

Scripture Reading Schedule

Week 5: October 12-18 *Wealth & Stewardship*

Monday	Luke 12:13-21
Tuesday	1 Timothy 6:6-10, 17-19
Wednesday	Luke 16:19-31
Thursday	2 Corinthians 8:1-15
Friday	Mark 10:17-31
Saturday	Proverbs 3:9-10; 11:24-25; 22:9

Week 6: October 19-25 *My Love Shall Not Depart*

Monday	Isaiah 51:1-11
Tuesday	Isaiah 51:12-23
Wednesday	Isaiah 52:1-15
Thursday	Isaiah 54:11-17
Friday	<i>Isaiah 54:1-10</i>
Saturday	Romans 8:31-39

Week 7: Oct. 26 - Nov. 1 *A House of Prayer for All*

Monday	Isaiah 55:1-13
Tuesday	Isaiah 56:9-12
Wednesday	Isaiah 57:1-13
Thursday	Isaiah 57:14-21
Friday	<i>Isaiah 56:1-8</i>
Saturday	Mark 11:15-19

Week 8: Nov. 2-8 *True Fasting*

Monday	Isaiah 59:1-21
Tuesday	Isaiah 60:1-22
Wednesday	Isaiah 62:1-12
Thursday	Isaiah 63:1-19
Friday	<i>Isaiah 58:1-14</i>
Saturday	Matthew 25:31-46

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Week 9: Nov. 9-15 *Good News*

Monday	Isaiah 64:1-12
Tuesday	Isaiah 65:1-7
Wednesday	Isaiah 65:8-16
Thursday	Isaiah 66:1-24
Friday	<i>Isaiah 61:1-11, 65:17-25</i>
Saturday	Luke 4:16-21

Week 10: Nov. 16-22 *Memorial Sunday*

Monday	Revelation 7:9-17
Tuesday	Matthew 5:1-12
Wednesday	Hebrews 12:1-2
Thursday	John 11:32-44
Friday	Isaiah 25:6-9
Saturday	1 Corinthians 15:5-58

*****Passages that are bold and italicized are scripture that may be used on Sunday morning.*****

Inscribed on his Hands: The Gospel According to Isaiah



Fall 2026 Reading Guide

This Fall we will be listening to the second half of Isaiah 40-66, often called “the Fifth Gospel” because of the foundational role it plays in the New Testament.

These words are spoken to a people who presumed that the story was over. God’s people find themselves in Exile. What has defined them before - their King, their nation, their temple, has all come to an end. Whatever comes next will be defined by someone else’s story.

But into this moment God speaks and is revealed. Three Hebrew words carry that revelation describing who God has been in his dealings with Israel and the nations; and who he shall always be with us.

Chesed is God's steadfast, covenant-keeping love. It is not a feeling that could shift with circumstance but a commitment, sworn and kept, whether or not the other party can hold up their end. When Isaiah 40 opens with comfort commanded rather than earned, that is **chesed**. When Isaiah 54 declares that God's steadfast love shall not depart “though the mountains be removed,” that is **chesed**.

Chesed is always God’s final word. *Nothing can separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.* Romans 8:39.

Racham, or **rachamim** in its fuller form, is God's compassion at its most physical sharing its root with the Hebrew word for womb.

This is not a detached sympathy from a distance; rather it is the ache that a mother feels for the child she carried, applied to a people who assumed they had been forgotten.

“Can a woman forget her nursing child... Yet I will not forget you” (49:15)

Racham describes God’s deep bond to us - while many of us have images of God has a ruler, law-giver or judge - scripture describes a bond that is deeper and irrevocable - God’s attitude towards us is more like a parent, a mother.

The final word **Tsedaqah**, often paired with **mishpat**, is usually translated “righteousness,” but the English translation does not do the word justice. This is not a verdict handed down; it is the work of active repair — setting right what is wrong, restoring what is broken, redistributing what has been hoarded.

The Servant of chapter 42 brings **tsedeqah** not “by crying aloud” but by refusing to snap the bruised reed. By chapter 58, **tsedeqah** has stopped being only something God does and becomes something God's people are called to practice: loosed bonds, shared bread, opened homes.

These three themes braid together each week building towards God’s promise for this world: new place where wolf and lamb lie down together, where there is no more weeping, and God’s plan for this world is no longer contested by human rebellion, but will be true for all.

This reading guide is built to let you walk that same arc, six days a week. Monday through Thursday move through Isaiah 40–66 Friday holds that week's sermon text apart, so you arrive at Sunday having already sat with the passage. Saturday turns to the Gospels, pairing each week's Isaiah text with a passage that picks up its theme

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Week 1: Sept. 14-20 The God Who Comes

Monday	Isaiah 40:12-31
Tuesday	Isaiah 41:1-16
Wednesday	Isaiah 41:17-29
Thursday	Isaiah 42:10-25
Friday	Isaiah 40:1-11
Saturday	Luke 3:1-6

Week 2: Sept. 21-27 Righteousness Without Crushing

Monday	Isaiah 43:1-13
Tuesday	Isaiah 43:14-28
Wednesday	Isaiah 44:1-13
Thursday	Isaiah 44:14-28
Friday	Isaiah 42:1-9
Saturday	Matthew 12:15-21

Week 3: Sept. 28 - Oct. 4 Can a Mother Forget?

Monday	Isaiah 45:1-13
Tuesday	Isaiah 45:14-25
Wednesday	Isaiah 46:1-13
Thursday	Isaiah 47:1-15
Friday	Isaiah 49:1-16
Saturday	Luke 2:25-32

Week 4: Oct. 5-11 Mercy That Bears

Monday	Isaiah 48:1-11
Tuesday	Isaiah 48:12-22
Wednesday	Isaiah 49:17-26
Thursday	Isaiah 50:1-11
Friday	Isaiah 53:1-12
Saturday	Acts 8:26-35