

# The King James Bible: Suggested Readings

## The Old Testament

### **Genesis**

1, 2	The Creation
3	The Fall
4.1-15	Cain and Abel
6.1-9.19	Noah and the Flood
11.1-9	The Tower of Babel
12.1-9	The call of Abraham
16	Sarah and Hagar
17	God's covenant with Abraham
18.1-15	A son promised to Sarah
18.16-19.28	The destruction of Sodom
21.1-22.19	Isaac
24.57-67	Rebecca
25.19-27.46	Esau and Jacob
30.22-43	Jacob's youth
32.22-32	Jacob returns to Canaan
37	Joseph sold into Egypt
39	Potiphar's wife tempts Joseph
41	Joseph and the Pharaoh
42-54	Joseph and his brothers

### **Exodus**

1.8-2.22	Moses
4.1-17	The burning bush
5.1-18	The Israelites' complaints
11	The last plague
14	The Exodus from Egypt
16	Manna and the Sabbath
17	Moses strikes the rock for water
17	Amalek defeated
19, 20	Moses on Mt. Sinai
32	The descent from Sinai
40	The Tabernacle

### **Leviticus**

12	The purification of women
13.9-46	The laws concerning leprosy
17.10-12	The significance of blood

### **Numbers**

13.17-14.45	The spies in Canaan
20.1-13	Moses strikes the rock
21.4-9	The fiery serpents
22.20-23.12	Balaam

### **Deuteronomy**

14.3-21	Clean and unclean beasts
23.19-20	Usury
24.1-6	Divorce
25.1-4	Beating of offenders
25.5-10	Raising up children for a dead brother
34	The death of Moses

### **Joshua**

2	Rahab
3,4	The River Jordan
6	The Battle of Jericho
9	The Gibeonites
10.12-14	The sun stands still
20	The cities of refuge
24.29-33	The death of Joshua

### **Judges**

2.11-23	Sins of the Israelites
4	Deborah, Joel
6.36-7.25	Gideon
11	Jephtha
12.1-6	"Shibboleth"
13-16	Samson

### **Ruth**

1-4	Ruth
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### **The First Book of Samuel**

1-5	Samuel and the Ark
8-10	Saul the King
15	Samuel and Saul
16-17	David the King
18	David and Jonathan
28	The Witch of Endor
31	The slaying of Saul and Jonathan

### **The Second Book of Samuel**

1	David's lamentations
2.1-4	David, King of Judah
5.1-10	David, King of Israel
6	David and the Ark
11-12	David and Bath-sheba
13.1-19.8	David and Absalom

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### ***The First Book of the Kings***

1.1-2.12	King Solomon
3	Solomon's wisdom
10	The Queen of Sheba, Solomon's wealth
11-12	The dividing of the kingdom
16.29-34	Ahab the King
18-19	Elijah
21-22	Ahab and Jezebel

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### ***The Second Book of the Kings***

2	Elijah and Elisha
4-5	Elisha
6.24-7.20	Elisha's prophecy fulfilled
17	The end of the kingdom of Israel
25	The end of the kingdom of Judah

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### ***Esther***

1-8	Esther
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### ***Job***

1-42	Job
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### ***The Psalms***

1-150	Especially 1, 2, 8, 11, 14, 19, 22, 23, 24, 38, 40, 42, 45, 46, 51, 63, 90, 91, 96, 103, 110, 114, 114, 115, 121, 122, 127, 130, 133, 137, 139, 150.
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### ***The Proverbs***

1-31	Especially 1.1-10, 3.1-20, 15.1-5, 21.1-4, 26.1-14, 30.15-28, 31.10-31.
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### ***Ecclesiastes, or the Preacher***

1-12	Especially 1.1-17, 3.1-15, 11, 12.
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### ***The Song of Solomon***

2	Love
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### ***Isaiah***

2.1-4	War
5.1-7	Parable of the vineyard
6	Isaiah's vision
7.10-17	Immanuel
9.1-7	The Prince of Peace
11.1-9	The rule of the Messiah
32.1-8	Righteousness and justice
37.21-38	Isaiah's prophecy
40.1-8	Comfort
42.1-9	The mission of the Servant
53	The suffering servant
55	Seek the <i>Lord</i>
61.1-9	The year of the Lord's favor

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### ***Daniel***

1-6	Daniel
13*	Susanna and the Elders
14*	Bel and the Dragon

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### ***Jonah***

1-4	Jonah and the great fish
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### ***Judith\****

8-16	Judith
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### ***Ecclesiasticus, or the Wisdom of Jesus the Son of Sirach\****

13.1-14	False friends
30	Disciplining children
38.24-34	Craftsmen and workmen
44.1-15	Famous men

\* Books or chapters marked with an asterisk exist only in the Apocrypha.

