

Faith Practice Focus: Study

A Monthly Bible Study Reading Plan

Consider this monthly Bible study to help you dig into the Bible and grow in faith throughout the year. You can study each month on your own, with a friend, group, or with your family. It's intentionally designed to be intergenerational — accessible to all ages, and fit into a busy schedule. Read one story each week or however you like, reflect, and pray. May you and your family be blessed as you study God's Word.

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November: Apology Accepted: Stories of Forgiveness

God loves. God welcomes. God forgives! Find each story of forgiveness in your Bible and look it up using the page numbers on the right.

Joseph Forgives	1 Samuel 17:4-11, 32-50
The Lord's Prayer	Matthew 6:5-15
Zacchaeus	Luke 19:1-10
The Prodigal Son	Luke 15:11-32

Ask:

- God loves us—no matter what! Tell about a time you made a mistake and asked for forgiveness. What happened next?
- How does it feel to forgive someone? How does it feel to be forgiven?
- When do you pray to God? What do you say? Do you like saying prayers already written or do you like making up your own prayers?

Do:

Pray and follow God's way! Cut out colored paper to look like street signs. Write a brief prayer on the back of each sign, then spread the signs out down a hallway. Walk a stuffed animal or drive a toy car down the hallway, stopping at each sign. Read the prayer before moving to the next sign.

Pray:

Say this prayer together, including all the things you are thankful for.

Dear God,

Thank you for listening to us when we pray. Thank you for forgiving us when we make mistakes. Thank you for loving us always! Thank you for teaching us to pray. [Say the Lord's Prayer together.] Amen!