

5-Day Bible Reading Plan and Devotional Guide

Based on the Themes of Judgment, Salvation, Hope, and the Return of Christ

Day 1: The Glorious Day You Were Called

Reading: John 11:25-26, Romans 8:1

Devotional: There is a moment that changes everything. The moment you heard his voice and ran out of the grave. The pastor in this sermon asked a simple but powerful question: when is the last time you went back to that day? Salvation is not merely a doctrinal position. It is a living memory of rescue. You were breathing but not truly alive. Then he called your name. Do not let the familiarity of your faith cause you to forget the weight of what was lifted. Go back to that day. Let gratitude renew your walk. Let the memory of mercy fuel your obedience today.

Reflection: What specific moment or season marked your turning to Christ? Write it down. Revisit it as an act of worship.

Practical Application: Share your salvation story with one person this week, not as a religious exercise, but as a genuine testimony of grace.

Day 2: Justice Belongs to the Judge

Reading: Genesis 18:25, Romans 12:19, Hebrews 9:27

Devotional: The sermon drew a sharp distinction between earthly justice, which is fallible, and divine justice, which is perfect. Human courts have flawed jurors, biased systems, and finite understanding. But God sees everything with complete clarity. The passage in Hebrews reminds us that death is appointed, and after it comes judgment. This is not meant to frighten those who are in Christ. It is meant to anchor them. You do not need to carry vengeance. You do not need to force outcomes. The judge of all the earth will do what is right. Trust him. Release what you are holding. He is not blind, and he is never late.

Reflection: Is there an injustice in your life you have been carrying that belongs in the hands of God? Name it honestly before him today.

Practical Application: Spend five minutes in prayer specifically releasing one situation of unresolved injustice to God. Speak it aloud if that helps make it real.

Day 3: No Condemnation for Those in Christ

Reading: Romans 8:1, 2 Corinthians 5:10, John 5:22-27

Devotional: One of the most liberating truths in this sermon is the distinction between the two judgments. For the believer, the judgment seat of Christ is not a courtroom of condemnation. It is a place of evaluation and reward. Condemnation was settled at the cross. Jesus stood in your place. He absorbed the punishment that was yours. When you stand before God, he sees his Son. This is not a license to live carelessly. It is the foundation from which you live gratefully. Your works matter, not to earn salvation, but to honor the one who gave it freely. Live today in the freedom of a verdict already declared.

Reflection: Do you live with lingering guilt over sins already forgiven? What would it look like to truly walk in the freedom Christ purchased?

Practical Application: Memorize or meditate on Romans 8:1 throughout the day. Let it interrupt anxious or guilt-ridden thoughts as they arise.

Day 4: The Great White Throne and the Urgency of Today

Reading: Revelation 20:11-15, John 3:18, 2 Peter 3:9

Devotional: The great white throne judgment is sobering. No jury. No appeal. No defense attorney. Only the record and the judge. The sermon was clear: this judgment is not for those who are in Christ. But it is a powerful reminder of what is at stake for those who have not yet turned to him. The passage in 2 Peter reminds us that God is patient, not wanting anyone to perish. That patience is still extended today. This is the age of grace. The door is open. But the sermon was equally clear that a day is coming when it will not be. Do not treat the patience of God as permanence of opportunity. Today is the day of salvation.

Reflection: Is there someone in your life who does not yet know Christ? How long have you been meaning to speak to them about it?

Practical Application: Write the name of one unsaved person you care about on a piece of paper. Pray over that name daily this week. Ask God for an open door and the courage to walk through it.

Day 5: Forever -- Living in Light of Eternity

Reading: Revelation 21:1-5, Isaiah 65:17-19, 1 Corinthians 2:9

Devotional: The sermon ended where all good theology eventually lands -- in hope. A new heaven. A new earth. God dwelling permanently with his people. No more death, sorrow, crying, or pain. The old sin-corrupted order will pass away entirely. This is not wishful thinking. It is the declared promise of the same God who created the world and raised his Son from the dead. The word the worship team sang over the congregation was forever. For the believer, that word is not abstract. It is your destination. It is your inheritance. Let eternity shape how you spend your days, your money, your words, and your energy. You are not home yet, but you know exactly where home is.

Reflection: How would your daily priorities shift if you genuinely lived with eternity in view? What would you do more of? What would you let go of?

Practical Application: Set aside ten minutes today to sit quietly and imagine, as best you can, the reality of being in the permanent, unhindered presence of God. Let that vision recalibrate your perspective on whatever feels heavy or urgent this week.