the Bible who Jesus is?	58
30	John 13:1-15	Do we have this straight in our hearts?	514
31	Psalms 22	Let us sorrow over our sins and praise Jesus!	269

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2	Isaiah 52:13-54:12	This is how Jesus spent His last hours.	153
3	2 Corinthians 5:14-21	We implore you, be reconciled to God!	376
4	Easter Sunday	We leave the cemetery to enjoy our Salvation!	
5	Psalms 118:14-29	Easter blessings are not sold in stores.	187
6	Ezekiel 37:1-14	Can dry bones come back to life? Yes!	587
7	John 20:1-10	Ezekiel and the psalmist predicted Easter.	208
8	1 Corinthians 15:12-28	Our life in Jesus supersedes our grave.	618
9	1 Corinthians 15:35-58	We have some data about His return.	611
10	Revelation 5:1-14	Heaven knows what Earth will discover	612
12	John 6:32-58	“Eating and drinking” Jesus=believing in Him.	388
13	Isaiah 50:5-10	This impacts our living repentantly.	172
14	Micah 6:1-8	Not cheap sacrifices but our heart!	540
15	John 20: 11-23	Whom are you seeking in the cemetery?	383
16	1 John 2:1-6	Our Advocate teams up with our Propitiator.	361
17	1 John 2:7-11	Jesus’ new directive is an old requirement.	464
19	Isaiah 52:1-10	See how this fits us because of Easter?	609
20	John 20:24-29	Not yet seeing – but still believing!	65
21	John 21:1-19	Death is reversible! Let us believe it!	603
22	2 Corinthians 5:1-10	Contrasts are similar -- but different.	602
23	1 Peter 1:3-16	Why is it always about Jesus?	348
24	1 John 5:4-12	If your heart needs convincing, read on. . .	390
26	Genesis 14:10-24	Melchizedek represented Christ’s interests.	40
27	Genesis 15:1-21	God outlined Abram’s future family.	586
28	1 Corinthians 12:1-11	Everything good is God’s doing alone!	229
29	1 Corinthians 12:12-31	Jesus’ body has a full set of body parts.	482
30	Acts 9:1-19	A conversion charged with high drama.	74

— MAY —

1	Acts 9:20-31	Paul retreated to study the Scriptures.	296
3	Ezekiel 34:11-16	Our LORD dominates the scene.	119
4	John 10:11-16	Jesus overcomes bad hired-help and rustlers.	345
5	John 14:1-14	Jesus assures Thomas, Philip, and us, too.	433
6	Romans 14:1-13	Customs dare not sour our relationships.	53
7	1 Peter 2:18-25	His sheep will endure their crosses also.	516
8	1 Peter 4:112-19	Afflicted, but content to belong to Jesus.	523
10	Psalms 23	Let us enjoy travel security in Jesus!	436
11	John 12:20-26	Levels of commitment and levels of service.	416
12	2 Timothy 3:1-17	Rediscover the Source of our strength.	410
13	1 John 3:1-9	Serve God, and renounce Satan.	399
14	John 16:16-24	From “here-and-now” to “then-and-there.”	660

<u>15</u>	1 Peter 2:11-20	Bring credit to our Father and His family!	477
17	Isaiah 57:11-21	So what is God to do with us? Rescue us!	347
18	John 6:60-71	We accept the burden of being different.	447
19	John 16:5-15	The Holy Spirit copes with our ineptitude.	232
20	James 1:16-21	How then shall we live?	393
21	2 Timothy 2:8-13	Jesus changes tribulation to regency.	39
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23	Pentecost Sunday—the third great festival of the Church		
24	Acts 2:1-13	Let us first listen -- and then let us speak!	296
25	Isaiah 54:7-15	What message shall we speak?	373
26	John 14:23-31	He loves us in spite of ourselves.	32
27	Isaiah 62:1-12	We are His people, now and forever!	378
28	Acts 3:14-25	Paradise opened in one great barrage!	167
<u>29</u>	Ephesians 1:3-23	Many blessings are ready for claimants!	461
31	Jeremiah 31:31-34	This message is awesome even today.	546

