

# *Growing Closer to God in 31 Days*

*- reading through out the Bible*

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Psalm 63	Colossians 2:6-7	Ephesians 2:1-10	Psalm 1	Isaiah 40:28-31	Mark 2:1-12	Luke 7:36-50
John 15:1-13	2 Cor. 5:14-17	Philippians 3:7-14	Psalm 145	Hebrews 4:14-16	Galatians 2:20-21	Romans 8
2 Peter 1:3-9	Colossians 1:9-23	Philippians 2:1-11	Romans 5:1-8	John 1:1-18	Psalm 19:7-11	1 Thes. 4:1-8
1 John 1:9	1 John 4:7-13	Romans 12:1-5	Philippians 4:6-9	John 4:1-42	Isaiah 53	2 Timothy 2:1-7
John 14:6	Colossians 3:1-17	Isaiah 55				

*- Proverbs: the book of wisdom*

There are 31 chapters in the book of Proverbs and no more than 31 days in any given month. Whatever date of the month it is, open to that chapter and read the chapter of the day.

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*- Galatians Ephesians Philippians Colossians*

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Galatians 1	Galatians 2	Galatians 3	Galatians 4	Galatians 5
Galatians 6	Ephesians 1	Ephesians 2	Ephesians 3	Ephesians 4
Ephesians 5	Ephesians 6	Philippians 1	Philippians 2	Philippians 3
Philippians 4	Colossians 1	Colossians 2	Colossians 3	Colossians 4

# Using a tool called SPECK

Read through the passage and observe these five categories

S- Sin to Avoid

P- Promise to Claim

E- Example to Follow

C- Command to be Noticed

K- Knowledge to be Gained

## Example

1 Cor. 2: 1-5

And I, when I came to you, brothers,[a] did not come proclaiming to you the testimony[b] of God with lofty speech or wisdom. **2** For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ and him crucified. **3** And I was with you in weakness and in fear and much trembling, **4** and my speech and my message were not in plausible words of wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power, **5** so that your faith might not rest in the wisdom of men[c] but in the power of God.

## Sin to Avoid

speaking in lofty speech (vs 1)

focussing on something other than Jesus (vs 2)

depending on the wisdom of man (vs 5)

## Promise to Claim

Jesus and his death on the cross for us (vs 2)

even when we are weak and in fear, the Spirit can work (vs 3-4)

there is power in God (vs 5)

## Example to Follow

Even when Paul is fearful, he still speaks truth with the power of the Holy Spirit. He does not depend on the approval of man, but he looks to God for power and assurance.

## Command to be Noticed

Paul went to the Corinthians - we should likewise “go” to those around us.

Our faith should rest in the power of God. (vs 5)

## Knowledge to be Gained

It is ok to have fears.

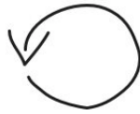
Our fears should not keep us from acting in faith.

God is more powerful than our fears.

God can work even when we are weak.

## Using the arrows tool

What does this passage say?



What does this passage mean to its original audience?



What does this passage tell us about God?



What does this passage tell us about man?



What does this passage demand of me?



How does this passage change the way I relate to people?



How does this passage prompt me to pray?

