



Character Matters | Summer 2026 Bible Reading Guide

Based on Galatians 5:22–23 NLT: “But the Holy Spirit produces this kind of fruit in our lives: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control.”

Reflection Questions:

1. What did you learn about this fruit from God’s Word?
2. What might this spiritual fruit look like in everyday life at school, home, or with friends?
3. Why do you think God wants to grow this fruit in you instead of you just trying harder on our own?

On Sundays, write out a two or three sentence prayer in response to what you have read about that week’s spiritual fruit.

WEEK 1 – LOVE

Key Idea: Loving others the way God loves us.

Monday, June 15

Galatians 5:22; 1 John 4:7-8

Tuesday, June 16

1 Corinthians 13:4–7

Wednesday, June 17

John 13:34–35

Thursday, June 18

Romans 5:6-8

Friday, June 19 – Bible Story

Luke 10:25–37 – *The Good Samaritan*

Saturday, June 20

1 John 3:16–18

Sunday, June 21

Write out a prayer response.

WEEK 2 – JOY

Key Idea: Joy comes from God, not from circumstances.

Monday, June 22

Galatians 5:22; Psalm 16:8,11

Tuesday, June 23

Philippians 4:4

Wednesday, June 24

Nehemiah 8:10

Thursday, June 25

James 1:2–3

Friday, June 26 – Bible Story

Acts 16:22–34 – *Paul and Silas in Prison*

Saturday, June 27

John 15:11

Sunday, June 28

Write out a prayer response.

WEEK 3 – PEACE

Key Idea: God’s peace guards our hearts even when life feels messy.

Monday, June 29

Galatians 5:22; John 14:27

Tuesday, June 30

Isaiah 26:3

Wednesday, July 1

Philippians 4:6–7

Thursday, July 2

Romans 12:14-18

Friday, July 3 – Bible Story

Mark 4:35–41 – *Jesus Calms the Storm*

Saturday, July 4

Colossians 3:15

Sunday, July 5

Rest and reflect.

WEEK 4 – PATIENCE

Key Idea: Patience means trusting God’s timing and showing grace to others.

Monday, July 6

Galatians 5:22; Psalm 27:14

Tuesday, July 7

Proverbs 14:29

Wednesday, July 8

James 5:7–8

Thursday, July 9

Ephesians 4:2

Friday, July 10 – Bible Story

Genesis 37; 45:1–8 – *Joseph’s Long Wait*

Saturday, July 11

Romans 12:12

Sunday, July 12

Write out a prayer response.

WEEK 5 – KINDNESS

Key Idea: Kindness shows God’s heart through our actions.

Monday, July 13

Galatians 5:22; Ephesians 4:32

Tuesday, July 14

Proverbs 11:17

Wednesday, July 15

Colossians 3:12

Thursday, July 16

Luke 6:35

Friday, July 17 – Bible Story

2 Samuel 9:1-13 – *David and Mephibosheth*

Saturday, July 18

Proverbs 21:21

Sunday, July 19

Write out a prayer response.

WEEK 6 – GOODNESS

Key Idea: Goodness flows from a heart shaped by God.

Monday, July 20

Galatians 5:22; Psalm 23:6

Tuesday, July 21

Micah 6:8

Wednesday, July 22

Romans 12:9

Thursday, July 23

Galatians 6:9-10

Friday, July 24 – Bible Story

Genesis 37:18-28; 50:14-21 – *Joseph forgives*

Saturday, July 25

Matthew 5:16

Sunday, July 26

Write out a prayer response.

WEEK 7 – FAITHFULNESS

Key Idea: Faithfulness means sticking with God and doing what’s right even when it’s hard.

Monday, July 27

Galatians 5:22; Lamentations 3:22-23

Tuesday, July 28

Proverbs 3:3-4

Wednesday, July 29

Luke 16:10

Thursday, July 30

Hebrews 10:23

Friday, July 31 – Bible Story

Daniel 6:1-23 – *Daniel remains faithful*

Saturday, August 1

1 Corinthians 4:2

Sunday, August 2

Write out a prayer response.

WEEK 8 – GENTLENESS

Key Idea: Gentleness is strength guided by love.

Monday, August 3

Galatians 5:23; Matthew 11:28-30

Tuesday, August 4

Proverbs 15:1

Wednesday, August 5

Colossians 3:12

Thursday, August 6

Philippians 4:5

Friday, August 7 – Bible Story

John 21:1-17 – *Jesus restores Peter*

Saturday, August 8

2 Timothy 2:24-25

Sunday, August 9

Write out a prayer response.

WEEK 9 – SELF-CONTROL

Key Idea: With God’s help, we can choose what is right.

Monday, August 10

Galatians 5:23; Proverbs 25:28

Tuesday, August 11

1 Corinthians 10:23

Wednesday, August 12

Titus 2:11-12

Thursday, August 13

2 Timothy 1:7

Friday, August 14 – Bible Story

Matthew 26:30-40 – *Jesus chooses God’s way*

Saturday, August 15

1 Corinthians 9:24-25

Sunday, August 16

Write out a prayer response.

At the end of the summer, turn in your sheet with your parent’s signature for a special surprise!

Student’s Name: _____ Parent Signature: _____