

SCRIPTURE READING PLAN FOR 5781 (2020-2021)

This plan takes the Torah and Haftarah cycle as the foundation for reading entire Bible. Torah and Haftarah readings follow the one-year Jewish and Messianic divisions, with Torah readings divided into daily portions and Haftarah readings occurring on Shabbat. Note that chapter and verse designations are according to the Christian rather than Jewish numbering.

Torah and Haftarah readings for the *Moedim* (Feasts of the Lord) appear in *italics*. Readings for the rest of the Tanakh (Old Testament) and Apostolic Writings (New Testament) proceed through a daily plan that covers the entire Bible over the course of the year.

Jewish practice assigns reading of certain books to specific days related to the subject of each. This reading plan follows that practice regarding Esther, Ruth, and Lamentations, which are read on Purim (February 27), Shavuot (May 16), and the 9th of Av (July 18). Shavuot (Pentecost) and Purim are feast days; the 9th of Av (Tisha b'Av) is the solemn fast of the fifth month. Readers are free to read these books whenever they prefer, but reading them on these special days will give the thoughtful reader a window into the way our Jewish brethren have approached the scriptures for millennia.

The Psalms, Proverbs, Ecclesiastes, and Song of Solomon are presented in daily readings rather than sequentially with the rest of the Tanakh. An interesting feature about Psalms is that its five divisions (Books I-V) correspond to the five books of Moses as follows:

Book I	Psalms 1-41	Genesis
Book II	Psalms 42-72	Exodus
Book III	Psalms 73-89	Leviticus
Book IV	Psalms 90-106	Numbers
Book V	Psalms 107-150	Deuteronomy

Each section of Psalms is therefore paired with the corresponding book of the Torah, with Proverbs, Ecclesiastes, and Song of Solomon interspersed throughout the year.

The first weekly readings for the year 5781 correspond to the final readings of the previous cycle, which is why this plan begins with the last chapters of both the Tanakh and Apostolic Writings.¹

¹ For more information on the Hebrew (Jewish) calendar, visit Hebcal (<https://www.hebcal.com/>).

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1. Simchat Torah² & B'Reisheet (In the Beginning)			11-17 October 2020 (23-29 Tishrei 5781)³	
11 Oct	Deuteronomy 33:1-34:12	Joshua 1:1-2:24	Matthew 1:1-25	Psalm 1:1-6
12 Oct	Genesis 1:1-2:3	Joshua 3:1-4:24	Matthew 2:1-23	Psalm 2:1-12
13 Oct	Genesis 2:4-2:19	Joshua 5:1-6:27	Matthew 3:1-17	Psalm 3:1-8
14 Oct	Genesis 2:20-3:21	Joshua 7:1-8:22	Matthew 4:1-25	Psalm 4:1-8
15 Oct	Genesis 3:22-4:18	Joshua 8:23-9:27	Matthew 5:1-24	Psalm 5:1-12
16 Oct	Genesis 4:19-5:24	Joshua 10:1-43	Matthew 5:25-48	Proverbs 1:1-7
17 Oct	Genesis 5:25-6:8	1 Samuel 20:18-42	Matthew 6:1-18	Proverbs 1:8-19
2. Noach (Rest)			18-24 October 2020 (30 Tishrei-6 Cheshvan 5781)	
18 Oct	Genesis 6:9-22	Joshua 11:1-12:24	Matthew 6:19-34	Proverbs 1:20-33
19 Oct	Genesis 7:1-16	Joshua 13:1-14:15	Matthew 7:1-29	Psalm 6:1-10
20 Oct	Genesis 7:17-8:14	Joshua 15:1-63	Matthew 8:1-17	Psalm 7:1-17
21 Oct	Genesis 8:15-9:7	Joshua 16:1-18:10	Matthew 8:18-34	Psalm 8:1-9
22 Oct	Genesis 9:8-17	Joshua 18:11-19:23	Matthew 9:1-17	Psalm 9:1-20
23 Oct	Genesis 9:18-10:32	Joshua 19:24-20:9	Matthew 9:18-38	Psalm 10:1-18
24 Oct	Genesis 11:1-32	Isaiah 54:1-55:5	Matthew 10:1-23	Proverbs 2:1-9
3. Lech L'Cha (Get Yourself)			25-31 October 2020 (7-13 Cheshvan 5781)	
25 Oct	Genesis 12:1-13	Joshua 21:1-45	Matthew 10:24-42	Proverbs 2:10-22
26 Oct	Genesis 12:14-13:4	Joshua 22:1-23:16	Matthew 11:1-19	Psalm 11:1-7
27 Oct	Genesis 13:5-18	Joshua 24:1-33	Matthew 11:20-12:8	Psalm 12:1-8
28 Oct	Genesis 14:1-20	Judges 1:1-2:23	Matthew 12:9-37	Psalm 13:1-6
29 Oct	Genesis 14:21-15:6	Judges 3:31-4:24	Matthew 12:38-13:9	Psalm 14:1-7
30 Oct	Genesis 15:7-17:6	Judges 5:1-31	Matthew 13:10-35	Psalm 15:1-5
31 Oct	Genesis 17:7-27	Isaiah 40:27-41:16	Matthew 13:36-58	Proverbs 3:1-8
4. VaYera (And He Appeared)			1-7 November 2020 (14-20 Cheshvan 5781)	
01 Nov	Genesis 18:1-14	Judges 6:1-7:8	Matthew 14:1-21	Proverbs 3:9-12
02 Nov	Genesis 18:15-33	Judges 7:9-8:27	Matthew 14:22-36	Proverbs 3:13-18
03 Nov	Genesis 19:1-20	Judges 8:28-9:41	Matthew 15:1-20	Proverbs 3:19-26
04 Nov	Genesis 19:21-21:4	Judges 9:42-10:18	Matthew 15:21-39	Proverbs 3:27-35
05 Nov	Genesis 21:5-21	Judges 10:1-11:40	Matthew 16:1-20	Psalm 16:1-11
06 Nov	Genesis 21:22-34	Judges 12:1-13:25	Matthew 16:21-17:13	Psalm 17:1-15
07 Nov	Genesis 22:1-24	2 Kings 4:1-37	Matthew 17:14-27	Psalm 18:1-19
5. Chayei Sarah (Life of Sarah)			8-14 November 2020 (21-27 Cheshvan 5781)	
08 Nov	Genesis 23:1-16	Judges 14:1-15:20	Matthew 18:1-20	Psalm 18:20-31
09 Nov	Genesis 23:17-24:9	Judges 16:1-17:13	Matthew 18:21-35	Psalm 18:32-50
10 Nov	Genesis 24:10-26	Judges 18:1-31	Matthew 19:1-15	Psalm 19:1-14
11 Nov	Genesis 24:27-52	Judges 19:1-30	Matthew 19:16-30	Psalm 20:1-9
12 Nov	Genesis 24:53-67	Judges 20:1-48	Matthew 20:1-16	Proverbs 4:1-9
13 Nov	Genesis 25:1-11	Judges 21:1-25	Matthew 20:17-34	Proverbs 4:10-19
14 Nov	Genesis 25:12-18	1 Kings 1:1-31	Matthew 21:1-22	Proverbs 4:20-27
6. Toldot (Geneations)			15-21 November 2020 (28 Cheshvan-5 Kislev 5781)	
15 Nov	Genesis 25:19-26:5	1 Samuel 1:1-2:11	Matthew 21:23-46	Psalm 21:1-13
16 Nov	Genesis 26:6-12	1 Samuel 2:12-3:21	Matthew 22:1-22	Psalm 22:1-11
17 Nov	Genesis 26:13-22	1 Samuel 4:1-6:21	Matthew 22:23-46	Psalm 22:12-21
18 Nov	Genesis 26:23-29	1 Samuel 7:1-8:22	Matthew 23:1-22	Psalm 22:22-31
19 Nov	Genesis 26:30-27:27	1 Samuel 9:1-10:16	Matthew 23:23-39	Psalm 23:1-6
20 Nov	Genesis 27:28-28:4	1 Samuel 10:17-12:25	Matthew 24:1-24	Psalm 24:1-10
21 Nov	Genesis 28:5-9	Malachi 1:1-2:7	Matthew 24:25-51	Psalm 25:1-11

² Simchat Torah (Rejoicing in the Torah) is sundown October 10 to sundown October 11.

