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If you're new to the Bible, the book of **Revelation** can feel intimidating. It's filled with vivid imagery, symbolism, and language that can seem confusing at first glance. But at its heart, Revelation is not meant to overwhelm—it is meant to **encourage**.

It was written to early Christians who were facing hardship, reminding them that **God is in control, Jesus is victorious, and restoration is coming**.

Right at the beginning, we are given this promise:

“Blessed is the one who reads aloud the words of this prophecy, and blessed are those who hear it and take to heart what is written in it...” —Revelation 1:3

This verse is an invitation.

In the early church, Scripture wasn't read silently and individually the way we often do today—it was read **out loud in community**. People gathered, listened together, remembered together, and encouraged one another to live it out.

This matters for your family.

When you **read Scripture aloud**, even something small:

- Your children **hear** God's Word
- They begin to **remember** it
- And over time, it takes root in their hearts

The Holy Spirit uses this process—**hearing, remembering, and obeying**—to gently transform us from the inside out.

You don't have to understand everything in Revelation to benefit from it. Start small. Read simple portions. Focus on what is clear:

God wins. Jesus restores. Hope is coming.

And as you read together as a family, you are stepping into a rhythm that has shaped believers for generations—a rhythm that forms hearts, strengthens faith, and builds a lasting legacy.

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While AI is an incredible resource that is capable of many wonderful things, it is imperative to test everything you read or hear about God, Jesus, and the Holy Spirit against the Bible.

If you're not familiar with reading the Bible, a children's version is a great place to start!

These are a few our family has enjoyed reading together over the years:

- [The Beginners Bible: Timeless Children's Stories](#) (ages 2-6)
- [The Jesus Storybook Bible: Every Story Whispers His Name](#) (ages 4-8)
- [Brave Girls Bible Stories](#) (ages 5-9)
- [The Adventure Bible: God's Redemptive Story](#) (ages 8+)

The Bible I read (and highly recommend!) is the [NLT Life Application Study Bible](#), which provides contextual information on things like customs and culture, as well as biographies, maps and summaries. It also connects prophecies made in the Old Testament to the fulfillment of them in the New Testament through the life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

To receive a free Bible, visit your local church, library, or thrift store, or [order one online here](#).

If you prefer to read online, there are countless Bible apps to choose from.

I often use [Biblehub.com](#) when looking to compare different translations of the same verse and, when looking to dive deeper into a particular topic (or verse), I visit [GotQuestions.org](#).

The ULTIMATE source of knowledge and wisdom is - without a doubt! - the Holy Spirit, which we receive by the grace of God when we claim Jesus as our Lord and Savior.

If you have not yet done that, rest assured for Romans 10:9 explains:

"If you declare with your mouth, 'Jesus is Lord,' and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved."

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