

Bible Marathon

Participant Guidelines

What is a Bible Marathon?

A Bible Marathon is an event that involves a group of people reading through a large portion of Scripture together in one sitting. Think of it sort of like group binge watching, but instead of watching a TV show, it's reading the Bible. There is no teaching, rather we just take time to soak in the words of Scripture.

Purposes:

1. To set aside quality time in a busy culture to drink deeply from God's Word.
2. To read through a Bible book in one sitting as it was meant to be read.
3. To follow the sweep of themes and interrelatedness of the Bible.
4. To experience the Word with the encouragement of community.

How it Works:

- Participants sit in a circle.
- Reading alternates around the circle, each person reading one chapter.
- On the 7th chapter, everyone stands and each person reads one verse around the room.
- There will be times of response where volunteers read a meaningful verse and pray in response to it.
- There are regular breaks for bathroom and snacks.

What to Bring:

- A notebook and pen/pencil to record insights. Be looking for two things as we read:
 1. A theme (love, fear, submission, hope, evangelism, God's glory, nature of God, etc.).
 2. Verses that relate to a selected personal problem or issue.
- A common Bible translation (ESV, NIV, NASB, etc.) no paraphrases, please.
- A water bottle and simple snacks for yourself.