³ October 17 is a Shabbat Machar Chodesh, a Shabbat that occurs the day before the first day of a new month (Rosh Chodesh). The traditional reading is 1 Samuel 20:18-42.

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7. Vayetze (And He Went Out) 22-28 November 2020 (6-12 Kislev 5781)

22 Nov	Genesis 28:10-22	1 Samuel 13:1-14:23	Matthew 25:1-30	Psalms 25:12-22
23 Nov	Genesis 29:1-17	1 Samuel 14:24-15:11	Matthew 25:31-46	Proverbs 5:1-6
24 Nov	Genesis 29:18-30:13	1 Samuel 15:12-16:23	Matthew 26:1-25	Proverbs 5:7-14
25 Nov	Genesis 30:14-27	1 Samuel 17:1-58	Matthew 26:26-50	Proverbs 5:15-23
26 Nov	Genesis 30:28-31:16	1 Samuel 18:1-19:24	Matthew 26:51-75	Psalms 26:1-12
27 Nov	Genesis 31:17-42	1 Samuel 20:1-42	Matthew 27:1-23	Psalms 27:1-14
28 Nov	Genesis 31:43-32:2	Hosea 12:12-14:9	Matthew 27:24-44	Psalms 28:1-9

8. Vayishlach (And He Sent) 29 November-5 December 2020 (13-19 Kislev 5781)

29 Nov	Genesis 32:3-12	1 Samuel 21:1-22:23	Matthew 27:45-66	Psalms 29:1-11
30 Nov	Genesis 32:13-29	1 Samuel 23:1-24:22	Matthew 28:1-20	Psalms 30:1-12
01 Dec	Genesis 32:30-33:5	1 Samuel 25:1-43	Matthew 27:45-66	Proverbs 6:1-11
02 Dec	Genesis 33:6-20	1 Samuel 26:1-27:12	Matthew 28:1-20	Proverbs 6:12-19
03 Dec	Genesis 34:1-35:13	1 Samuel 28:1-29:11	Mark 1:1-22	Proverbs 6:20-26
04 Dec	Genesis 35:14-36:19	1 Samuel 30:1-31:13	Mark 1:23-45	Proverbs 6:27-35
05 Dec	Genesis 36:20-43	Obadiah 1:1-21	Mark 2:1-17	Psalms 31:1-14

9. Vayeshev (And He Settled) & Chanukah 6-12 December 2020 (20-26 Kislev 5781)⁴

06 Dec	Genesis 37:1-11	2 Samuel 1:1-2:17	Mark 2:18-3:12	Psalms 31:15-24
07 Dec	Genesis 37:12-22	2 Samuel 2:18-3:39	Mark 3:13-35	Psalms 32:1-11
08 Dec	Genesis 37:23-36	2 Samuel 4:1-5:25	Mark 4:1-20	Psalms 33:1-11
09 Dec	Genesis 38:1-30	2 Samuel 6:1-7:17	Mark 4:21-41	Psalms 33:12-22
10 Dec	Genesis 39:1-6	2 Samuel 7:18-9:13	Mark 5:1-20	Psalms 34:1-10
11 Dec	Genesis 39:7-23	2 Samuel 10:1-11:27	Mark 5:21-43	Psalms 34:11-22
12 Dec	Genesis 40:1-23	<i>Zechariah 2:10-4:7</i>	Mark 6:1-30	Psalms 35:1-10

10. Miketz (At the End of) & Chanukah 13-19 December 2020 (27 Kislev-4 Tevet 5781)

13 Dec	Genesis 41:1-14	2 Samuel 12:1-13:19	Mark 6:31-56	Psalms 35:11-28
14 Dec	Genesis 41:15-38	2 Samuel 13:20-14:33	Mark 7:1-23	Proverbs 7:1-5
15 Dec	Genesis 41:39-52	2 Samuel 15:1-16:14	Mark 7:24-37	Proverbs 7:6-27
16 Dec	Genesis 41:53-42:18	2 Samuel 16:15-17:29	Mark 8:1-21	Psalms 36:1-12
17 Dec	Genesis 42:19-43:15	2 Samuel 18:1-19:8	Mark 8:22-38	Psalms 37:1-20
18 Dec	Genesis 43:16-29	2 Samuel 19:9-43	Mark 9:1-13	Psalms 37:21-40
19 Dec	Genesis 43:30-44:17	1 Kings 3:15-4:1	Mark 9:14-29	Psalms 38:1-22

11. VaYiqash (And He Drew Near) 20-26 December 2020 (5-11 Tevet 5781)⁵

20 Dec	Genesis 44:18-30	2 Samuel 20:1-21:22	Mark 9:30-50	Psalms 39:1-13
21 Dec	Genesis 44:31-45:7	2 Samuel 22:1-51	Mark 10:1-16	Psalms 40:1-17
22 Dec	Genesis 45:8-18	2 Samuel 23:1-39	Mark 10:17-31	Proverbs 8:1-12
23 Dec	Genesis 45:19-27	2 Samuel 24:1-25	Mark 10:32-52	Proverbs 8:13-21
24 Dec	Genesis 45:28-46:27	1 Kings 1:1-53	Mark 11:1-26	Proverbs 8:22-31
25 Dec	Genesis 46:28-47:10	1 Kings 2:1-46	Mark 11:27-12:17	Proverbs 8:32-36
26 Dec	Genesis 47:11-27	Ezekiel 37:15-28	Mark 12:18-44	Psalms 41:1-13

⁴Chanukah is sundown December 10 to sundown December 18. Since Chanukah is the Feast of Dedication (or Rededication) of the Temple, the customary reading is Numbers 7:1-8:4 (read in portions over the eight days of the feast), which tells of Israel's offerings at the dedication of the Tabernacle. December 12, the Shabbat during Chanukah, has a special reading from Zechariah 2:10-4:7, the prophet's vision of the menorah in the heavenly Temple. Also, it is customary in synagogues to read Numbers 7:1-8:4 in portions over all eight days. This passage relates the dedication of the altar in the Tabernacle.

⁵Asara b'Tevet (Fast of the 10th Month) occurs during the daylight hours of December 25. This fast commemorates the beginning of the siege of Jerusalem by Nebuchadnezzar. The customary reading is Exodus 32:11-34:10.

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12. VaYechi (And He Lived) 27 December 2020-2 January 2021 (12-18 Tevet 5781)

27 Jan	Genesis 47:28-48:9	1 Kings 3:1-4:19	Mark 13:1-18	Proverbs 9:1-6
28 Jan	Genesis 48:10-16	1 Kings 4:20-5:18	Mark 13:19-37	Proverbs 9:7-12
29 Jan	Genesis 48:17-22	1 Kings 6:1-38	Mark 14:1-21	Proverbs 9:13-18
30 Jan	Genesis 49:1-18	1 Kings 7:1-51	Mark 14:22-42	Proverbs 10:1-8
31 Jan	Genesis 49:19-26	1 Kings 8:1-53	Mark 14:43-65	Proverbs 10:9-16
01 Jan	Genesis 49:27-50:20	1 Kings 8:54-9:28	Mark 14:66-15:15	Proverbs 10:17-24
02 Jan	Genesis 50:21-26	1 Kings 2:1-12	Mark 15:16-32	Proverbs 10:25-32

13. Shemot (Names) 3-9 January 2021 (19-25 Tevet 5781)

03 Jan	Exodus 1:1-17	1 Kings 10:1-11:25	Mark 15:33-47	Psalms 42:1-11
04 Jan	Exodus 1:18-2:10	1 Kings 11:26-12:25	Mark 16:1-20	Psalms 43:1-5
05 Jan	Exodus 2:11-25	1 Kings 12:26-13:34	Luke 1:1-20	Psalms 44:1-8
06 Jan	Exodus 3:1-15	1 Kings 15:1-15:8	Luke 1:21-38	Psalms 44:9-26
07 Jan	Exodus 3:16-4:17	1 Kings 15:9-16:14	Luke 1:39-56	Psalms 45:1-17
08 Jan	Exodus 4:18-31	1 Kings 16:15-17:24	Luke 1:57-80	Psalms 46:1-11
09 Jan	Exodus 5:1-6:1	Isaiah 27:6-28:13; 29:22-23	Luke 2:1-20	Psalms 47:1-9

