

For spiritual development and refreshment, to hear clearly what God is saying to you in response to your prayers for guidance and help, read the bible often. Here is a planned cycle of readings for each day. I recommend that you read them all but select a passage or two for insight. To focus, read it four times, pausing after each reading to consider the following questions:

1. What words jumped out at you?
2. How did those words make you feel?
3. What about your life might God be letting you hear these words for?
4. Finally, ask God to help you to know **WHAT YOU ARE TO DO TODAY.**

| <b>July (I) Readings – Daily Office Lectionary</b> |                          |                         |                  |                   |
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| <b>Date</b>  | <b>Psalm</b>             | <b>OT Lesson</b>        | <b>NT Lesson</b> | <b>Gospel</b>     |
| <b>1</b>   | 107:33-43, 108:1-6(7-13) | 1 Samuel 9:15-10:1      | Acts 7:30-43     | Luke 22:39-51     |
| <b>2</b>   | 118                      | 1 Samuel 10:1-16        | Rom. 4:13-25     | Matt. 21:23-32    |
| <b>3</b>   | 106:1-18                 | 1 Samuel 10:17-27       | Acts 7:44-8:1a   | Luke 22:52-62     |
| <b>4</b>   | [120], 121, 122, 123     | 1 Samuel 11:1-15        | Acts 8:1-13      | Luke 22:63-71     |
| <b>5</b>   | 119:145-176              | 1 Samuel 12:1-6,16-25   | Acts 8:14-25     | Luke 23:1-12      |
| <b>6</b>   | 131, 132, [133]          | 1 Samuel 13:5-18        | Acts 8:26-40     | Luke 23:13-25     |
| <b>7</b>   | 140, 142                 | 1 Samuel 13:19-14:15    | Acts 9:1-9       | Luke 23:26-31     |
| <b>8</b>   | 137:1-6(7-9), 144        | 1 Samuel 14:16-30       | Acts 9:10-19a    | Luke 23:32-43     |
| <b>9</b>   | 146, 147                 | 1 Samuel 14:36-45       | Rom. 5:1-11      | Matt. 22:1-14     |
| <b>10</b>  | 1, 2, 3                  | 1 Samuel 15:1-3,7-23    | Acts 9:19b-31    | Luke 23:44-56a    |
| <b>11</b>  | 5, 6                     | 1 Samuel 15:24-35       | Acts 9:32-43     | Luke 23:56b-24:11 |
| <b>12</b>  | 119:1-24                 | 1 Samuel 16:1-13        | Acts 10:1-16     | Luke 24:12-35     |
| <b>13</b>  | 18:1-20                  | 1 Samuel 16:14-17:11    | Acts 10:17-33    | Luke 24:36-53     |
| <b>14</b>  | 16, 17                   | 1 Samuel 17:17-30       | Acts 10:34-48    | Mark 1:1-13       |
| <b>15</b>  | 20, 21:1-7(8-14)         | 1 Samuel 17:31-49       | Acts 11:1-18     | Mark 1:14-28      |
| <b>16</b>  | 148, 149, 150            | 1 Samuel 17:50-18:4     | Rom. 10:4-17     | Matt. 23:29-39    |
| <b>17</b>  | 25                       | 1 Samuel 18:5-16,27b-30 | Acts 11:19-30    | Mark 1:29-45      |
| <b>18</b>  | 26, 28                   | 1 Samuel 19:1-18        | Acts 12:1-17     | Mark 2:1-12       |
| <b>19</b>  | 38                       | 1 Samuel 20:1-23        | Acts 12:18-25    | Mark 2:13-22      |
| <b>20</b>  | 37:1-18                  | 1 Samuel 20:24-42       | Acts 13:1-12     | Mark 2:23-3:6     |
| <b>21</b>  | 31                       | 1 Samuel 21:1-15        | Acts 13:13-25    | Mark 3:7-19a      |
| <b>22</b>  | 30, 32                   | 1 Samuel 22:1-23        | Acts 23:26-43    | Mark 3:19b-35     |
| <b>23</b>  | 63:1-8(9-11),98          | 1 Samuel 23:7-18        | Rom. 11:33-12:2  | Matt. 25:14-30    |
| <b>24</b>  | 41,52                    | 1 Samuel 24:1-22        | Acts 13:44-52    | Mark 4:1-20       |
| <b>25</b>  | 45                       | 1 Samuel 25:1-22        | Acts 14:1-18     | Mark 4:21-34      |
| <b>26</b>  | 119:49-72                | 1 Samuel 25:23-44       | Acts 14:19-28    | Mark 4:35-41      |
| <b>27</b>  | 50                       | 1 Samuel 28:3-20        | Acts 15:1-11     | Mark 5:1-20       |
| <b>28</b>  | 40,54                    | 1 Samuel 31:1-13        | Acts 15:12-21    | Mark 5:21-43      |
| <b>29</b>  | 55                       | 2 Samuel 1:1-16         | Acts 15:22-35    | Mark 6:1-13       |
| <b>30</b>  | 24, 29                   | 2 Samuel 1:17-27        | Rom. 12:9-21     | Matt. 25:31-46    |
| <b>31</b>  | 56, 57, [58]             | 2 Samuel 2:1-11         | Acts 15:36-16:5  | Mark 6:14-29      |

