



5-Day Bible Reading Plan:

**Stablising Saints Amidst a Surrounding Sea
of Satanic Schemes | Rightly Dividing with
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Day 1: The Nature of the Enemy

Reading: John 8:44, Genesis 3:1-5, 2 Corinthians 4:4

Summary: Satan is not merely a deceiver in some abstract sense -- he is the originator of deception itself, the first liar, whose strategy has never changed. From the garden onward, his opening move is always the same: cast doubt on what God has said. Before you can stand firm against his schemes, you must understand his character. He is the god of this world, actively working to blind minds to the gospel. Recognizing his methods is not cause for fear but for alertness. The believer who understands the enemy is far less likely to be caught off guard.

Day 2: The Course of This World

Reading: Ephesians 2:2, 1 Timothy 4:1, 2 Timothy 4:3-4

Summary: The world is not spiritually neutral. It has a direction, a current, a course -- and that course is set by the prince of the power of the air. Like a powerful river, it pulls everything downstream without effort. Going against it requires intention and strength. The doctrines of devils described in 1 Timothy 4 are not always dramatic or obviously wicked. Often they are subtle, appealing, and packaged in spiritual language. The believer must resist the passive drift of simply absorbing whatever teaching is most popular, most exciting, or most widely shared. Discernment is not optional -- it is survival.

Day 3: The Danger of Fables and Experience

Reading: 1 Timothy 1:4, 1 Timothy 4:7, 2 Peter 1:16-19

Summary: Peter was an eyewitness of the transfiguration -- one of the most extraordinary events in human history. Yet he declared that the written Word of God is a more sure foundation than even that experience. This is a stunning statement that cuts against the grain of a culture obsessed with personal testimony and emotional encounter. Stories can move us, but they cannot establish us. Experiences can feel profound, but they can also deceive. The Word of God, preserved and complete, is the only anchor that holds when the winds of doctrine begin to blow. No fable, however compelling, can substitute for it.

Day 4: Shipwreck and Safe Harbor

Reading: Ephesians 4:14, 1 Timothy 1:19, 1 Timothy 3:15

Summary: Paul's nautical metaphors are not accidental. He was shipwrecked, and he knew precisely how dangerous open water could be. When he describes believers tossed to and fro by every wind of doctrine, he is painting a picture of genuine spiritual peril, not mere inconvenience. The local church, grounded in sound teaching, is described as the pillar and ground of the truth -- a safe harbor in a sea of confusion. This is not a small thing. When a believer drifts from sound doctrine and consistent teaching, they are not simply missing out on enrichment. They are exposing themselves to waters that have claimed many before them.

Day 5: Rooted, Grounded, and Established

Reading: Romans 16:25, Ephesians 3:17, Colossians 2:7

Summary: The contrast between the sea and the land in Scripture is the contrast between instability and establishment. God's desire for every believer is not that they merely survive the storms of doctrinal confusion but that they become so deeply rooted in truth that the winds cannot move them. That rootedness comes through one source: the faithful, consistent, rightly divided teaching of the Word of God. Paul's gospel and the preaching of Christ according to the revelation of the mystery is not optional theology for advanced students. It is the very ground beneath your feet. Without it, no amount of sincerity, effort, or religious activity will produce genuine spiritual stability.

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