14. Vaera (And I appeared) 10-16 January 2021 (26-3 Shevat 5781)

10 Jan	Exodus 6:2-13	1 Kings 18:1-46	Luke 2:21-35	Psalms 48:1-14
11 Jan	Exodus 6:14-28	1 Kings 19:1-20:22	Luke 2:36-52	Psalms 49:1-20
12 Jan	Exodus 6:29-7:7	1 Kings 20:23-21:29	Luke 3:1-20	Psalms 50:1-6
13 Jan	Exodus 7:8-8:6	1 Kings 22:1-53	Luke 3:21-38	Psalms 50:7-23
14 Jan	Exodus 8:7-18	2 Kings 1:1-2:25	Luke 4:1-21	Proverbs 11:1-8
15 Jan	Exodus 8:19-9:16	2 Kings 3:1-4:17	Luke 4:22-44	Proverbs 11:9-16
16 Jan	Exodus 9:17-35	Ezekiel 28:25-29:21	Luke 5:1-16	Proverbs 11:17-24

15. Bo (Go) 17-23 January 2021 (4-10 Shevat 5781)

17 Jan	Exodus 10:1-11	2 Kings 4:18-5:19	Luke 5:17-39	Proverbs 11:25-31
18 Jan	Exodus 10:12-23	2 Kings 5:20-7:2	Luke 6:1-23	Psalms 51:1-19
19 Jan	Exodus 10:24-11:3	2 Kings 7:3-8:29	Luke 6:24-49	Psalms 52:1-9
20 Jan	Exodus 11:4-12:20	2 Kings 9:1-37	Luke 7:1-23	Psalms 53:1-6
21 Jan	Exodus 12:21-28	2 Kings 10:1-36	Luke 7:24-50	Psalms 54:1-7
22 Jan	Exodus 12:29-51	2 Kings 11:1-12:21	Luke 8:1-21	Psalms 55:1-8
23 Jan	Exodus 13:1-16	Jeremiah 46:13-28	Luke 8:22-39	Psalms 55:9-17

16. Beshalach (When He Let Go) 24-30 January 2021 (11-17 Shevat 5781)

24 Jan	Exodus 13:17-14:8	2 Kings 13:1-14:22	Luke 8:40-9:6	Psalms 55:18-23
25 Jan	Exodus 14:9-14	2 Kings 14:23-15:38	Luke 9:7-27	Proverbs 12:1-7
26 Jan	Exodus 14:15-25	2 Kings 16:1-17:23	Luke 9:28-50	Proverbs 12:8-14
27 Jan	Exodus 14:26-15:26	2 Kings 17:24-18:12	Luke 9:51-10:16	Proverbs 12:15-21
28 Jan	Exodus 15:27-16:10	2 Kings 18:13-19:19	Luke 10:17-37	Proverbs 12:22-28
29 Jan	Exodus 16:11-36	2 Kings 19:20-20:21	Luke 10:38-11:13	Psalms 56:1-13
30 Jan	Exodus 17:1-16	Judges 4:4-5:31	Luke 11:14-36	Psalms 57:1-11

17. Yitro (Jethro) 31 January-6 February 2021 (18-24 Shevat 5781)

31 Jan	Exodus 18:1-12	2 Kings 21:1-22:20	Luke 11:37-54	Psalms 58:1-11
01 Feb	Exodus 18:13-23	2 Kings 23:1-24:7	Luke 12:1-21	Psalms 59:1-17
02 Feb	Exodus 18:24-27	2 Kings 24:8-25:30	Luke 12:22-40	Psalms 60:1-12
03 Feb	Exodus 19:1-6	1 Chronicles 1:1-54	Luke 12:41-59	Proverbs 13:1-6
04 Feb	Exodus 19:7-19	1 Chronicles 2:1-55	Luke 13:1-21	Proverbs 13:7-12
05 Feb	Exodus 19:20-20:17	1 Chronicles 3:1-4:23	Luke 13:22-14:6	Proverbs 13:13-18
06 Feb	Exodus 20:18-26	Isaiah 6:1-7:6; 9:6-7	Luke 14:7-35	Proverbs 13:19-25

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18. Mishpatim (Ordinances) 7-13 February 2021 (25 Shevat-1 Adar 5781)⁶

07 Feb	Exodus 21:1-19	1 Chronicles 4:24-5:26	Luke 15:1-24	Psalms 61:1-8
08 Feb	Exodus 21:20-22:4	1 Chronicles 6:1-48	Luke 15:25-16:9	Psalms 62:1-12
09 Feb	Exodus 22:5-27	1 Chronicles 6:49-81	Luke 16:10-31	Psalms 63:1-11
10 Feb	Exodus 22:28-23:5	1 Chronicles 7:1-40	Luke 17:1-19	Psalms 64:1-10
11 Feb	Exodus 23:6-19	1 Chronicles 8:1-40	Luke 17:20-37	Psalms 65:1-13
12 Feb	Exodus 23:20-25	1 Chronicles 9:1-10:14	Luke 18:1-17	Proverbs 14:1-5
13 Feb	Exodus 23:26-24:18 <i>Numbers 28:9-15</i>	2 Kings 12:1-17; <i>Exodus 30:11-16</i>	Luke 18:18-34	Proverbs 14:6-10

19. Terumah (Offerings) 14-20 February 2021 (2-8 Adar 5781)⁷

14 Feb	Exodus 25:1-16	1 Chronicles 11:1-47	Luke 18:35-19:10	Proverbs 14:11-15
15 Feb	Exodus 25:17-30	1 Chronicles 12:1-13:14	Luke 19:11-28	Proverbs 14:16-20
16 Feb	Exodus 25:31-26:14	1 Chronicles 14:1-15:29	Luke 19:29-48	Proverbs 14:21-25
17 Feb	Exodus 26:15-30	1 Chronicles 16:1-43	Luke 20:1-18	Proverbs 14:26-30
18 Feb	Exodus 26:31-37	1 Chronicles 17:1-18:17	Luke 20:19-40	Proverbs 14:31-35
19 Feb	Exodus 27:1-8	1 Chronicles 19:1-21:30	Luke 20:41-21:9	Psalms 66:1-20
20 Feb	Exodus 27:9-19 <i>Deuteronomy 25:17-19</i>	1 Kings 5:12-6:13 <i>1 Samuel 15:2-34</i>	Luke 21:10-28	Psalms 67:1-7

20. Tetzaveh (You Shall Command) & Purim 21-27 February 2021 (9-15 Adar 5781)⁸

21 Feb	Exodus 27:20-28:12	1 Chronicles 22:1-23:32	Luke 21:29-22:13	Psalms 68:1-7
22 Feb	Exodus 28:13-30	1 Chronicles 24:1-31	Luke 22:14-34	Psalms 68:8-19
23 Feb	Exodus 28:31-43	1 Chronicles 25:1-31	Luke 22:35-53	Psalms 68:20-35
24 Feb	Exodus 29:1-18	1 Chronicles 26:1-27:15	Luke 22:54-71	Psalms 69:1-18
25 Feb	Exodus 29:19-37	1 Chronicles 27:16-28:21	Luke 23:1-25	Psalms 69:19-36
26 Feb	Exodus 29:38-46	1 Chronicles 29:1-30	Luke 23:26-49	Psalms 70:1-5
27 Feb	Exodus 30:1-10	<i>Esther 1:1-10:3</i> <i>Ezekiel 43:10-27</i>	Luke 23:50-24:12	Proverbs 15:1-7

21. Ki Tisa (When You Elevate) 28 February-6 March 2021 (16-21 Adar 5781)⁹

28 Feb	Exodus 30:11-31:17	2 Chronicles 1:1-3:17	Luke 24:13-35	Proverbs 15:8-14
01 Mar	Exodus 31:18-33:11	2 Chronicles 4:1-6:11	Luke 24:36-53	Proverbs 15:15-21
02 Mar	Exodus 33:12-16	2 Chronicles 6:12-7:22	John 1:1-28	Proverbs 15:22-28
03 Mar	Exodus 33:17-23	2 Chronicles 8:1-9:31	John 1:29-51	Proverbs 15:29-33
04 Mar	Exodus 34:1-9	2 Chronicles 10:1-11:23	John 2:1-25	Psalms 71:1-16
05 Mar	Exodus 34:10-26	2 Chronicles 12:1-14:15	John 3:1-21	Psalms 71:17-24
06 Mar	Exodus 34:27-35 <i>Numbers 19:1-22</i>	<i>Ezekiel 36:16-38</i>	John 3:22-36	Psalms 72:1-20

⁶ The Shabbat before the first of Adar is Shabbat Shekalim (Sabbath of Shekels) in remembrance of the commandment for all male Hebrews to contribute half a shekel for maintenance of the Tabernacle. The custom is to read from Exodus 30 and 2 Kings 12, which tell of the commandment and its application in the First Temple period. Shabbat Shekalim is observed in preparation for Purim. This is in addition to the customary Rosh Chodesh (New Moon) reading of Numbers 28:9-15.

