WEEK 11: THE HOLY SPIRIT – GOD'S PRESENCE **AMONG HIS PEOPLE** John 14:15–31. Jesus promises the Spirit as our Helper. Acts 2:1-21 & Joel 2:28-32. The outpouring of the Spirit. Romans 8:1-17. Life led by the Spirit. Galatians 5:16-26. The fruit of the Spirit. 1 Corinthians 12:1–27. Spiritual gifts in the body of Christ. Psalm 143. A prayer for the Spirit's guidance and strength. WEEK 12: THE RETURN OF CHRIST – THE COMPLETION OF GOD'S PLAN Matthew 24:29-44. Christ's return will be visible and sudden. 1 Thessalonians 4:13-5:11. The hope of resurrection and readiness Revelation 21:1–22:5. The new heaven and new earth. Titus 2:11-14 & 2 Peter 3:8-13. Living in anticipation of Christ's return. Acts 1:6-11 & John 14:1-6. The promise of His coming again. Psalm 98. Rejoicing in the coming of the Lord to judge and restore. SOAP BIBLE STUDY METHOD Scripture: Write out a verse or passage of Scripture that speaks to your heart. **Observation:** What stood out to you about this verse? Were there any commands or instructions? What is the author saying? **Application:** How can you apply this verse to your life today? How can you live in light of this truth? Pray: Respond to this passage in prayer. Ask God to help you apply this Scripture to your life and spend some time listening to what He may be telling you.



THE STORY BIBLE READING PLAN

This Bible reading plan is intended to accompany our NewHope preaching series. Over 12-weeks, we will explore 'The Story' of God's redeeming work in the world and reflect on the major turning points of Scripture. You are invited to participate in weekly readings as together we uncover the deep, consistent heartbeat of God's redemptive love.

WEEK 1: GOD'S SOVEREIGNTY – THE GRAND

NARRATIVE OF SCRIPTURE

Genesis 1-2. God creates a good world with purpose.
Genesis 3 & Romans 5:12-21. Sin enters, but grace abounds.
Psalm 33. God's sovereignty and creative power.
Isaiah 46:8–13 & Ephesians 1:3–14. God's plan spans history.
Colossians 1:15-23 & John 1:1-14. Christ at the centre of creation and redemption.
Revelation 21–22. The story's glorious end and new beginning.
TEEK 2: THE FORMING OF ISRAEL – GOD'S HOSEN PEOPLE
Genesis 12:1-9 & Galatians 3:6-14. Abraham's calling & the promise.
Exodus 19:1-8 & 1 Peter 2:9-10. God's treasured possession.
Deuteronomy 7:6–11 & Romans 9:1–8. Chosen by grace, not merit.
Psalm 105. God remembers His covenant.
Isaiah 41:8–13 & Matthew 1:1–17. God's faithfulness through generations.
Joshua 24. Covenant renewal and commitment to serve.

GOD'S POWER	WEEK 7: THE EXILE—GOD'S JUDGMENT, FAITHFULNESS, AND RESTORATION
Exodus 12:1-42. The Passover and God's deliverance.	2 Kings 25:1–21 & Psalm 137. The fall of Jerusalem and the grief
Exodus 14. Crossing the Red Sea.	of exile. Jeremiah 29:1–14. A letter of hope in the midst of exile.
Psalm 77. Remembering God's mighty acts.	Ezekiel 36:16-32. A promise of cleansing and new hearts.
Romans 6:1–14. Freedom from sin through Christ.	Daniel 9:1-19. A prayer of confession and hope.
1 Corinthians 10:1–13. Lessons from the Exodus generation.	Isaiah 55:1–13. God's invitation to return with assurance.
John 8:31–36 & Hebrews 11:23–29. True freedom through faith.	Luke 15:11–32. The parable of the prodigal son (exile and return
WEEK 4: THE KINGS – GOD'S RULE THROUGH HUMAN AUTHORITY	WEEK 8: THE FULFILMENT IN CHRIST – GOD PROMISES KEPT
1 Samuel 8 & Psalm 146. Israel's request for a king and the call to trust God.	Matthew 5:17–48. Jesus fulfils and deepens the Law.
2 Samuel 7:1–17 & Luke 1:26–33. God's covenant with David.	Luke 24:13–35. The risen Christ explains the Scriptures.
Psalm 2 & Isaiah 9:1-7. The promised King who brings peace.	Isaiah 53 & John 1:29–34. The suffering servant and the Lamb of God.
Matthew 21:1-11. Jesus enters as the humble King.	Hebrews 10:1–18. Christ's once-for-all sacrifice.
John 18:28–40 & Revelation 19:11–16. Christ's kingdom is not of this world.	2 Corinthians 1:18-22 & Acts 3:17-26. God's "Yes" in Jesus.
Philippians 2:1–11. The King who serves and is exalted.	Psalm 118. The stone the builders rejected has become the cornerstone.
WEEK 5: WISDOM, WORSHIP, AND LAMENT – THE HEART OF OT WRITINGS	WEEK 9: THE CHURCH – A PEOPLE CALLED BY GOD TO REACH THE NATIONS
Proverbs 1 & James 1:1-8. The pursuit of wisdom.	Acts 1:1-11 & Matthew 28:16-20. The mission begins.
Psalm 1 & 19. Delighting in God's Word.	Acts 2:1–41. The Spirit empowers the Church at Pentecost.
Psalm 23 & John 10:1–18. God as Shepherd.	Acts 2:42–47 & Ephesians 2:11–22. The community of believers.
Psalm 51 & 2 Corinthians 7:8–11. True repentance.	Acts 13:1-12 & Romans 10:8-17. Sent to the nations.
Lamentations 3:1–33. Suffering with hope in God's mercy.	Colossians 1:1–20 & Revelation 7:9–17. Christ at the centre of a global Church.
Ecclesiastes 3:1-15 & 12:9-14. Wisdom in life's seasons and conclusion.	Psalm 96. Proclaim God's glory among the nations.
WEEK 6: THE PROPHETS – LONGING FOR RESTORATION IN A BROKEN WORLD	WEEK 10: THE CROSS & THE RESURRECTION THE POWER OF NEW LIFE
Isaiah 6:1–13. Called to speak for God in a rebellious world.	Isaiah 52:13–53:12. The suffering servant's sacrifice.
Micah 6:1-8 & Matthew 5:1-12. What the Lord requires.	Mark 15:21–39 & Romans 5:6–11. Christ's death and what it accomplished.
Jeremiah 31:27–34 & Hebrews 8:6–13. The promise of a new covenant.	Colossians 2:6–15 & John 19:28–30. Victory over sin and death.
Hosea 6:1-6 & Zecharlah 1:1-6. Return to the Lord.	Luke 24:1–35. The resurrection transforms despair to joy.
Psalm 85. A prayer for restoration.	1 Corinthians 15:1–26. The resurrection as the foundation of our hope.
Matthew 4:12–25 & Luke 4:14–30. Jesus fulfils the prophetic hope.	Psalm 22. Prophetic lament and praise, fulfilled in Christ's suffering