

## **READ THE ENTIRE NEW TESTAMENT DURING THE EASTER SEASON**

After Jesus rose from the dead, He spent the afternoon walking almost seven miles with two disciples. On this walk, Jesus interpreted for them every passage of the Scriptures which referred to Him (Lk 24:27). On the evening of that first Easter Sunday, Jesus opened the apostles' minds to the understanding of the Scriptures (Lk 24:45). Jesus made it clear from the several hours He spent in the word on the first resurrection-day that believing deeply in His resurrection and hearing God's word were interrelated.

With this in mind, I invite you to read the whole New Testament in the fifty-day Easter season. The Lord will give you the grace to be faithful to this discipline. Ask and you shall receive (Mt 7:7). I suggest that you celebrate the octave of Easter by reading Acts of the Apostles. Then read through the New Testament beginning with Matthew. The following arrangement may help you. As you read God's word, you will say: "Were not our hearts burning inside us as He talked to us on the road and explained the Scriptures to us?" (Lk 24:32) Then you will recognize and believe in the risen Jesus as never before.

Easter Sunday	April 4 <sup>th</sup>	Day 1	Acts 1—2
Easter Monday	April 5 <sup>th</sup>	Day 2	Acts 3—5
Easter Tuesday	April 6 <sup>th</sup>	Day 3	Acts 6—8
Easter Wednesday	April 7 <sup>th</sup>	Day 4	Acts 9—12
Easter Thursday	April 8 <sup>th</sup>	Day 5	Acts 13—15
Easter Friday	April 9 <sup>th</sup>	Day 6	Acts 16—20
Easter Saturday	April 10 <sup>th</sup>	Day 7	Acts 21—24
Sunday, Octave	April 11 <sup>th</sup>	Day 8	Acts 25—28
	April 12 <sup>th</sup>	Day 9	Matthew 1—4
	April 13 <sup>th</sup>	Day 10	Matt 5—7
	April 14 <sup>th</sup>	Day 11	Matt 8—13
	April 15 <sup>th</sup>	Day 12	Matt 14—20
	April 16 <sup>th</sup>	Day 13	Matt 21—28
	April 17 <sup>th</sup>	Day 14	Mark 1—8
Third Sunday	April 18 <sup>th</sup>	Day 15	Mark 9—16
	April 19 <sup>th</sup>	Day 16	Luke 1—9
	April 20 <sup>th</sup>	Day 17	Luke 10—19
	April 21 <sup>st</sup>	Day 18	Luke 20—24

	April 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Day 19	John 1—5
	April 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Day 20	John 6—12
	April 24 <sup>th</sup>	Day 21	John 13—17
Fourth Sunday	April 25 <sup>th</sup>	Day 22	John 18—21
	April 26 <sup>th</sup>	Day 23	Romans 1—8
	April 27 <sup>th</sup>	Day 24	Romans 9—11
	April 28 <sup>th</sup>	Day 25	Romans 12—16
	April 29 <sup>th</sup>	Day 26	1 Cor 1—4
	April 30 <sup>th</sup>	Day 27	1 Cor 5—10
Fifth Sunday	May 1 <sup>st</sup>	Day 28	1 Cor 11—16
	May 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Day 29	2 Cor 1—7
	May 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Day 30	2 Cor 8—13
	May 4 <sup>th</sup>	Day 31	Galatians
	May 5 <sup>th</sup>	Day 32	Ephesians
	May 6 <sup>th</sup>	Day 33	Philippians
	May 7 <sup>th</sup>	Day 34	Colossians
	May 8 <sup>th</sup>	Day 35	1 & 2 Thessalonians
Sixth Sunday	May 9 <sup>th</sup>	Day 36	1 Timothy
	May 10 <sup>th</sup>	Day 37	2 Timothy, Titus & Philemon
	May 11 <sup>th</sup>	Day 38	Hebrews 1—5
	May 12 <sup>th</sup>	Day 39	Hebrews 6—10
	May 13 <sup>th</sup>	Day 40	Hebrews 11—13
H.S. Novena-1*	May 14 <sup>th</sup>	Day 41	James
H.S. Novena-2	May 15 <sup>th</sup>	Day 42	1 Peter
H.S. Novena-3	May 16 <sup>th</sup>	Day 43	2 Peter ALSO ASCENSION SUNDAY
H.S. Novena-4	May 17 <sup>th</sup>	Day 44	1 John
H.S. Novena-5	May 18 <sup>th</sup>	Day 45	2 John, 3 John & Jude
H.S. Novena-6	May 19 <sup>th</sup>	Day 46	Revelation 1—3
H.S. Novena-7	May 20 <sup>th</sup>	Day 47	Rev 4—7
H.S. Novena-8	May 21 <sup>st</sup>	Day 48	Rev 8—14
H.S. Novena-9	May 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Day 49	Rev 15—19
Pentecost	May 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Day 50	Rev 20—22