⁷ The Shabbat preceding Purim is called Shabbat Zachor, the Sabbath of Remembrance. Haman, the villain in the Purim story, was a descendant of Amalek. Since the Torah includes a command to remember what Amalek did to Israel, it is customary to read the applicable passages from Deuteronomy 25 and 1 Samuel 15.

⁸ Purim is sundown February 26 to sundown February 27. It is customary to read the book of Esther on Purim. The Ta'anit Esther (Fast of Esther), also associated with Purim, is a dawn-to-dusk fast observed the previous day (February 25).

⁹ March 6 is Shabbat Parah, the Sabbath of the Red Heifer, which is observed on the Shabbat before Shabbat HaChodesh. As a reminder to begin preparations for Pesach, the traditional reading is Numbers 19:1-22, which explains the purpose of the red heifer in purification of the nation, and Ezekiel 36:16-38, which is a prophecy of Israel's purification and restoration in the latter days.

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22/23. Vayakhel (And He Assembled); Pekudei (Accounts) 7-13 March 2021 (22-29 Adar 5781)¹⁰

07 Mar	Exodus 35:1-29	2 Chronicles 15:1-17:19	John 4:1-26	Proverbs 16:1-7
08 Mar	Exodus 35:30-37:16	2 Chronicles 18:1-19:11	John 5:1-23	Proverbs 16:8-14
09 Mar	Exodus 37:17-29	2 Chronicles 20:1-37	John 5:24-47	Proverbs 16:15-21
10 Mar	Exodus 38:1-39:1	2 Chronicles 21:1-24:27	John 6:1-21	Proverbs 16:22-28
11 Mar	Exodus 39:2-21	2 Chronicles 25:1-26:23	John 6:22-51	Proverbs 16:29-33
12 Mar	Exodus 39:22-43	2 Chronicles 27:1-28:27	John 6:52-71	Proverbs 17:1-7
13 Mar	Exodus 40:1-38 <i>Numbers 28:9-15</i>	<i>Exodus 12:1-20;</i> <i>Ezekiel 45:16-46:18</i>	John 7:1-24	Proverbs 17:8-14

24. Vayikra (He called) 14-20 March 2021 (1-7 Nisan 5781)

14 Mar	Leviticus 1:1-13	2 Chronicles 29:1-30:27	John 7:25-53	Psalms 73:1-19
15 Mar	Leviticus 1:14-2:6	2 Chronicles 31:1-32:33	John 8:1-20	Psalms 73:20-28
16 Mar	Leviticus 2:7-16	2 Chronicles 33:1-34:33	John 8:21-38	Proverbs 17:15-21
17 Mar	Leviticus 3:1-17	2 Chronicles 35:1-36:23	John 9:1-23	Proverbs 17:22-28
18 Mar	Leviticus 4:1-26	Ezra 1:1-2:39	John 9:24-41	Psalms 74:1-23
19 Mar	Leviticus 4:27-5:10	Ezra 2:40-3:13	John 10:1-21	Psalms 75:1-10
20 Mar	Leviticus 5:11-6:7	Isaiah 43:21-44:23	John 10:22-42	Proverbs 18:1-6

25. Tzav (Command) 21-27 March 2021 (8-14 Nisan 5781)¹¹

21 Mar	Leviticus 6:8-18	Ezra 4:1-5:17	John 11:1-16	Proverbs 18:7-12
22 Mar	Leviticus 6:19-7:10	Ezra 6:1-7:28	John 11:17-37	Proverbs 18:13-18
23 Mar	Leviticus 7:11-38	Ezra 8:1-9:15	John 11:38-57	Proverbs 18:19-24
24 Mar	Leviticus 8:1-13	Ezra 10:1-44	John 12:1-19	Psalms 76:1-12
25 Mar	Leviticus 8:14-21	Nehemiah 1:1-3:15	John 12:20-36	Psalms 77:1-20
26 Mar	Leviticus 8:22-29	Nehemiah 3:16-4:23	John 12:37-13:11	Proverbs 19:1-7
27 Mar	Leviticus 8:30-36	<i>Malachi 3:4-4:6</i>	John 13:12-30	Proverbs 19:8-14

Pesach (Passover) & Matzot (Unleavened Bread) 28 March-3 April 2021 (15-21 Nisan 5781)¹²

28 Mar	<i>Exodus 12:21-51</i>	<i>Joshua 5:2-61</i>	John 13:31-14:7	Proverbs 19:15-21
29 Mar	<i>Leviticus 22:26-23:44</i>	<i>2 Kings 23:1-9, 23-25</i>	John 14:8-31	Proverbs 19:22-29
30 Mar	<i>Exodus 13:1-16</i>	<i>Numbers 28:16-25</i>	John 15:1-17	Psalms 78:1-15
31 Mar	<i>Exodus 22:24-23:19</i>	Nehemiah 5:1-6:19	John 15:18-16:11	Psalms 78:16-33
01 Apr	<i>Exodus 13:17-22</i>	Nehemiah 7:1-42	John 16:12-33	Psalms 78:34-53
02 Apr	<i>Exodus 14:1-25</i>	Nehemiah 7:43-8:18	John 17:1-26	Psalms 78:54-72
03 Apr	<i>Exodus 14:26-15:26</i>	<i>2 Samuel 22:1-51</i>	John 18:1-19	Proverbs 20:1-7

26. Matzot (Unleavened Bread) & Shmini (Eighth) 4-10 April 2021 (22-28 Nisan 5781)

04 Apr	<i>Deuteronomy 15:19-16:17</i>	<i>Isaiah 10:32-12:6</i>	John 18:20-40	Proverbs 20:8-14
05 Apr	Leviticus 9:1-23	Nehemiah 9:1-38	John 19:1-22	Proverbs 20:15-22
06 Apr	Leviticus 9:24-10:11	Nehemiah 10:1-39	John 19:23-42	Proverbs 20:23-30
07 Apr	Leviticus 10:12-15	Nehemiah 11:1-12:26	John 20:1-18	Psalms 79:1-13
08 Apr	Leviticus 10:16-20	Nehemiah 12:27-13:31	John 20:19-21:8	Psalms 80:1-19
09 Apr	Leviticus 11:1-32	Job 1:1-3:26	John 21:9-25	Proverbs 21:1-10
10 Apr	Leviticus 11:33-47	2 Samuel 6:1-7:17	Acts 1:1-26	Proverbs 21:11-20

¹⁰ March 13 is Shabbat HaChodesh (Sabbath of the Month), the Shabbat before the first day of Nisan. Since Nisan is the first month on the Hebrew calendar and the month of Pesach, the special Shabbat HaChodesh Torah reading is Exodus 12:1-20, which explains the commandments regarding Passover. This is in addition to the customary Rosh Chodesh (New Moon) reading of Numbers 28:9-15. The Shabbat HaChodesh Haftarah is Ezekiel 45:16-46:18, which specifies the offerings to happen in the Millennial Temple during Messiah's reign.

