

# awakening grace

scripture reading alternative

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John Wesley, founder of the Methodist movement, lived a life that sparked radical transformation in individuals and society. His Oxford intellect fueled a hunger for reading widely and writing prolifically. Yet he often referred to himself as “a man of one book.” Below is a paraphrase of his guidelines for engaging with this one book, the Bible.

**Practice Daily.** By submitting to this discipline, we become rooted in Scripture and it takes root in us.

**Go Small.** By moving through small portions at a time, we are able to focus our minds and hearts more intentionally, and soak in what we are reading.

**Listen and Obey.** Read with a focused purpose to know the will of God and a fixed resolution to do it. Ask for the wisdom to understand God’s direction and the courage to obey it.

**Follow the Story.** The great themes run like a thread through the Bible. Keep watch for them. How does the passage at hand point to the larger story?

**Pray.** The same Holy Spirit who inspired the writing of Scripture continues to inspire the reading of it today. Begin your reading with prayer for understanding. End your time with prayer for application and transformation. Ask that the seeds of truth will give way to the fruit of growth.

**Pause and Act.** When finished, we should pause and reflect on what we have heard and what it means for our lives. Then, in humble obedience, we should actively live it out.

Read one chapter a day, every day for six months. For those who want to dig deeper, read a psalm or chapter from Proverbs as well.

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