5-Day Bible Reading Plan and Devotional Guide
Tying Up Loose Ends: Finishing Well for God's Glory



Day 1: The Call to Finish What You Started
Reading: John 17:1-4
Devotional: Jesus modeled what it looks like to bring glory to God through completing assigned work. He did not drift, delay, or make excuses. He finished. Many of us began this year with genuine God-given intentions, plans, commitments, and callings we knew were from him. Yet somewhere along the road, things became loose. Today, ask yourself honestly: what did God assign to you that remains unfinished? Finishing is not about perfection. It is about faithfulness. God does not ask for flawless execution. He asks for follow-through. Prepare your mind for action today and take one deliberate step toward completion.
Reflection Question: What is one specific thing God called you to this year that you have not yet finished?
Practical Application: Write down one unfinished assignment. Identify the very next action step and schedule it before the week ends.

Day 2: Self-Discipline as an Act of Worship
Reading: 1 Peter 1:13-16
Devotional: Girding up your loins, as the ancient text describes, meant preparing your whole body for serious work. Nothing was left loose or hanging. Everything was secured for movement. Self-discipline is not simply about avoiding wrong. It is about actively pursuing what is right, even when motivation is absent. The praise team will not always be singing. The pastor will not always post a word of encouragement. There will be mornings when no one is watching and nothing feels inspiring. On those mornings, discipline steps in where emotion steps out. Discipline is what separates those who start from those who finish.
Reflection Question: In what area of your spiritual life have you been depending on external motivation rather than internal discipline?
Practical Application: Establish one daily spiritual habit this week: prayer, Scripture reading, or journaling and commit to it regardless of how you feel.

Day 3: The Wisdom of Patient Endurance
Reading: Hebrews 10:35-36 and Hebrews 12:1-2
Devotional: Patience is not passive waiting. It is active, faith-filled endurance while God completes his work in you. The writer of Ecclesiastes reminds us that patience is better than pride, because pride rushes ahead of God's timing while patience trusts it. David

waited over a decade between his anointing and his appointment. Joseph endured years of injustice between his dream and its fulfillment. Neither man's delay was evidence of God's absence. It was evidence of God's process. The race God has set before you has a pace designed specifically for you. Running someone else's race at someone else's speed will only exhaust or injure you.
Reflection Question: Where have you allowed impatience or comparison to cause you to doubt God's timing in your life?
Practical Application: Identify one area where you have been striving in your own strength. Surrender it to God in prayer today and choose to trust his pace over your preference.

Day 4: Urgency, Strategy, and Making the Most of Every Moment
Reading: Ephesians 5:15-17 and Colossians 4:5
Devotional: Urgency and patience are not opposites, they are partners. Urgency says the time God has given me matters. Strategy says I will steward it wisely. Together, they produce a life that maximizes every opportunity without burning out or breaking down. Ecclesiastes 9:10 calls us to do whatever we do with our whole heart, because the grave offers no second chances. You have been given a specific number of days, hours, minutes, and moments. None of them are accidental. God placed gifts, callings, and assignments in your hands that no one else on earth carries in quite the same way. Do not take that lightly.
Reflection Question: Are you spending more time observing other people's lives than building your own? What would it look like to put your full effort into what God has placed in your hands?
Practical Application: Review your schedule this week. Identify one commitment that is draining your energy without advancing God's purpose for your life and prayerfully consider whether it belongs in your calendar.

Day 5: God Is Faithful to Complete What He Began in You
Reading: Philippians 1:6 and Isaiah 40:28-31
Devotional: The most encouraging truth about finishing well is that you were never meant to finish alone. The God who began a good work in you has not abandoned the project. He is not distracted, discouraged, or behind schedule. He is faithful to complete what he started. When you feel behind, overwhelmed, or too far gone to recover lost ground, remember that God specializes in redemption including the redemption of lost time and missed opportunities. Your role is to keep walking in obedience. His role is to keep working in power. You bring the willingness. He supplies the ability. Together, you will finish well.
Reflection Question: Do you truly believe that God is still at work in your life, even in the areas where you feel you have fallen short?
Practical Application: Close this week by writing a prayer of recommitment. Name the loose ends God has been speaking to you about throughout this reading plan. Ask him for a finisher's anointing, and then take one concrete action today as a declaration of your faith.