



Starting Your Journey With God

God has placed it on my heart to share His message with you, and this card was created as a short guide to help you on your journey with Him. Whether you're just beginning to explore the Bible or have been reading it for some time, I pray that God blesses you, strengthens your relationship with Him, and reveals the richness and spiritual truths found in His Word. Before reading Scripture, take a moment to say this simple prayer:

*"LORD, grant me wisdom so that I may understand your words and come closer to You.
In Jesus' name I pray. Amen."*

Start with the Gospel of Mark to learn about Jesus Christ, His miracles, death, and resurrection. After Mark, read Genesis to understand the beginning of everything—creation, the first humans, the entry of sin, and its consequences. Genesis also details the Great Flood, a significant event remembered by many ancient cultures.

Topline Overview

The Bible's story is simple: It's about a King (God), His kingdom, and His children (us) who are lost. Out of love, He sent His Son, Jesus, to save us and bring us back to Him. One day, Jesus will return to remove all sin, evil, and death, and we will live with Him forever.

- **Old Testament:** God shows we cannot be saved through the law and our actions.
- **New Testament:** Jesus' death and resurrection fulfills the law and brings salvation through faith.

Salvation

We are saved through faith in Jesus Christ, not by our actions. Through faith, we are declared saved, and God begins a lifelong process of shaping us to reflect His ways. Believers are called to repent, turn away from sin, and obey His commandments—when we fall short, God's grace forgives us and helps us get back on track. Jesus calls us to deny ourselves [let go of sinful desires], take up our cross [choose God's ways], and follow Him daily (Luke 9:23). Good works flow from salvation. These good works are the result of being saved, and are not the cause of salvation. When we put our faith in Jesus Christ, we are made spiritually new [born again], and God will guide us in our daily walk with Him, shaping us to grow closer to Him and reflect His character. For a deeper overview and resources, please visit tenthcharity.org/salvation

Next Steps

Pray for God's guidance as you explore the Bible, and He will lead you. A short reading plan on the back of this card can help you get started. Please say hello or ask questions anytime!

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

John 3:16-17 KJV

Start Here >>>>

Mark

All Chapters

Genesis

Chapters 1-11

Reading Plan

See Checklist

KEY VERSES TO GUIDE & STRENGTHEN YOU

HOW TO BE SAVED

- **John 3:16-17** — Jesus was sent to save us
- **Romans 10:9-10** — Confess and believe to be saved
- **Ephesians 2:8-10** — We are saved by grace through faith
- **Acts 16:30-31** — Salvation comes by believing in Jesus
- **Titus 2:11-13** — Grace, Salvation, and Turning from Sin
- **Romans 10:9-13** — Salvation is for All Who Believe
- **Galatians 2:16-21; 3** — Salvation by Faith, Not Works or the Law

HOW TO WALK WITH CHRIST

- **Romans 3:22-23** — We are all sinners in need of grace
- **John 3:5** — Be born again & walk in righteousness
- **2 Corinthians 5:17** — Faith makes us new in Christ
- **Psalms 51:16-17** — Repentance is God's desired sacrifice
- **James 2:14-26** — Our faith produces good works
- **Colossians 3:1-17** — Let Go of the Old Life, & Walk in The New
- **Micah 6:8** — Justice, Mercy, and a Humble Walk with God

SUPPORTIVE SCRIPTURES

- **John 14:1-6** — Jesus is the way, truth, and life
- **John 10:27-29** — We are secure in God's hands
- **John 14:21-24** — Obedience deepens our walk with God
- **Matthew 6:25-33** — Seek God and His kingdom first
- **1 Peter 4:12-16** — Finding joy in hard times through Christ
- **Isaiah 41:10-13** — Fear Not, for God Is With You
- **Romans 8:38-39** — Nothing Can Separate Us from God's Love

READING PLAN

The Scriptures are rich, and God's wisdom is endless. Here is a short Reading Plan to help you navigate the Bible. For the longer Reading Plan, please visit tentcharity.org/readingplan

