Reading Plan for November
Book of Romans

Preparing Your Heart for This Reading Plan

This month, we will journey through the book of **Romans**, one of the richest and most influential letters in the New Testament. In this letter, the Apostle Paul clearly explains the gospel God's plan of salvation through Jesus Christ and what it means to live a life transformed by His grace. As you read, allow the Holy Spirit to deepen your understanding of God's righteousness, His mercy, and His unfailing love.
This reading plan is designed to be completed in **16 days**, allowing space for daily reading, personal journaling, and weekly reflection through devotions. Ask the Lord to strengthen your faith, renew your mind, and transform your heart through His Word. At the end of the month, we will gather for the **At The Table** podcast to reflect on what God has taught us and share insights from our journey through Romans.

About the Book of Romans

Author: The Apostle Paul
Audience: The believers in Rome, both Jewish and Gentile Christians
Theme: The righteousness of God revealed through the gospel of Jesus Christ.
Content Overview: Romans explores

- Humanity's universal need for salvation
- Justification by faith through Jesus Christ
- Freedom from sin and life in the Spirit
- God's faithfulness to Israel
- Living as transformed followers of Christ
- Unity within the body of Christ
- Practical Christian living marked by love, humility, and obedience

Romans call believers to offer their lives as living sacrifices and to faithfully reflect Christ in every area of life.

Reading Plan Overview

Duration: 16 days of daily Scripture reading
Weekly: One devotion per week
Encouragement: Journal what the Lord reveals to you
Gathering: Join us at the end of the month at *"At The Table"* for discussion and shared reflection.

WEEK ONE

Day 1:
Day 2:
Day 3:
Day 4:
Day 5:

Devotion

Going to Church and hearing God's Word is not the same as obeying it. Romans 2 reminds us that God is not looking for people who simply know the truth, but people who live by it, those are His true children. We never arrive at becoming into the holy likeness of Christ. When we hear a Word that calls us to address a hidden or unrepentant sin, it may feel easier to ignore correction because no one else sees it. We may even excuse what others cannot see, but nothing is hidden from God. When we know what God's Word says but refuse to apply it to our lives, even in the hidden areas, something is wrong.

Reflection

What truth from God's Word am I ignoring or excusing because no one sees it? Am I more concerned with appearing righteous before people than being obedient to God in private?

WEEK TWO

Day 6:
Day 7:
Day 8:
Day 9:
Day 10:

Devotion

Before we came to Christ, we were slaves to sin. But through Jesus' death and resurrection, sin no longer has to rule over us. As believers, we will still face temptation, but remember, we are no longer powerless against it. We become slaves to whatever we choose to obey. We can continue surrendering to our flesh, or we can choose to obey God and walk in holiness. When temptation comes, remind yourself of this truth: **You are no longer a slave to the sin that once held you captive**. Fix your eyes on Jesus and surrender your desires to the Holy Spirit. In Him, there is freedom and the power to walk in a new way.

Reflection
What sin or desire am I still allowing to control me? What would it look like to surrender that area to God today and choose obedience instead?

WEEK THREE

Day 11:
Day 12:
Day 13:
Day 14:
Day 15:
Day 16:

Devotion
When we measure our lives against those around us, even other Christians, we can easily feel good about ourselves, especially when their sins are more visible than ours. But Romans remind us not to think of ourselves more highly than we ought. Our standard for holiness is not others; it's Christ. Holiness is not just about avoiding obvious sins like sexual immorality or idolatry. It's also reflected in our character and everyday interactions. Are we quick to lie, gossip, lose our temper, speak harshly, or treat others without love? These things may seem less serious because they're common or less visible, but God cares about every area of our lives.

Reflection
If Jesus is my standard for holiness, what attitudes, words, or behaviors do I need to surrender so that my life reflects His character more clearly?