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## **The New Testament**

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### ***The Gospel according to Matthew***

1.18-2.23	Birth of Jesus
3	John the Baptist
4	The Temptation of Christ
5-7	The Sermon on the Mount
9.9-17	The call of Matthew
10	The mission of the Twelve
11.25-30	Jesus' prayer
13.24-52	Six parables of the kingdom
13.53-58	The prophet without honor
15.21-31	The woman of Tyre
15.32-39	The feeding of the five thousand
16.13-28	Peter's confession and rebuke
(16.17-19)	( <i>The keys of the kingdom</i> )
17.24-27	The tribute
18.1-20	Jesus and the children; forgiveness
18.21-35	Parable of the merciless servant
20.1-19	Parable of the laborers in the vineyard
20.20-28	The mother of James and John
20.29-34	The healing of the blind men

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### ***The Gospel according to Mark***

4.1-20	Parable of the sower
5	Healings (The Gadarene swine)
6.14-29	Death of John the Baptist
6.30-44	The feeding of the five thousand
8.14-26	The disciples rebuked
9.1-13	The Transfiguration
9.14-32	The dumb boy healed
10.1-31	On marriage, children, and riches

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### ***The Gospel according to Luke***

1.1-4	The preface
1.5-25	Elizabeth and the Angel Gabriel
1.26-38	The Annunciation
1.46-56	The Visitation
1.57-80	The birth of John
2.1-21	The birth of Jesus
2.22-40	The Purification
2.41-52	The boy Jesus in the temple
3.1-22	John the Baptist
4.16-32	The rejection at Nazareth
4.33-44	Jesus at Capernaum
5.1-11	The great draught of fishes
5.12-26	Jesus heals a leper and a paralytic
6.1-11	Jesus and the Sabbath
7.1-10	<i>Domine, non sum dignus...</i>
7.11-17	The widow's son brought to life
7.36-50	John and Jesus
10.1-24	The mission of the seventy
10.25-37	Parable of the good Samaritan
10.38-42	Martha and Mary
11.1-13	The Lord's Prayer
11.37-54	The Pharisees and lawyers rebuked
12.13-40	The neglect of material things
13.10-17	The woman healed on the Sabbath
13.22-30	Who shall be saved?
13.31-35	The warning about Herod
14.1-6	Healing on the Sabbath
14.7-14	Humility
14.15-24	Parable of the great supper
14.25-15.2	The cost of following Jesus
15.3-7	Parable of the lost sheep
15.8-10	Parable of the lost piece
15.11-32	Parable of the prodigal son
16.1-13	Parable of the dishonest steward
16.19-31	Parable of the rich man and the beggar
17	On forgiveness, faith, the kingdom of God
18.1-8	Parable of the importunate widow
18.9-17	Parable of the Pharisee and the publican
19.11-28	Parable of the pounds
19.29-48	Jesus enters Jerusalem and weeps
(Mark 11.11-26)	<i>The barren fig tree</i>
20	The Pharisees and the Sadducees
21.5-38	The end of Jerusalem and the world
22	The Passover in Jerusalem
23	The trial and Crucifixion
(Mark 27.24-25)	<i>The trial</i>
(Mark 27.46-49)	<i>The last words of Jesus</i>
24	The Resurrection, appearance, and Resurrection

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### ***The Gospel according to John***

1.1-24	The Divine Word & John the Baptist
2.1-11	The marriage at Cana
3.1-21	Nicodemus
4	The woman of Samaria
6.1-21	The feeding of the 5000; walking on water
8.1-11	The woman taken in adultery
9	The blind man
10.1-18	The Good Shepherd
11	Lazarus
12.1-19	Mary anoints Jesus' feet
12.20-25	Jesus in Jerusalem
13-17	The Last Supper
19	The trial, Crucifixion, and burial
20-21	The Resurrection and appearance

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### ***The Acts of the Apostles***

1.6-11; 2.1-21	The Ascension, the Pentecost
3.1-11	The healing on Solomon's porch
6:8-15, 7:51-60	Stephen stoned
9.1-30	The conversion of Saul of Tarsus
9:32-43	The miracles of Peter
10:9-23	Peter's vision
19.23-41	The riot at Ephesus

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### ***The Epistle to the Romans***

3.19-31, 5.1-11	Justification by faith
13	Obedience to authority

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### ***The First Epistle to the Corinthians***

11.1-16	The duty of men and women
11.17-34	The Lord's Supper
13	Charity
15.35-58	The resurrection of the dead

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### ***The Epistle to the Hebrews***

11	The power of faith ( <i>a fast review of the OT</i> )
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### ***The Epistle of James***

2.14-26	Justification by faith and works
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### ***The Revelation of John the Divine, or The Apocalypse***

1.4-20	John's vision
4	The vision of God on His throne
5	The Lamb and the seven seals
6-7	The four horsemen; The four angels
12	The woman clothed with the sun
17	The scarlet woman and the beast with seven heads
21	The new Jerusalem