NEW TESTAMENT

- ☐ Acts 2 - The Coming of the Holy Spirit
- ☐ Acts 9:16-19 - The Conversion of Paul
- ☐ Acts 26 - Paul's story & Defense of Christianity
- ☐ Romans 3 - Justification by Faith Alone
- ☐ Romans 7-8 - Battle with Sin & Life in the Spirit
- ☐ 1 Corinthians 13 - The Way of Love
- ☐ Ephesians 4 - Unity In Christ
- ☐ Ephesians 5 - Living as a light in the world
- ☐ Ephesians 6 - The Armor of God
- ☐ Philippians 1:18-2:18 - Christ's Example

OLD TESTAMENT

- ☐ Genesis 12, 15, 17, 21-22 - Abraham
- ☐ Genesis 24-25, 27, 32-33, Isaac & Jacob
- ☐ Genesis 37, 39, 41-47 - Joseph
- ☐ Exodus 1-6 - The Call of Moses
- ☐ Exodus 7-14 - Moses & Pharaoh
- ☐ Exodus 20 - God's Law
- ☐ Joshua 1, Judges 1-2 - Obedience & Rebellion
- ☐ 1 Samuel 7-9, 15-17 - Rise & Fall of Saul
- ☐ 2 Samuel 5, 7-9, 11-12 - Stories of David
- ☐ 1 Kings 2-3, 6, 11 - Solomon's Reign

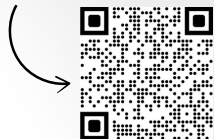
HELPFUL TIPS & RESOURCES

These tips will help provide additional support.

1

Install Bible App

Download the free Bible App from Bible.com for iPhone or Android. You can access Scripture, compare translations, save verses, explore devotionals, and more.



2

Read Translations

When a verse is hard to understand, compare it with translations like the KJV, NKJV, CSB, NIV, ESV, or NASB. Understanding the basic meaning can help reveal the spiritual truths of God's Word.

3

Explore Content

Use study Bibles, watch Christian content creators on YouTube, and read articles to deepen your faith, support your growth, and connect with other believers.

**"When we pray, we talk to God;
When we read the Bible, God talks to us."**

THE DAYS TO COME

Scripture speaks of the last days, comparing them to the days of Noah (Matthew 24:37-39). In Noah's time, the world was filled with wickedness, sin was rampant, and people turned away from God. Because of this, God brought the Great Flood to cleanse the earth. Similarly, the world will continue falling away from God in the days to come. Can you see how this is happening in the world today? We see this in wars and conflicts increasing across nations, devastating natural disasters (Matthew 24:6-7, 24:21-22), moral decay where good is called evil and evil is called good (1 Timothy 3:1-5), deceptions and false teachings leading many astray, and increasing hostility toward God's truth. The final book of the Bible, Revelation, describes the Great Tribulation—a period of severe judgment and global turmoil. It describes additional signs, including economic instability, plagues, famine, war, the persecution of believers, and the growing rejection of God's Word (Revelation 8; 13:16-17; 18:8). Those who turn away from God will reject His message of repentance, love, and salvation, which has been shared with you (2 Thessalonians 2:1-15).

My hope is that you strengthen your relationship with God. I write this letter to you as a loving friend, though my love will always fall short and can never match the love God has had for you all your life. Remember, if you ever feel unsure or have questions, seek wisdom through prayer, Scripture, or a trusted fellow believer. God's Word will always guide you.

Christ warns that false prophets will arise, claiming to be Him (Matthew 24:21-31), for the devil disguises himself as an angel of light and will deceive many in the days to come (2 Corinthians 11:14). Despite these deceptions, Jesus assures us of His triumphant return, which will be unlike anything the world has ever witnessed. He will descend from the sky and lift His believers to be with Him in the air (1 Thessalonians 4:15-17). Until that day, believe no one who claims to be Christ, and remain vigilant in your walk with Him.

Even during these times, trust in God's love. Stay strong in your faith, knowing His strength will sustain you through every challenge, and He will never leave you, no matter what happens.

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