



**FBC Reading Plan**  
November 2018

**Why a Reading Plan:** God speaks to people through His Word. It is what He uses to transform our lives by orienting our minds toward His truth and aligning our heart toward what He loves. The aim of this reading plan is not to merely check a box off a list, but to encourage our church body to spend time hearing from God. Here at FBC we want to provide you with the tools to grow. This reading plan aligns with the Sunday morning message and Life Group times.

**How to use this booklet:** Each week you will start with the passage that the sermon that coming Sunday will be based on. Each week will have a theme and each reading will compliment that theme. The passages are relatively short to encourage you to spend more time thinking through a passage and writing down a few thoughts. We have provided at least one question to give you something to think through. However, we do encourage the H.E.A.R. method. Because the passages are shorter, the reading is the **highlight**. We encourage you to then write a short **explanation** of what the passage is saying and the big idea the author is trying to communicate. We think **application** is a crucial part of a transformation process. In this section, you are writing down how you can apply the truth from this passage to your life. Application should always be done in a spirit of prayer, as you are asking God to reveal to you how it applies. Finally, it is not enough to settle for knowing some truth or how it might apply to your life without a specific response. So we encourage you to write out a **response**. This can be a response to God or a specific action you will take as a result of your time with the Lord.

**Memory Verse:** This year, we want to challenge you to memorize a different passage of Scripture each month. That memory verse is provided on the next page in the ESV, NIV, and NLT versions.

## Week 4: Jesus our High Priest, Pt. 2

Starting Date November 26th

**Application:**

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**Response:**

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## Week 4: Jesus our High Priest, Pt. 2

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**Day 5** Highlight: Luke 22:39-46

### Explanation:

Note the repetition in v. 40 and v. 46. What was Jesus's temptation? How does his example teach us to deal with temptation?

### November's Memory Verse

14 Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. 15 For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin. 16 Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

**Hebrews 4:14-16 (ESV)**

14 Therefore, since we have a great high priest who has ascended into heaven, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold firmly to the faith we profess. 15 For we do not have a high priest who is unable to empathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who has been tempted in every way, just as we are—yet he did not sin. 16 Let us then approach God's throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need.

**Hebrews 4:14-16 (NIV)**

14 So then, since we have a great High Priest who has entered heaven, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold firmly to what we believe. 15 This High Priest of ours understands our weaknesses, for he faced all of the same testings we do, yet he did not sin. 16 So let us come boldly to the throne of our gracious God. There we will receive his mercy, and we will find grace to help us when we need it most.

**Hebrews 4:14-16 (NLT)**

## Week 1: The Rest of God

Starting Date November 5th

**Day 1** Highlight: Hebrews 4:1-11

### Explanation:

How can a Christian fear God (v. 1) and rest in God (v. 3) at the same time?

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## Week 4: Jesus our High Priest, Pt. 2

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**Day 4** Highlight: Micah 3:1-12

### Explanation:

Based on v. 11, the priests are associated with the rulers (“heads”) of Israel. What does God condemn the rulers of Israel for, and how will God respond?

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## Week 1: The Rest of God

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**Day 2** Highlight: Genesis 1:1-2:3

### Explanation:

What does it mean that "God rested"?

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**Day 3** Highlight: Numbers 16:1-40

### Explanation:

In challenging Aaron's claim to the priesthood, what were Korah and his clan doing? What was this story meant to teach? How does that connect with Heb. 5:4-5?

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## Week 1: The Rest of God

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**Day 3** Highlight: Exodus 31:12-17

### **Explanation:**

How does keeping the Sabbath day reinforce that God is “the Lord who sanctifies you” (v. 13)?

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## Week 4: Jesus our High Priest, Pt. 2

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**Day 2** Highlight: Leviticus 4:1-4; 9:1-7; 16:6, 11

### Explanation:

How do these passages affect your understanding of Christian leaders?

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## Week 1: The Rest of God

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**Day 4** Highlight: Joshua 1:1-15

### Explanation:

The people did have rest from war under Joshua (Josh. 11:23; 21:44). Yet Hebrews says that God promises another type of rest. How is the promise to Christians of entering God's rest different from the rest Joshua and Israel experienced?

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## Week 4: Jesus our High Priest, Pt. 2

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**Day 1** Highlight: Hebrews 5:1-10

### Explanation:

How are the ideas of suffering, obedience, and salvation related in this passage?

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## **Week 1: The Rest of God**

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**Day 5** **Highlight:** Matthew 12:1-14

### **Explanation:**

How can we keep the Sabbath in such a way to please God?

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## **Week 3: Jesus our High Priest, Pt. 1**

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**Day 5** Highlight: Ephesians 3:7-13

### **Explanation:**

Where does Paul express humility in this passage and where does he express boldness? What is the connection between those two ideas? (Note: the word translated “boldness” (ESV) is the same Greek word translated “confidence” in Heb. 4:16.)

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## Week 2: The Piercing Word of God

Starting Date November 12th

**Day 1** Highlight: Hebrews 4:12-13

### **Explanation:**

Based on these verses, what is the result of an encounter with God's Word? Is that your common experience?

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## Week 3: Jesus our High Priest, Pt. 1

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**Day 4** Highlight: Mark 8:27-39

### **Explanation:**

What is Jesus tempted by in this passage? How are you tempted in the same way?

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## **Week 2: The Piercing Word of God**

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**Day 2** Highlight: Jeremiah 20

### **Explanation:**

Why is it that Jeremiah cannot stop speaking God's Word even though it results in great suffering for him?

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## **Week 3: Jesus our High Priest, Pt. 1**

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**Day 3** Highlight: Numbers 18:1-7

### **Explanation:**

The tribe of Levi was chosen by God to serve in the tabernacle. Aaron was a member of the tribe of Levi, and he and his sons were selected to serve as priests. Why were priests so important in ancient Israel?

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## Week 2: The Piercing Word of God

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**Day 3** Highlight: Psalm 33

### Explanation:

This psalm and Hebrews 4:12-13 speak about how we should respond to the fact that God observes all that we do. What are those responses?

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## **Week 3: Jesus our High Priest, Pt. 1**

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**Day 2** Highlight: Matthew 10:24-33

### **Explanation:**

The word translated “acknowledges” in v. 32 (ESV) is the same root of the word “confession” in Hebrews 4:14. According to the Matthew text, why would a person not confess Jesus?

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**Day 4** Highlight: James 1:19-27

### Explanation:

How has God's Word changed you recently? How can you be more intentional about doing God's Word?

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## Week 3: Jesus our High Priest, Pt. 1

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**Day 1** Highlight: Hebrews 4:14-16

### Explanation:

How do God's mercy and grace help us in time of need?

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**Day 5** Highlight: Colossians 1:3-8

### **Explanation:**

What is the fruit that the Word of God produces? If the Word of God produces this fruit, where do you see it in your life and the lives of your brothers and sisters in Christ?

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