

### James: Christ Our Royal Law

#### Overview:

Writing to persecuted Christians, James addresses many practical outworkings of one's faith. Starting with perseverance through trials and ending with an emphasis on prayer, saving faith is evident to those around us through our works. These works do not save us, but they do offer a proof of our salvation. James shows how both Old and Testament teachings of wisdom and law hinge on the necessity of faith.

#### Introduction Starter:

Laws designed for our good are all around us. Speed limits tell us a safe speed at which we can travel. Tax requirements enable governments to function and provide services for the good of the people. God's law, as revealed in His Word, requires believers to live to His holy standard. Yet, as with our modern laws, we have a tendency to consistently break the rules.

#### Main Idea:

Through His perfect life, Jesus satisfies the requirements of God's Law for us.

#### Outline:

1. The Law requires a faith that endures trials (ch.1)

Enduring trials shows a faith that does rather than one that only hears

2. The Law requires a faith that produces works (ch.2)

The truly rich in faith demonstrate a faith with their works, just as the examples of Abraham and Rahab show

3. The Law requires a faith that receives help from above (ch.3-5)

Wisdom from above helps us to control our tongue and passions (ch.3)

Humility from above helps us to submit to God's will (ch.4)

Focus on God above helps us to wait and pray expectantly (ch.5)

#### Christ Connection:

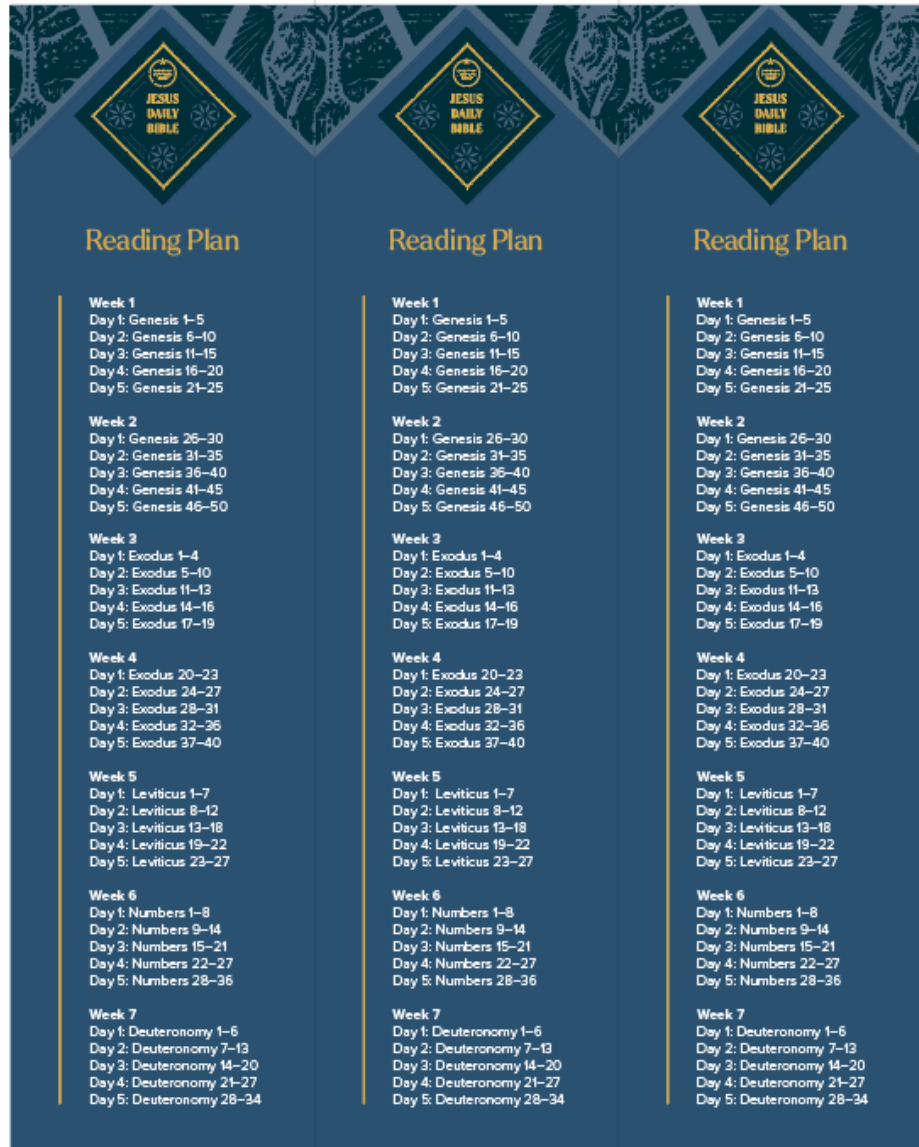
Jesus did not come to abolish the law but to fulfill it (Matthew 5:17), and He also fulfills the law on our behalf. Christ uses the fire of trials to test our faith (1 Peter 1:6–7). Apart from Him, we cannot produce any good works of faith (John 15:5). Christ is the wisdom of God (1 Corinthians 1:30). He exemplifies humility (Philippians 2:1–11). Finally, Jesus taught that our treasure must be focused on heaven and not earth (Matthew 6:19–24).

#### Concluding Idea/Application:

Our inability to live up to the perfect standard of the law can result in guilt and shame. Instead, Christ's perfect life fulfills the law and takes away our imperfection. When we trust in Him, we receive what the law was always designed to give: life in the presence of God.



