

# Lent 2010

## Gospel Reading Plan

*Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light for my path.*

Psalm 119:105 (NIV)

### February

<input type="checkbox"/>	Wednesday, Feb. 17	Matthew 1-2
<input type="checkbox"/>	Thursday, Feb. 18	Matthew 3-4
<input type="checkbox"/>	Friday, Feb. 19	Matthew 5-7
<input type="checkbox"/>	Saturday, Feb. 20	Matthew 8-9
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<input type="checkbox"/>	Sunday, Feb. 21	Catch-up, meditation, memory verse selection
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<input type="checkbox"/>	Monday, Feb. 22	Matthew 10-11
<input type="checkbox"/>	Tuesday, Feb. 23	Matthew 12-13
<input type="checkbox"/>	Wednesday, Feb. 24	Matthew 14-16
<input type="checkbox"/>	Thursday, Feb. 25	Matthew 17-18
<input type="checkbox"/>	Friday, Feb. 26	Matthew 19-20
<input type="checkbox"/>	Saturday, Feb. 27	Matthew 21-22
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<input type="checkbox"/>	Sunday, Feb. 28	Catch-up, meditation, memory verse selection

### March

<input type="checkbox"/>	Monday, Mar. 1	Matthew 23-25
<input type="checkbox"/>	Tuesday, Mar. 2	Matthew 26-28
<input type="checkbox"/>	Wednesday, Mar. 3	Mark 1-2
<input type="checkbox"/>	Thursday, Mar. 4	Mark 3-4
<input type="checkbox"/>	Friday, Mar. 5	Mark 5-6
<input type="checkbox"/>	Saturday, Mar. 6	Mark 7-8
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<input type="checkbox"/>	Sunday, Mar. 7	Catch-up, meditation, memory verse selection
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<input type="checkbox"/>	Monday, Mar. 8	Mark 9-10
<input type="checkbox"/>	Tuesday, Mar. 9	Mark 11-12
<input type="checkbox"/>	Wednesday, Mar. 10	Mark 13-14

<input type="checkbox"/>	Thursday, Mar. 11	Mark 15-16
<input type="checkbox"/>	Friday, Mar. 12	Luke 1-3
<input type="checkbox"/>	Saturday, Mar. 13	Luke 4-5
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<input type="checkbox"/>	Sunday, Mar. 14	Catch-up, meditation, memory verse selection
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<input type="checkbox"/>	Monday, Mar. 15	Luke 6-8
<input type="checkbox"/>	Tuesday, Mar. 16	Luke 9-10
<input type="checkbox"/>	Wednesday, Mar. 17	Luke 11-12
<input type="checkbox"/>	Thursday, Mar. 18	Luke 13-14
<input type="checkbox"/>	Friday, Mar. 19	Luke 15-16
<input type="checkbox"/>	Saturday, Mar. 20	Luke 17-18
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<input type="checkbox"/>	Sunday, Mar. 21	Catch-up, meditation, memory verse selection
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<input type="checkbox"/>	Monday, Mar. 22	Luke 19-20
<input type="checkbox"/>	Tuesday, Mar. 23	Luke 21-22
<input type="checkbox"/>	Wednesday, Mar. 24	Luke 23-24
<input type="checkbox"/>	Thursday, Mar. 25	John 1-3
<input type="checkbox"/>	Friday, Mar. 26	John 4-5
<input type="checkbox"/>	Saturday, Mar. 27	John 6-7
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<input type="checkbox"/>	Sunday, Mar. 28	Catch-up, meditation, memory verse selection
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<input type="checkbox"/>	Monday, Mar. 29	John 8-10
<input type="checkbox"/>	Tuesday, Mar. 30	John 11-12
<input type="checkbox"/>	Wednesday, Mar. 31	John 13-14

### April

<input type="checkbox"/>	Thursday, Apr. 1	John 15-17
<input type="checkbox"/>	Friday, Apr. 2	John 18-19
<input type="checkbox"/>	Saturday, Apr. 3	John 20-21

*...when you received the word of God, which you heard from us, you accepted it not as the word of men, but as it actually is, the word of God, which is at work in you who believe.*

1 Thessalonians 2:13 (NIV)

*A Guide to Prayer for All God's People* (Upper Room Books) provides a structured guide to daily devotions. In the book's introduction, authors Reuben Job and Norman Shawchuck share their thoughts on getting the most from the daily scripture readings. Some of their points are provided below. You may find them helpful on days when you have enough time to revisit and "prayerfully ponder" passages that spoke to you personally.

To the person who carefully searches each Bible story, it will reveal hidden truth suited for that person's situation-in-life.

Read the passage with an open mind and heart, letting words flow into your being.

Enter into dialogue with the scripture with your heart, mind, and emotions.

Read it not as a portion of a book written for everyone, but as a letter written just to you—the message of one thinking only of you when writing.

Enter into a personal dialogue with God as author...make the passage uniquely yours...search for insight into these questions:

- What is this passage telling me about God?
- What is this scripture telling me about myself?
- What does this scripture have to say to me about my ministry or witness at this time?

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## Gospel Reading Plan

### All Four Gospels in 40 Days

This Lenten Gospel Reading Plan was inspired by a story shared in the JOY Sunday School class here at Grace Church. The class member related the story of a woman she called on many years ago, who made it a practice to read all four Gospel books during Lent each year. The class member has now followed this practice herself for many years, finding it very worthwhile.

Inside you'll find a suggested reading plan to cover all four Gospel books during the season of Lent. While it may sound like a daunting task, this can actually be accomplished by reading just two or three chapters daily for the 40 days of Lent (February 17 - April 3, excluding Sundays).

With this plan, Sundays are reserved to catch up on readings you may have missed during the week, or to spend time meditating on a passage that captured your attention in the week's readings (*see back cover*). Another suggestion for Sundays is to write out a new favorite verse you read during the week, and work on committing it to memory in the week ahead.

Most important, don't get discouraged if you fall behind and it takes an extra few days or weeks to get through the reading. Feel free to personalize the plan and make it work for you.

Regardless of the way you approach it, may it be a spiritually enriching experience and help you grow closer to Christ!

*Direct me in the path of your commands, for there I find delight.*

Psalm 119:35 (NIV)