¹¹ March 27 is Shabbat HaGadol, the Great Sabbath. This is the Shabbat immediately before Pesach. The special preparatory reading is from Malachi.

¹² Pesach (Passover) is sundown, March 27 to sundown, April 4. Matzot (Unleavened Bread) begins at sundown on March 28, continuing through sundown on April 4. Yom Habikkurim (First Fruits) is April 3-4 (sundown to sundown.)

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27/28. Tazria (Leprosy); Metzora (The Leper) 11-17 April 2021 (29 Nisan-5 Iyar 5781)

11 Apr	Leviticus 12:1-13:23	Job 4:1-5:27	Acts 2:1-21	Proverbs 21:21-31
12 Apr	Leviticus 13:24-39	Job 6:1-7:21	Acts 2:22-42	Psalm 81:1-16
13 Apr	Leviticus 13:40-54	Job 8:1-9:35	Acts 2:43-3:10	Psalm 82:1-8
14 Apr	Leviticus 13:55-14:20	Job 10:1-11:20	Acts 3:11-26	Proverbs 22:1-6
15 Apr	Leviticus 14:21-32	Job 12:1-13:28	Acts 4:1-22	Proverbs 22:7-11
16 Apr	Leviticus 14:33-15:15	Job 14:1-15:35	Acts 4:23-37	Proverbs 22:12-16
17 Apr	Leviticus 15:16-33	2 Kings 7:3-20	Acts 5:1-20	Proverbs 22:17-23

29/30. Achrei Mot (After the Death); Kedoshim (Holy Ones) 18-24 April 2021 (6-13 Iyar 5781)

18 Apr	Leviticus 16:1-24	Job 16:1-18:21	Acts 5:21-42	Proverbs 22:24-29
19 Apr	Leviticus 16:25-17:7	Job 19:1-20:29	Acts 6:1-15	Psalm 83:1-18
20 Apr	Leviticus 17:8-18:21	Job 21:1-22:30	Acts 7:1-19	Psalm 84:1-12
21 Apr	Leviticus 18:22-19:14	Job 23:1-24:25	Acts 7:20-43	Psalm 85:1-13
22 Apr	Leviticus 19:15-32	Job 25:1-27:23	Acts 7:44-8:3	Psalm 86:1-17
23 Apr	Leviticus 19:33-20:7	Job 28:1-29:25	Acts 8:4-25	Proverbs 23:1-11
24 Apr	Leviticus 20:8-27	Amos 9:7-15	Acts 8:26-40	Proverbs 23:12-18

31. Emor (Say) 25 April – 1 May 2021 (14-20 Iyar 5781)

25 Apr	Leviticus 21:1-15	Job 30:1-31:23	Acts 9:1-22	Proverbs 23:19-25
26 Apr	Leviticus 21:16-22:16	Job 31:24-32:22	Acts 9:23-43	Proverbs 23:26-30
27 Apr	Leviticus 22:17-33	Job 33:1-34:22	Acts 10:1-16	Proverbs 23:31-35
28 Apr	Leviticus 23:1-22	Job 34:23-36:19	Acts 10:17-33	Psalm 87:1-7
29 Apr	Leviticus 23:23-32	Job 36:20-37:24	Acts 10:34-48	Psalm 88:1-18
30 Apr	Leviticus 23:33-44	Job 38:1-41	Acts 11:1-18	Psalm 89:1-14
01 May	Leviticus 24:1-23	Ezekiel 44:15-31	Acts 11:19-12:5	Psalm 89:15-37

32/33. Behar (On the Mount); Bechukotai (In My Statutes) 2-8 May 2021 (21-28 Iyar 5781)

02 May	Leviticus 25:1-18	Job 39:1-40:24	Acts 12:6-25	Psalm 89:38-52
03 May	Leviticus 25:19-28	Job 41:1-42:17	Acts 13:1-25	Proverbs 24:1-6
04 May	Leviticus 25:29-38	Isaiah 1:1-2:22	Acts 13:26-52	Proverbs 24:7-12
05 May	Leviticus 25:39-26:9	Isaiah 3:1-5:30	Acts 14:1-28	Proverbs 24:13-18
06 May	Leviticus 26:10-46	Isaiah 6:1-7:25	Acts 15:1-21	Proverbs 24:19-23
07 May	Leviticus 27:1-15	Isaiah 8:1-9:21	Acts 15:22-41	Proverbs 24:24-28
08 May	Leviticus 27:16-34	Jeremiah 16:19-17:14	Acts 16:1-34	Proverbs 24:29-34

34. Bamidbar (In the Wilderness) 9-15 May 2021 (29 Iyar-4 Sivan 5781)

09 May	Numbers 1:1-19	Isaiah 10:1-11:16	Acts 16:35-17:15	Psalm 90:1-17
10 May	Numbers 1:20-54	Isaiah 12:1-14:32	Acts 17:16-34	Psalm 91:1-16
11 May	Numbers 2:1-34	Isaiah 15:1-18:7	Acts 18:1-28	Proverbs 25:1-5
12 May	Numbers 3:1-13	Isaiah 19:1-21:17	Acts 19:1-27	Proverbs 25:6-11
13 May	Numbers 3:14-39	Isaiah 22:1-23:18	Acts 19:28-20:16	Proverbs 25:12-17
14 May	Numbers 3:40-51	Isaiah 24:1-26:21	Acts 20:17-38	Proverbs 25:18-22
15 May	Numbers 4:1-20	Hosea 2:1-22	Acts 21:1-19	Proverbs 25:23-28

Shavuot (Pentecost) & Nasso (Elevate) 16-22 May 2021 (5-11 Sivan 5781)¹³

16 May	<i>Exodus 19:1-20:23</i>	<i>Ezekiel 1:1-28; 3:12;</i>	Acts 21:20-40	Psalm 92:1-15
	<i>Deuteronomy 15:19-16:17</i>	<i>Habakkuk 2:20-3:19;</i>		
	<i>Numbers 28:26-31</i>	<i>Ruth 1:1-4:22</i>		
17 May	Numbers 4:21-49	Isaiah 27:1-28:29	Acts 22:1-30	Psalm 93:1-5
18 May	Numbers 5:1-10	Isaiah 29:1-30:33	Acts 23:1-35	Proverbs 26:1-6
19 May	Numbers 5:11-6:27	Isaiah 31:1-33:24	Acts 24:1-27	Proverbs 26:7-12
20 May	Numbers 7:1-41	Isaiah 34:1-36:22	Acts 25:1-27	Proverbs 26:13-17
21 May	Numbers 7:42-71	Isaiah 37:1-38:22	Acts 26:1-23	Proverbs 26:18-23
22 May	Numbers 7:72-89	Judges 13:2-25	Acts 26:24-27:8	Proverbs 26:24-28

¹³ Shavuot (Pentecost) begins at sundown May 16, continuing through sundown May 17. It is traditional to study the book of Ruth on Shavuot.