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3	John 15:8-16	The new branch blossoms and bears fruit.	37
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7	Isaiah 6:1-8	The God who saves is a working Trinity.	249
8	Isaiah 48:10-22	Prime Beginning and cataclysmic Closing.	98
9	Matthew 28:18-20	What power authorizes Jesus' disciples?	246
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11	Acts 2:33-47	How wonderfully repentance functions!	334
<u>12</u>	2 Corinthians 13:1-14	Look at yourself as proof of God's love.	565
14	Matthew 16:21-28	God goes ahead without human say-so.	237
15	James 4:11-17	Every day: "If the LORD wills, I shall . . ."	424
16	Luke 12:13-21	"Many years" quickly turns into "this night."	606
17	1 Timothy 6:6-19	So what's money good for—or bad for?	438
18	Luke 16:19-31	Way beyond "a day late and a dollar short."	441
<u>19</u>	1 John 4:16-21	Just snuggle up in God's heart and arms!	350
21	Hosea 11:1-8	God keeps a steady, gentle, loving pull.	390
22	Luke 9:51-62	Three shabby alibis for not following Jesus.	422
23	Luke 14:16-24	Did God cancel His banquet plans! No!	276
24	Luke 14:25-35	Perhaps the self-sacrifice costs too much?	292
25	1 Corinthians 1:26-31	God keeps on calling for you and for me.	281
<u>26</u>	1 John 3:13-18	Jesus loving us gives us courage.	339
28	Matthew 7:7-12	Our sinful hearts need to become godly.	447
29	Matthew 17:24-27	Jesus was an exemplary Church member.	439
30	Matthew 22:15-22	Citizens of our country and of heaven, too.	568

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2	Philippians 3:17-4:4	God's roll-call has our names listed.	660
3	1 Timothy 2:1-6	We beseech God to bless our government.	577
5	Luke 6:36-42	People tend to reciprocate in kind!	464
6	Luke 13:1-5	The real problem is our sinful nature.	327
7	John 8:1-11	Jesus' practical theology excelled theirs.	324
8	Romans 2:1-13	Forgiven! Then off on another adventure?	319
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10	Romans 14:4-18	Live so as not to harm others.	5
12	Isaiah 5:8-23	He turns His hand to humble the wayward.	286
13	Matthew 5:17-20	God loves what needs loving.	370
14	Matthew 5:21-26	Who has resources to salvage the mess?	403
15	Matthew 5:38-42	Your choice: retaliation or consideration.	408
16	Romans 6:3-11	Lose what Jesus lost; gain what He gained!	297
17	James 2:8-17	The least we can do is live godly lives.	453
19	Exodus 5:22-6:8	Pharaoh's loss was Israel's gain.	141
20	Exodus 6:28-7:7	God works through us, inept as we are.	482
21	Matthew 16:5-12	Satan excels at false advertising. Beware!	381
22	Matthew 16:13-18	Knowing Jesus opens the Castle gates.	658
23	Romans 11:26-36	God counterbalances disobedience.	519
24	Hebrews 8:6-13	Limited covenant replaced with permanent.	21
26	Jeremiah 15:15-21	Jeremiah was caught in the middle.	29
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28	Matthew 16:21-26	It's our desires that control our lives.	421
29	Matthew 17:24-27	Jesus fulfilled His cultural responsibilities.	91
30	Romans 12:1-8	Serve Jesus to bring blessing to others.	496
31	Romans 12:9-21	What a wonderful catalog of guidelines!	428

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3	Matthew 17:9-13	Transfiguration does not diminish Easter.	205
4	John 13:31-35	Jesus was ready and willing to get on with it.	142
5	2 Corinthians 12:1-9	Look beyond any/all out-of-body thrills.	361
6	2 Peter 1:16-21	Scriptural testimony repeats the facts.	290
7	Revelation 1:9-18	Jesus in His natural habitat of splendor!	618
9	Isaiah 53	This question deserves an answer.	153
10	Matthew 7:15-20	Differentiate between trash and treasure!	261
11	Matthew 7:21-29	Jesus sees through pious demeanor.	610
12	Romans 8:12-17	Life-style is <i>prima-facie</i> evidence.	226
13	Galatians 3:1-9	Don't backslide from faith-living to Law-living.	461
14	1 John 4:1-6	Beware any teaching that diminishes Christ!	100
16	Proverbs 6:6-11	The subject is ants; the topic is stewardship.	442
17	Luke 12:41-48	Heavier responsibility for those more capable.	420
18	Luke 16:1-9	God expects us to use our resources wisely.	17
19	Luke 16:10-18	Why are we still on God's green earth?	26
20	1 Corinthians 10:6-13	Avoid the first (mis)step into sinning!	33
21	2 Thessalonians 3:6-13	Instruction about un-loving acting.	47

