



Inspire

Celebrating His Goodness

Bible Study

Read THE Book

September 6 is “Read a Book Day.” Reading is fun and there are lots of great books to read, but the best book to read is THE Book—The Bible. Psalm 119 is all about God’s Word. All 176 verses of this psalm shows the author’s love and passion for God’s Word. Spend the month of September digging into the longest chapter of the Bible. Don’t panic—you don’t have to read all 176 verses in one sitting, but it will be broken into small segments. As you read each section, ask yourself the following questions:

- What words are used to describe God’s Word?
- What are the benefits of God’s Word to the believer’s life?
- What should be your attitude towards God’s Word?
- How should you respond to God’s Word?
- What is one thing you will do today in response to what you read?

For an extra challenge, spend the weekends memorizing just one verse each week.

Sunday, September 1	Psalm 119:1-8
Monday, September 2	Psalm 119:9-16
Tuesday, September 3	Psalm 119:17-24
Wednesday, September 4	Psalm 119:25-32
Thursday, September 5	Psalm 119:33-40
Friday, September 6	Psalm 119:41-48
Monday, September 9	Psalm 119:49-56
Tuesday, September 10	Psalm 119:57-64
Wednesday, September 11	Psalm 119:65-72
Thursday, September 12	Psalm 119:73-80
Friday, September 13	Psalm 119:81-88
Monday, September 16	Psalm 119:89-96
Tuesday, September 17	Psalm 119:97-104
Wednesday, September 18	Psalm 119:105-112
Thursday, September 19	Psalm 119:113-120
Friday, September 20	Psalm 119:121-128
Monday, September 23	Psalm 119:129-136
Tuesday, September 24	Psalm 119:137-144
Wednesday, September 25	Psalm 119:145-152
Thursday, September 26	Psalm 119:153-160
Friday, September 27	Psalm 119:161-168
Monday, September 30	Psalm 119:169-176

Things to Celebrate

Education Ideas

September is International Square Dancing Month. As a WM group, take a lesson.

It is also National Sewing Month. Teach a class about basic sewing skills or teach a sewing craft.

September 6 is Read a Book Day. Start a Book Club for WM, or have women share book reports about their favorite book.

Fellowship Ideas

September is better breakfast month. Have a WM breakfast outing (or breakfast for dinner).

September is Classical Music Month and National Piano Month. Attend a concert or piano recital.

September 15 is National Women’s Friendship Day. Get together and celebrate those friendships.

September 16 is National Playdoh Day. Enjoy reliving childhood hood memories and have fun creating with playdoh. Join in with the youth groups of the corps on this day or donate playdoh to the youth program or a local daycare.

Service Ideas

Make a small favor and deliver it to some of the unsung heroes in our community: The 4th is Newspaper Carrier Day, the 8th is Grandparent’s Day, and the 28th is National Good Neighbor Day.

September 11 is 9-11 Remembrance Day. Make a gift for the local fire department or police departments to thank them for being first responders.

For more holidays to celebrate go to www.holidayinsights.com/

Commissioner Jolene K. Hodder—Territorial President of Women’s Ministries

Colonel Colleen R. Riley—Territorial Secretary for Women’s Ministries

Major Beth Desplancke—Territorial Women’s Ministries Program Secretary

Be sure to check out our website for more resources: <https://usw-womensministries.org/>

INSPIRATIONAL IDEAS from the Territory

Twin Falls, ID quarterly focus was "God is our Greatest Treasure."

Turlock, CA had two interns come and teach monthly classes on Mental Health, Anti-Bullying and Eating Healthy.

The Dalles, OR changed their "Yarnspiration" outreach group name to "Kraft-tastic" in hopes to attract more women by broadening their scope of activity.

Santa Clara, CA did salsa dancing as one of their monthly programs.

San Francisco South of Market, CA studied the book "Gifts of Imperfection" by Brene Brown.

San Francisco Chinatown, CA started a worship team in Home League.

Salem Kroc, OR started a "Yarn Over Coffee" group. The women simply get together and crochet/knit hats and scarves to give to the shelter.

Roswell, NM started a new WM outreach group, "Walking and Talking"

Pendleton, OR used as their quarterly theme for WM, "God's Got This!"

Monterey, CA did a book study of "A Perfect Mess" by Lisa Harper.

Hobbs, NM has started a study of "Uninvited," by Lysa TerKeurst.

Hayward, CA made baby starter boxes for teen moms at the local hospital.

Gresham, OR is doing a study on the attributes of God with the book "Behold Your God" by John Snyder.

Grants Pass, OR did an "Every Child" box party where boxes were filled with items foster children will need in new foster home placement.

Carson City, NV is studying the book "Masterful Living" by Kevin Manoa. It focuses on what it means to live a holy life and what that looks like.

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Better than a Fortune Cookie

September 13 is National Fortune Cookie Day and the 15th is National Women's Friendship Day. As a WM group enjoy eating fortune cookies and laughing over some of the funny sayings with your friends, and then spend some time answering the Friends in the Bible trivia questions (see below).

The Book of Proverbs has a lot of wise words about friendship. Be assured the wisdom in the Bible is better than any fortune cookie wisdom.

Read the following verses to discover important qualities of a good friend: Proverbs 16:28, 17:9, 17, 22:11, 27:5-6, 9.

Read the following verses to discover the importance of choosing friends wisely: Proverbs 12:26, 13:20, 18:24, 22:24-25, 27:17

For extra fun, make fortune cookies as a WM group (recipes can be found on the internet—be sure to test the recipe beforehand at home) and include some of these verses as the fortune.

You are
GOOD, and what
you do is good;
teach me your decrees.

Psalm 119:68

Bible Trivia

Friends in the Bible

1. Whom did God talk to as a friend? (Exodus 33:11)
2. The Bible tells us that the souls of these two men were knit together. The father of one of the men was sworn enemy of the other. Still, the two remained friends. Who were they? (1 Samuel 18:1-4)
3. The Bible does not call these women friends, but they behaved like friends. When one was returning to her homeland, the other refused to let her go alone. Who were they? (Ruth 1:16-17)
4. Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego were friends with whom? (Daniel 1:6-7)
5. Of the 12 Disciples who were the three that were Jesus' closest friends? (Mark 14:32-33)
6. Jesus was good friends with 3 siblings, a brother and two sisters, who lived in Bethany. He often went to their house to visit. Who are they? (John 11:1-3)
7. Fill in the blank: Jesus said in John 15:13 NIV, "Greater love has no one than this: _____."
8. Fill in the blank: Jesus goes onto say in John 15:14 NIV, "You are my friends if _____."
9. Many people in the Bible were close to God, but this one is actually named as a friend of God. Who is it? (James 2:23)
10. James warns not to be friends with this? Who or what is it? (James 4:4)