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36. Beha'alotcha (In Your Going Up)			16-29 May 2021 (12-18 Sivan 5781)	
23 May	Numbers 8:1-14	Isaiah 39:1-40:31	Acts 27:9-26	Psalms 94:1-23
24 May	Numbers 8:15-26	Isaiah 41:1-42:25	Acts 27:27-44	Psalms 95:1-11
25 May	Numbers 9:1-14	Isaiah 43:1-44:28	Acts 28:1-31	Proverbs 27:1-7
26 May	Numbers 9:15-10:10	Isaiah 45:1-47:15	Romans 1:1-32	Proverbs 27:8-14
27 May	Numbers 10:11-34	Isaiah 48:1-49:26	Romans 2:1-29	Proverbs 27:15-21
28 May	Numbers 10:35-11:29	Isaiah 50:1-52:15	Romans 3:1-31	Proverbs 27:22-27
29 May	Numbers 11:30-12:16	Zechariah 2:10-4:7	Romans 4:1-25	Psalms 96:1-13
37. Sh'lach L'cha (Send For Yourself)			30 May-5 June 2021 (19-25 Sivan 5781)	
30 May	Numbers 13:1-20	Isaiah 53:1-56:12	Romans 5:1-21	Psalms 97:1-12
31 May	Numbers 13:21-14:7	Isaiah 57:1-59:21	Romans 6:1-23	Proverbs 28:1-6
01 Jun	Numbers 14:8-25	Isaiah 60:1-62:12	Romans 7:1-25	Proverbs 28:7-12
02 Jun	Numbers 14:26-15:7	Isaiah 63:1-65:16	Romans 8:1-17	Proverbs 28:13-18
03 Jun	Numbers 15:8-16	Isaiah 65:27-66:24	Romans 8:18-39	Proverbs 28:19-23
04 Jun	Numbers 15:17-26	Jeremiah 1:1-2:37	Romans 9:1-33	Proverbs 28:24-28
05 Jun	Numbers 15:27-41	Joshua 2:1-24	Romans 10:1-21	Psalms 98:1-9
38. Korach (Korah)			6-12 June 2021 (26 Sivan-2 Tammuz 5781)	
06 Jun	Numbers 16:1-13	Jeremiah 3:1-4:31	Romans 11:1-36	Psalms 99:1-9
07 Jun	Numbers 16:14-19	Jeremiah 5:1-6:30	Romans 12:1-13:6	Proverbs 29:1-7
08 Jun	Numbers 16:20-43	Jeremiah 7:1-8:22	Romans 13:7-14:23	Proverbs 29:8-14
09 Jun	Numbers 16:44-50	Jeremiah 9:1-10:25	Romans 15:1-33	Proverbs 29:15-21
10 Jun	Numbers 17:1-9	Jeremiah 11:1-12:17	Romans 16:1-27	Proverbs 29:22-27
11 Jun	Numbers 17:10-18:20	Jeremiah 13:1-14:22	1 Corinthians 1:1-31	Psalms 100:1-5
12 Jun	Numbers 18:21-32	1 Samuel 11:14-12:22	1 Corinthians 2:1-3:15	Psalms 101:1-8
39. Chukat (Ordinance Of)			13-19 June 2021 (3-9 Tammuz 5781)	
13 Jun	Numbers 19:1-17	Jeremiah 15:1-16:21	1 Corinthians 3:16-4:21	Proverbs 30:1-9
14 Jun	Numbers 19:18-20:6	Jeremiah 17:1-18:23	1 Corinthians 5:1-6:20	Proverbs 30:10-17
15 Jun	Numbers 20:7-13	Jeremiah 19:1-21:14	1 Corinthians 7:1-33	Proverbs 30:18-23
15 Jun	Numbers 20:14-21	Jeremiah 22:1-23:8	1 Corinthians 7:34-8:13	Proverbs 30:24-33
17 Jun	Numbers 20:22-21:9	Jeremiah 23:9-24:10	1 Corinthians 9:1-27	Psalms 102:1-15
18 Jun	Numbers 21:10-20	Jeremiah 25:1-38	1 Corinthians 10:1-33	Psalms 102:16-28
19 Jun	Numbers 21:21-22:1	Judges 11:1-33	1 Corinthians 11:1-34	Psalms 103:1-22
40. Balak			20-26 June 2021 (10-16 Tammuz 5781)	
20 Jun	Numbers 22:2-12	Jeremiah 26:1-27:22	1 Corinthians 12:1-31	Ecclesiastes 1:1-18
21 Jun	Numbers 22:13-20	Jeremiah 28:1-29:32	1 Corinthians 13:1-14:19	Ecclesiastes 2:1-13
22 Jun	Numbers 22:21-38	Jeremiah 30:1-31:26	1 Corinthians 14:20-40	Ecclesiastes 2:14-26
23 Jun	Numbers 22:39-23:12	Jeremiah 31:27-32:44	1 Corinthians 15:1-19	Ecclesiastes 3:1-15
24 Jun	Numbers 23:13-26	Jeremiah 33:1-34:22	1 Corinthians 15:20-38	Ecclesiastes 3:16-22
25 Jun	Numbers 23:27-24:13	Jeremiah 35:1-36:32	1 Corinthians 15:39-58	Psalms 104:1-19
26 Jun	Numbers 24:14-25:9	Micah 5:7-6:8	1 Corinthians 16:1-24	Psalms 104:20-35
41. Pinchas (Phinehas)			27 June-3 July 2021 (17-23 Tammuz 5781) ¹⁴	
27 Jun	Numbers 25:10-26:4	<i>Exodus 32:11-34:10</i>	2 Corinthians 1:1-24	Ecclesiastes 4:1-16
28 Jun	Numbers 26:5-51	Jeremiah 37:1-38:28	2 Corinthians 2:1-3:18	Ecclesiastes 5:1-20
29 Jun	Numbers 26:52-27:5	Jeremiah 39:1-41:10	2 Corinthians 4:1-18	Ecclesiastes 6:1-12
30 Jun	Numbers 27:6-23	Jeremiah 41:11-43:13	2 Corinthians 5:1-21	Psalms 105:1-22
01 Jul	Numbers 28:1-15	Jeremiah 44:1-45:5	2 Corinthians 6:1-7:16	Psalms 105:23-45
02 Jul	Numbers 28:16-29:11	Jeremiah 46:1-47:7	2 Corinthians 8:1-24	Ecclesiastes 7:1-15
03 Jul	Numbers 29:12-40	Jeremiah 48:1-47	2 Corinthians 9:1-10:18	Ecclesiastes 7:16-29

¹⁴ Tzom Tammuz, the Fast of Tammuz, is June 27. This fast of the fourth month commemorates the breach of Jerusalem's walls before the destruction of the Second Temple. The customary reading from Exodus 32:11-34:10 is the account of the Golden Calf incident and its aftermath.

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42/43. Mattot (Tribes); Massei (Stages) 4-10 July 2021 (24 Tammuz-1 Av 5781)¹⁵

04 Jul	Numbers 30:1-31:12	Jeremiah 49:1-39	2 Corinthians 11:1-33	Ecclesiastes 8:1-17
05 Jul	Numbers 31:13-54	Jeremiah 1:1-2:3	2 Corinthians 12:1-13:14	Ecclesiastes 9:1-18
06 Jul	Numbers 32:1-19	Jeremiah 50:1-46	Galatians 1:1-24	Psalms 106:1-23
07 Jul	Numbers 32:20-33:49	Jeremiah 51:1-49	Galatians 2:1-21	Psalms 106:24-48
08 Jul	Numbers 33:50-34:15	Jeremiah 51:50-52:34	Galatians 3:1-29	Ecclesiastes 10:1-20
09 Jul	Numbers 34:16-35:8	Ezekiel 1:1-2:10	Galatians 4:1-31	Ecclesiastes 11:1-10
10 Jul	Numbers 35:9-36:13 <i>Numbers 28:9-15</i>	<i>Isaiah 66:1-24</i>	Galatians 5:1-26	Ecclesiastes 12:1-14

44. D'varim (Words) 11-17 July 2021 (2-8 Av 5781)

11 Jul	Deuteronomy 1:1-11	Ezekiel 3:1-4:17	Galatians 6:1-18	Psalms 107:1-14
12 Jul	Deuteronomy 1:12-21	Ezekiel 5:1-7:27	Ephesians 1:1-23	Psalms 107:15-28
13 Jul	Deuteronomy 1:22-38	Ezekiel 8:1-10:22	Ephesians 2:1-22	Psalms 107:29-43
14 Jul	Deuteronomy 1:39 – 2:1	Ezekiel 11:1-12:28	Ephesians 3:1-21	Psalms 108:1-13
15 Jul	Deuteronomy 2:2-30	Ezekiel 13:1-14:23	Ephesians 4:1-32	Psalms 109:1-20
16 Jul	Deuteronomy 2:31-3:14	Ezekiel 15:1-16:34	Ephesians 5:1-33	Psalms 109:21-31
17 Jul	Deuteronomy 3:15-22	Isaiah 1:1-27	Ephesians 6:1-24	Psalms 110:1-7