23	Matthew 11:20-24	For what purpose did Jesus scold? Repent!	376
24	Luke 4:23-30	Don't diminish Jesus to elevate self!	380
25	Luke 19:41-48	Jerusalem's people were headed for hell.	419
26	Romans 11:17-24	Will God spare you? How come?	153
27	1 Corinthians 12:2-11	Our God is a God of multiple skills.	229
28	Hebrews 3:12-19	Let us not lose our share in Christ Jesus!	216
30	Matthew 21:28-31	Which son's story is our story?	298
31	Matthew 23:1-12	Many have an "I" problem.	360

— SEPTEMBER —

1	Luke 18:9-14	What a superior sinner he was!	323
2	Romans 3:21-31	Superiority or inferiority: it's a "wash."	319
3	1 Corinthians 15:1-10	In Jesus God starts over with sinners.	378
4	1 John 1:8-2	Entrust yourself to the superior solution: Jesus.	545
6	Matthew 5:33-37	Don't dial God's #911 carelessly!	455
7	Matthew 12:33-37	Some trees produce sour crabapples.	541
8	Mark 7:31-37	Jesus avoids "magic tricks" advertising.	339
9	1 Corinthians 2:9-16	Learn Messiah's program via the Bible.	609
10	2 Corinthians 3:4-18	God's grace in Jesus does not fade.	398
11	James 3:8-12	Bluntly put, humans misuse their voices.	401
13	Matthew 5:43-6:4	Who responds as Jesus expects?	42
14	Mark 12:41-44	The widow was not abandoned by God.	541
15	Luke 10:23-37	Are we trying to live as good Samaritans?	439
16	2 Corinthians 9:6-15	Recalibrate your seeder! Be generous!	384
17	Galatians 3:16-28	God waters, warms, and nurtures sprouts.	299
18	1 John 4:7-11	Tend the field where God has placed you.	236
20	Psalms 147:1-11	Yes! We know and rejoice in this also!	567
21	Matthew 11:25-30	Jesus: heaven's power-and-glory package.	277
22	Luke 17:11-19	We stop in our tracks to thank Jesus.	36
23	John 5:1-14	Jesus still produces medical miracles.	43
24	Galatians 5:16-24	Which urges/appetites shall govern us?	446
25	1 Timothy 1:12-17	Living proof that God can save anybody.	374
27	Matthew 6:19-23	Does affluence afflict our eyesight?	364
28	Matthew 6:24-34	God's priorities should be our priorities!	247
29	Luke 10:38-42	Jesus serves me before I serve Him.	366
30	Acts 20:32-36	God enables me to share with others.	442

— OCTOBER —

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2	Galatians 5:25-6:10	Bible talk, Bible living, and Bible sharing.	290
4	Luke 7:11-17	Jesus is Lord over life and death!	591
5	John 5:19-21	Jesus tried to enlighten His countrymen.	248
6	John 11:17-44	What a friend they had in Jesus!	547
7	2 Cor. 4:7-14	God puts heavenly treasure in clay pots.	338
8	Ephesians 3:13-21	LORD, nourish us with Your love!	394
9	Philippians 1:19-26	The redeemed yearn to be with Jesus.	527

11	Mark 2:23-3:5	Loving obedience replaces legal performance.	412
12	Luke 14:1-11	Jesus generates love between humans.	465
13	John 8:31-36	A slave doesn't belong, but the child does.	261
14	Galatians 5:1-14	Don't hitch yourself into the law-harness!	289
15	Ephesians 4:1-6	Joined to God because He has joined us.	481
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18	Matthew 13:34-46	God grows greens; Satan grows weeds.	347
19	Matthew 22:34-46	What's my answer to verse 45?	114
20	Mark 10:17-27	In the word "good" lies a theological issue.	359
21	Romans 10:1-13	Jesus puts an end to futile moral strivings.	423
22	1 Corinthians 1:4-9	Thank God for His grace-work among us!	373
23	1 John 2:7-17	I'm just passing through on my way home!	54
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26	Revelation 19:11-21	Justice both acquits and condemns.	341
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28	Acts 7:30-50	Moses and Jesus are similar.	291
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10	John 10:22-31	Jesus+the Father=an unbeatable combination.	237
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23	Matthew 17:24-27	We support all worthy endeavors.	500
24	Matthew 22:15-22	Our main responsibility is to God.	539
25	1 Timothy 2:1-7	Let us be thankful under all conditions!	570
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— DECEMBER —

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13	Luke 12:35-40	Are we busy with our own house-cleaning?	322
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15	Luke 21:25-36	We should know that God is on schedule.	611
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*Lord, dismiss us with Thy blessing, Fill our hearts with joy and peace.
Let us each, Thy love possessing, Triumph in redeeming grace.
Oh, refresh us; Oh, refresh us, Trav'ling thro' this wilderness!*



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