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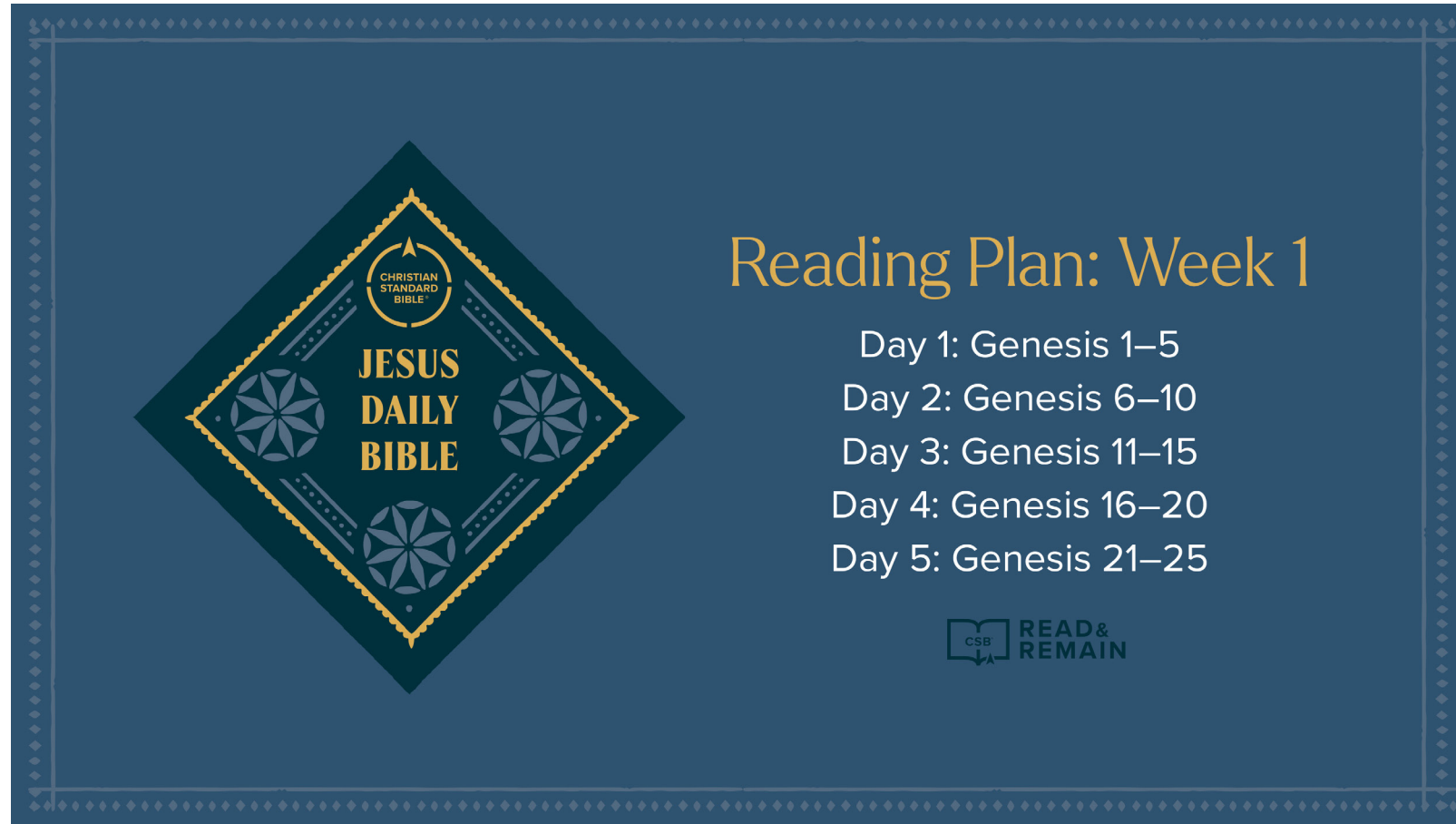


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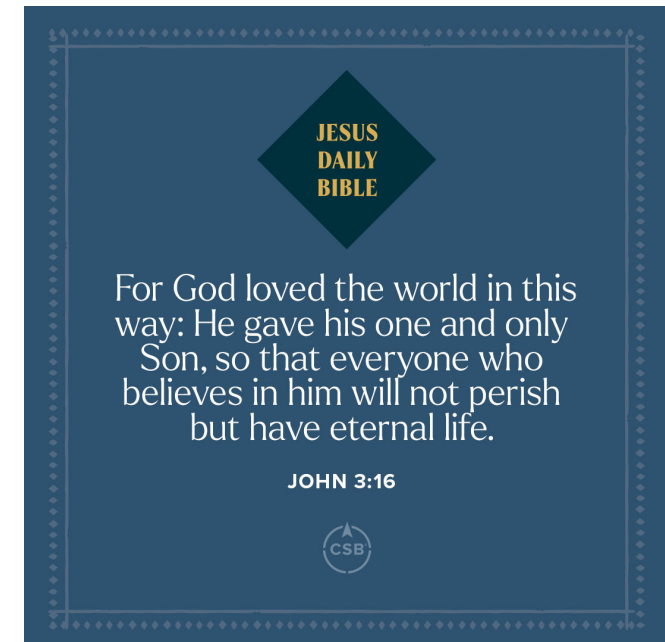
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