



READING PLAN FOR WEEK OF April 11, 2021

DAY 1

READ ► Hebrews 1:1-2:18

When too many people are talking at once, it's hard to hear anyone clearly. As a father of three, I know firsthand how difficult it can be to listen to multiple, competing voices simultaneously. The same is true spiritually. There are so many voices competing for your attention, but the most important voice to listen to is God's.

God has spoken clearly through His Word, and His Word reveals how God has spoken to us through Jesus. God came to us through Jesus so that we could come to God. Jesus is our perfect Savior and understanding brother. He can help you in every situation because He has suffered and been tempted Himself (Heb. 2:17-18). Listen to His voice above all others.

What are the loudest voices in your life? How can you listen to Jesus better?



DAY 2

READ ► Hebrews 3:1-4:16

When you think of Moses, what comes to mind? A burning bush? The Red Sea? A mountaintop experience with God? A bronze serpent? Looking into the promised land but not entering? Moses was generally faithful in God's work, and the Hebrews honored him with great esteem—but he was not Jesus. Moses was a servant of God, but Jesus was the Son of God.

Moses led the people out of Egypt, but he was unable to set them free from the bondage of sin. But Jesus is the mediator of a better covenant, which leads us into the promises of God. As we follow Jesus, we should guard our hearts, challenge one another to be faithful, and fight against sin. By faith, we should obey God in every area of life. Trust the Word of God and draw near to the Son of God. He overcame every temptation so that we could live in freedom from sin.

What are some of the strongest temptations in your life and what are you doing to overcome them through Jesus?



DAY 3

READ ► Hebrews 5:1-6:20

The writer of Hebrews warns readers to make sure they give evidence of a genuine conversion in Christ. Religious ritual is not enough; believers' lives should give clear evidence of a walk with God. We are not saved by our works or own efforts; rather, Jesus died as the perfect sacrifice to offer eternal salvation to all who trust in Him. But saving faith is not passive and lazy (6:11-12). We should imitate the diligence and perseverance of believers who came before us (6:12), so that we, too, may give evidence of the genuineness of our faith

Are you moving forward in your walk with God or drifting backwards?



DAY 4

READ ► Hebrews 7:1-9:28

Jesus is greater than all. This passage shows that the old system has always pointed to something better still to come. The One who is better is the perfect Son of God, holy and undefiled, the High Priest forever. Where the Law could not save, He can, and does. In fact, He now sits at the right hand of the throne of God and intercedes for us. Since Jesus is greater than all, His work produces a greater change. Before, God had written his law in stone, but through the gospel, God writes His words on our heart and our minds. He does more than change our behavior—Jesus changes the heart.

What is at least one way you need to let God change not only your external behavior, but also your heart?



DAY 5

READ ► Hebrews 10:1-39

The old covenant system was only a shadow of what was still to come. Because Jesus, our High Priest, died for us, we have access to God. It is a sacred privilege to have access to God's throne. We must be careful not to take that truth for granted or fail to take advantage of the access we have in Jesus.

At the same time, all of us must examine our own hearts. We should not approach God carelessly or irreverently. If we are living in deliberately sin, we should repent and throw ourselves upon God's mercy without delay. Jesus' work does not diminish the seriousness of sin or make it safe, but it makes freedom and forgiveness possible. You have access to God. Use it to turn from sin and live in a way that honors Jesus' sacrifice.

How can you take advantage of the access to God you have through Christ?