45. Va'etchanan (And I Pleaded) 18-24 July 2021 (9-15 Av 5781)¹⁶

18 Jul	Deuteronomy 3:23-4:4	<i>Lamentations 1:1-5:22</i>	Philippians 1:1-30	Psalms 111:1-10
19 Jul	Deuteronomy 4:5-40	Ezekiel 16:35-17:24	Philippians 2:1-30	Psalms 112:1-10
20 Jul	Deuteronomy 4:41-49	Ezekiel 18:1-19:14	Philippians 3:1-21	Psalms 113:1-9
21 Jul	Deuteronomy 5:1-21	Ezekiel 20:1-49	Philippians 4:1-23	Psalms 114:1-8
22 Jul	Deuteronomy 5:22-6:3	Ezekiel 21:1-32	Colossians 1:1-29	Psalms 115:1-18
23 Jul	Deuteronomy 6:4-25	Ezekiel 22:1-31	Colossians 2:1-23	Psalms 116:1-19
24 Jul	Deuteronomy 7:1-11	Isaiah 40:1-26	Colossians 3:1-25	Psalms 117:1-2

46. Eikev (On the Heel Of) 25-31 July 2021 (16-22 Av 5781)

25 Jul	Deuteronomy 7:12-8:10	Ezekiel 23:1-49	Colossians 4:1-18	Psalms 118:1-13
26 Jul	Deuteronomy 8:11-9:3	Ezekiel 24:1-25:17	1 Thessalonians 1:1-2:20	Psalms 118:14-29
27 Jul	Deuteronomy 9:4-29	Ezekiel 26:1-27:36	1 Thessalonians 3:1-4:18	Psalms 119:1-8
28 Jul	Deuteronomy 10:1-11	Ezekiel 28:1-29:21	1 Thessalonians 5:1-28	Psalms 119:9-16
29 Jul	Deuteronomy 10:12-11:9	Ezekiel 30:1-31:18	2 Thessalonians 1:1-2:12	Psalms 119:17-24
30 Jul	Deuteronomy 11:10-21	Ezekiel 32:1-33:20	2 Thessalonians 2:13-3:18	Psalms 119:25-32
31 Jul	Deuteronomy 11:22-25	Ezekiel 33:21-34:31	1 Timothy 1:1-2:15	Psalms 119:33-40

47. Re'eh (See) 1-7 August 2021 (23-29 Av 5781)¹⁷

01 Aug	Deuteronomy 11:26-12:10	Ezekiel 35:1-36:21	1 Timothy 3:1-4:16	Psalms 119:41-48
02 Aug	Deuteronomy 12:11-28	Isaiah 49:14-51:3	1 Timothy 5:1-25	Psalms 119:49-56
03 Aug	Deuteronomy 12:29-13:18	Ezekiel 36:22-37:28	1 Timothy 6:1-21	Psalms 119:57-64
04 Aug	Deuteronomy 14:1-21	Ezekiel 38:1-39:29	2 Timothy 1:1-18	Psalms 119:65-72
05 Aug	Deuteronomy 14:22-29	Ezekiel 40:1-49	2 Timothy 2:1-26	Psalms 119:73-80
06 Aug	Deuteronomy 15:1-18	Ezekiel 41:1-42:20	2 Timothy 3:1-17	Psalms 119:81-88
07 Aug	Deuteronomy 15:19-16:17	<i>1 Samuel 20:18-42</i>	2 Timothy 4:1-22	Psalms 119:89-96

¹⁵ A Shabbat that falls on the first day of a month, such as July 10, is a Shabbat Rosh Chodesh. The customary reading is Isaiah 66.

¹⁶ Tisha B'Av (9th of Av), the fast commemorating destruction of the two Temples, is sundown July 17 to sundown July 18. It is traditional to read the book of Lamentations on this day.

¹⁷ August 7 is a Shabbat Machar Chodesh, a Shabbat that occurs the day before the first day of a new month (Rosh Chodesh). The traditional reading is 1 Samuel 20:18-42.

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48. Shoftim (Judges) 8-14 August 2021 (30 Av-6 Elul 5781)

08 Aug	Deuteronomy 16:18-17:13	Ezekiel 43:1-44:31	Titus 1:1-2:8	Psalms 119:97-104
09 Aug	Deuteronomy 17:14-20	Ezekiel 45:1-46:24	Titus 2:9-3:15	Psalms 119:105-112
10 Aug	Deuteronomy 18:1-5	Ezekiel 47:1-48:35	Philemon 1:1-25	Psalms 119:113-120
11 Aug	Deuteronomy 18:6-13	Daniel 1:1-21	Hebrews 1:1-2:18	Psalms 119:121-128
12 Aug	Deuteronomy 18:14:19:13	Daniel 2:1-49	Hebrews 3:1-19	Psalms 119:129-136
13 Aug	Deuteronomy 19:14-20:9	Daniel 3:1-30	Hebrews 4:1-5:14	Psalms 119:137-144
14 Aug	Deuteronomy 20:10-21:9	Isaiah 51:12-53:12	Hebrews 6:1-20	Psalms 119:145-152

49. Ki Tetze (When You Go Out) 15-21 August 2021 (7-13 Elul 5781)

15 Aug	Deuteronomy 21:10-21	Daniel 4:1-37	Hebrews 7:1-8:6	Psalms 119:153-160
16 Aug	Deuteronomy 21:22-22:7	Daniel 5:1-31	Hebrews 8:7-9:22	Psalms 119:161-168
17 Aug	Deuteronomy 22:8-23:6	Daniel 6:1-28	Hebrews 9:23-10:18	Psalms 119:169-176
18 Aug	Deuteronomy 23:7-23	Daniel 7:1-28	Hebrews 10:19-39	Psalms 120:1-7
19 Aug	Deuteronomy 23:24-24:4	Daniel 8:1-27	Hebrews 11:1-20	Psalms 121:1-8
20 Aug	Deuteronomy 24:5-13	Daniel 9:1-27	Hebrews 11:21-40	Psalms 122:1-9
21 Aug	Deuteronomy 24:14-25:19	Isaiah 54:1-10	Hebrews 12:1-29	Psalms 123:1-4

50. Ki Tavo (When You Enter In) 22-28 August 2021 (14-20 Elul 5781)

22 Aug	Deuteronomy 26:1-11	Daniel 10:1-21	Hebrews 13:1-25	Psalms 124:1-8
23 Aug	Deuteronomy 26:12-15	Daniel 11:1-35	James 1:1-27	Psalms 125:1-5
24 Aug	Deuteronomy 26:16-19	Daniel 11:36-12:13	James 2:1-26	Psalms 126:1-6
25 Aug	Deuteronomy 27:1-10	Hosea 1:1-3:5	James 3:1-18	Psalms 127:1-5
26 Aug	Deuteronomy 27:11-28:6	Hosea 4:1-6:11	James 4:1-17	Psalms 128:1-6
27 Aug	Deuteronomy 28:7-68	Hosea 7:1-8:14	James 5:1-20	Psalms 129:1-8
28 Aug	Deuteronomy 29:1-9	Isaiah 60:1-22	1 Peter 1:1-25	Psalms 130:1-8

51. Nitzavim (You Are Standing) 9 August-4 September 2021 (21-27 Elul 5781)

29 Aug	Deuteronomy 29:10-12	Hosea 9:1-11:12	1 Peter 2:1-25	Psalms 131:1-3
30 Aug	Deuteronomy 29:13-15	Hosea 12:1-14:9	1 Peter 3:1-22	Psalms 132:1-10
31 Aug	Deuteronomy 29:16-29	Joel 1:1-2:11	1 Peter 4:1-19	Psalms 132:11-18
01 Sep	Deuteronomy 30:1-6	Joel 2:12-3:21	1 Peter 5:1-14	Psalms 133:1-3
02 Sep	Deuteronomy 30:7-10	Amos 1:1-3:15	2 Peter 1:1-21	Psalms 134:1-3
03 Sep	Deuteronomy 30:11-14	Amos 4:1-5:27	2 Peter 2:1-22	Psalms 135:1-21
04 Sep	Deuteronomy 30:15-20	Isaiah 61:10-63:9	2 Peter 3:1-18	Psalms 136:1-26

51/52. Rosh Hashana & Vayalekh (And He Went) 5-11 Sept 2021 (28 Elul-5781-5 Tishrei 5782)¹⁸¹⁹²⁰