The season of Pentecost is the longest part of the church year and is often referred to as "Ordinary Time" because the Sundays are "Ordered" with numbers. During Ordinary Time, we consider Christ, the Lamb of God, to walk among us and transform our lives. There's nothing "ordinary" about that! We are to be in watchfulness and expectation of the Second Coming of Christ.

| <b>August (I) Readings – Daily Office Lectionary</b> |                          |                         |                  |                  |
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| <b>DATE</b>  | <b>PSALM</b>             | <b>OT LESSON</b>        | <b>NT LESSON</b> | <b>GOSPEL</b>    |
| <b>1</b>   | 61, 62                   | 2 Samuel 3:6-21         | Acts 16:6-15     | Mark 6:30-46     |
| <b>2</b>   | 72                       | 2 Samuel 3:22-39        | Acts 16:16-24    | Mark 6:47-56     |
| <b>3</b>   | [70], 71                 | 2 Samuel 4:1-12         | Acts 16:25-40    | Mark 7:1-23      |
| <b>4</b>   | 69:1-23(24-30)31-38      | 2 Samuel 5:1-12         | Acts 17:1-15     | Mark 7:24-37     |
| <b>5</b>   | 75, 76                   | 2 Samuel 5:22-6:11      | Acts 17:16-34    | Mark 8:1-10      |
| <b>6</b>   | 93, 96                   | 2 Samuel 6:12-23        | Rom. 4:7-12      | John 1:43-51     |
| <b>7</b>   | 80                       | 2 Samuel 7:1-17         | Acts 18:1-11     | Mark 8:11-21     |
| <b>8</b>   | 78:1-39                  | 2 Samuel 7:18-29        | Acts 18:12-28    | Mark 8:22-33     |
| <b>9</b>   | 119:97-120               | 2 Samuel 9:1-13         | Acts 19:1-10     | Mark 8:34-9:1    |
| <b>10</b>  | [83] *or* 145            | 2 Samuel 11:1-27        | Acts 19:11-20    | Mark 9:2-13      |
| <b>11</b>  | 88                       | 2 Samuel 12:1-14        | Acts 19:21-41    | Mark 9:14-29     |
| <b>12</b>  | 87, 90                   | 2 Samuel 12:15-31       | Acts 20:1-16     | Mark 9:30-41     |
| <b>13</b>  | 66, 67                   | 2 Samuel 13:1-22        | Rom. 15:1-13     | John 3:22-36     |
| <b>14</b>  | 89:1-18                  | 2 Samuel 13:23-39       | Acts 20:17-38    | Mark 9:42-50     |
| <b>15</b>  | 97, 99, [100]            | 2 Samuel 14:1-20        | Acts 21:1-14     | Mark 10:1-16     |
| <b>16</b>  | 101, 109:1-4(5-19)20-30  | 2 Samuel 14:21-33       | Acts 21:15-26    | Mark 10:17-31    |
| <b>17</b>  | 105:1-22                 | 2 Samuel 15:1-18        | Acts 21:27-36    | Mark 10:32-45    |
| <b>18</b>  | 102                      | 2 Samuel 15:19-37       | Acts 21:37-22:16 | Mark 10:46-52    |
| <b>19</b>  | 107:33-43, 108:1-6(7-13) | 2 Samuel 16:1-23        | Acts 22:17-29    | Mark 11:1-11     |
| <b>20</b>  | 118                      | 2 Samuel 17:1-23        | Gal. 3:6-14      | John 5:30-47     |
| <b>21</b>  | 106:1-18                 | 2 Samuel 17:24-18:8     | Acts 22:30-23:11 | Mark 11:12-26    |
| <b>22</b>  | [120], 121, 122, 123     | 2 Samuel 18:9-18        | Acts 23:12-24    | Mark 11:27-12:12 |
| <b>23</b>  | 119:145-176              | 2 Samuel 18:19-23       | Acts 23:23-35    | Mark 12:13-27    |
| <b>24</b>  | 131, 132, [133]          | 2 Samuel 19:1-23        | Acts 24:1-23     | Mark 12:28-34    |
| <b>25</b>  | 140, 142                 | 2 Samuel 19:24-43       | Acts 24:24-25:12 | Mark 12:35-44    |
| <b>26</b>  | 137:1-6(7-9), 144        | 2 Samuel 23:1-17, 13-17 | Acts 25:13-27    | Mark 13:1-13     |
| <b>27</b>  | 146, 147                 | 2 Samuel 24:1-2, 10-25  | Gal. 3:23-4:7    | John 8:12-20     |
| <b>28</b>  | 1, 2, 3                  | 1 Kings 1:5-31          | Acts 26:1-23     | Mark 13:14-27    |
| <b>29</b>  | 5, 6                     | 1 Kings 1:38-2:4        | Acts 26:24-27:8  | Mark 13:28-37    |
| <b>30</b>  | 119:1-24                 | 1 Kings 3:1-15          | Acts 27:9-26     | Mark 14:1-11     |
| <b>31</b>  | 18:1-20                  | 1 Kings 3:16-28         | Acts 27:27-44    | Mark 14:12-26    |