05 Sep	Deuteronomy 31:1-3	Amos 6:1-7:17	1 John 1:1-2:11	Psalms 137:1-9
06 Sep	Deuteronomy 31:4-9	Amos 8:1-9:15	1 John 2:12-29	Psalms 138:1-8
07 Sep	<i>Genesis 21:1-22:24</i> <i>Numbers 29:1-6</i>	<i>1 Samuel 1:1-2:10;</i> <i>Jeremiah 31:1-19</i>	1 John 3:1-24	Psalms 139:1-24
08 Sep	Deuteronomy 31:10-19	Obadiah 1:1-21	1 John 4:1-21	Psalms 140:1-13
09 Sep	<i>Exodus 32:11-14, 34:1-10</i>	Jonah 1:1-4:11	1 John 5:1-21	Psalms 141:1-10
10 Sep	Deuteronomy 31:20-24	Micah 1:1-4:13	2 John 1:1-3; John 1:14	Psalms 142:1-7
11 Sep	Deuteronomy 31:25-30	<i>Hosea 14:1-9;</i> <i>Micah 7:18-20;</i> <i>Joel 2:16-27</i>	Jude 1:1-25	Psalms 143:1-12

¹⁸ Rosh Hashana (Yom Teruah/Feast of Trumpets) is sundown September 6 to sundown September 7.

¹⁹ Tzom Gedaliah, the Fast of Gedaliah, is September 9. This fast of the seventh month laments the assassination of the righteous governor of Judea, which ended Jewish rule following the destruction of the First Temple (see 2 Kings 25:22-26 and Jeremiah 40:1-41:18). The customary reading from Exodus 32:11-34:10

²⁰ September 11 is Shabbat Shuva (Sabbath of Return). This is the Shabbat that occurs during the Ten Days of Awe between Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. Hosea 14:1-9 (14:2-10 in the Jewish numbering) is the traditional reading.

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53. Yom Kippur & Ha'azinu (Give Ear) 12-18 September 2021 (6-12 Tishrei 5782)²¹

12 Sep	Deuteronomy 32:1-6	Micah 5:1-7:20	Revelation 1:1-20	Psalm 144:1-15
13 Sep	Deuteronomy 32:7-12	Nahum 1:1-3:19	Revelation 2:1-29	Psalm 145:1-21
14 Sep	Deuteronomy 32:13-18	Habakkuk 1:1-3:19	Revelation 3:1-22	Psalm 146:1-10
15 Sep	Deuteronomy 32:19-28	Zephaniah 1:1-3:20	Revelation 4:1-5:14	Psalm 147:1-20
16 Sep	<i>Leviticus 16:1-34</i>	<i>Isaiah 57:14-58:14</i>	Revelation 6:1-17	Psalm 148:1-14
17 Sep	Deuteronomy 32:29-43	Haggai 1:1-2:23	Revelation 7:1-8:13	Psalm 149:1-9
18 Sep	Deuteronomy 32:44-52	2 Samuel 22:1-51	Revelation 9:1-21	Psalm 150:1-6

Sukkot I 19-25 September 2021 (13-19 Tishrei 5782)²²

19 Sep	<i>Numbers 29:7-11</i>	Zechariah 1:1-3:10	Revelation 10:1-11:19	Proverbs 31:1-9
20 Sep	<i>Numbers 29:12-16</i>	Zechariah 4:1-6:14	Revelation 12:1-17	Proverbs 31:10-31
21 Sep	<i>Leviticus 22:26-23:22</i>	Zechariah 7:1-8:23	Revelation 13:1-18	Song of Songs 1:1-17
22 Sep	<i>Leviticus 22:23-23:44</i>	<i>1 Kings 8:2-21</i>	Revelation 14:1-15:8	Song of Songs 2:1-17
23 Sep	<i>Numbers 29:17-25</i>	Zechariah 9:1-11:17	Revelation 16:1-21	Song of Songs 3:1-11
24 Sep	<i>Numbers 29:20-28</i>	<i>Zechariah 12:1-14:21</i>	Revelation 17:1-18	Song of Songs 4:1-16
25 Sep	<i>Exodus 33:12-34:26</i>	<i>Ezekiel 38:18-39:16</i>	Revelation 18:1-19:10	Song of Songs 5:1-16

1. Sukkot II & B'Reisheet (In the Beginning) 26 September-2 October 2021 (20-26 Tishrei 5782)

26 Sep	<i>Numbers 29:26-31</i>	Malachi 1:1-2:17	Revelation 19:11-20:15	Song of Songs 6:1-13
27 Sep	<i>Numbers 29:32-40</i>	Malachi 3:1-4:6	Revelation 21:1-27	Song of Songs 7:1-13
28 Sep	<i>Deuteronomy 14:22-16:17</i>	<i>1 Kings 8:54-66</i>	Revelation 22:1-21	Song of Songs 8:1-14
29 Sep	Deuteronomy 33:1-34:12	Joshua 1:1-2:24	Matthew 1:1-25	Psalm 1:1-6
30 Sep	Genesis 1:1-3:21	Joshua 3:1-4:24	Matthew 2:1-23	Psalm 2:1-12
01 Oct	Genesis 3:22-5:24	Joshua 5:1-6:27	Matthew 3:1-17	Psalm 3:1-8
02 Oct	Genesis 5:25-6:8	Isaiah 42:5-43:10	Matthew 4:1-25	Psalm 4:1-8

²¹ Yom Kippur (Day of Atonement) is sundown September 16 to sundown September 17.

²² Sukkot (Tabernacles) begins at sundown September 20 and continues to sundown September 28 (the 8th Day).

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Chronological Order of the Prophets (from *Halley's Bible Handbook*)

Book	Years	Significant Events
Obadiah Joel	845(?) BC 830 BC	- Jehu of Israel (c. 841-814 BC) (2 Kings 9-10). - Hazael (842-796 BC) of Syria conquers Gilead. - Shalmaneser III (859-824 BC) of Assyria devastates Israel & Damascus (842 BC).
Jonah Hosea Amos	790-749 BC 760-720 BC 751 BC	- Uzziah of Judah (783-742 BC) - Founding of Rome by Romulus (753 BC)
Micah Isaiah	749-697 BC 745-695 BC	- Tiglath-Pileser III (Pul) (745-727 BC) of Assyria puts Israel under tribute (1 Chronicles 5:25-26; 2 Kings 15:17-20) (739 BC) - Shalmaneser V (727-722 BC) and Sargon II (722-705 BC) conquer Samaria, taking the Ten Tribes of Israel into captivity and exile (2 Kings 17) - Hezekiah of Judah (715-687 BC) - Sennacherib (705-681 BC) of Assyria invades Judah (Isaiah 36-37)
Nahum Zephaniah	630 BC 639-608 BC	- Josiah of Judah (640-609 BC)
Jeremiah Habakkuk	626-586 BC 625-606 BC	- Nebuchadnezzar II (605-562 BC) of Babylon - 1 st Babylonian conquest of Judah (604 BC) - 2 nd Babylonian conquest of Judah (597 BC) - 3 rd Babylonian conquest of Judah; destruction of Temple (586 BC)
Daniel Ezekiel Obadiah	606-534 BC 592-572 BC 586(?) BC	- Babylonian Captivity (604-538 BC) - Darius the Mede (539 BC) conquers Babylon - Decree of Cyrus to rebuild Jerusalem (538 BC)
Haggai Zechariah Malachi	520-516 BC 520-516 BC 444 BC	- Ezra leads exiles from Babylon back to Judea (458 BC) - Artaxerxes I (425-424 BC) of Persia sends Nehemiah to rebuild Jerusalem (445 BC)

Chronological Order of Jeremiah (by chapter, left to right)

1	2	12	15	16	17	11	3	4	5	6	26	27a	13	14	23	25	36	45	46
47	48	49	35	36b	30	22	31	24	29	28	27b	50	51	37	38	39a	52a	33	18
19	20	21	9	32	7	8	10	34	39b	52b	40	41	42	43	44	52c	52d		

Chronological Order of Isaiah (by chapter, left to right)

6	7	8	9	10	11	12	17	28	1	2	3	4	5	13	14	15	16	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40
41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50	51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58	59	60
61	62	63	64	65	66														