

# WORDS OF GOD

It's time to bring the Bible to life.

# Starting with 25 words.

Love one another deeply. For you have been  
BORN AGAIN not of perishable seed but of imperishable,  
through the living and enduring word of God.

1 Peter 1:23



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A lot of people think that Bible reading is hard. And maybe that's why less than two of every ten Christians are engaging with the word of God on a daily basis.

But have you ever noticed that the Bible is made up of chunks of about 25 words? What we call verses. It's interesting how that's about the number of words we use on Twitter, in an SMS or a Facebook update.

And that's the whole idea behind our 2012 campaign: **Live Light in 25 words**. We're encouraging Christians to start a Bible reading habit starting with 25 words. We will make the Bible available in all kinds of formats to get them started. It's our prayer that by starting with this regular reading of a verse or two, people will form a habit of reading God's Word; a habit that will lighten their hearts and transform their lives.

## Tools to get people opening their Bibles

All the campaign activities and resources point to October 1, the start of a month-long focus where we ask Christians to make a commitment to a Bible habit. Just ask, and we can equip you with:

- **The Good Book Talks.** Ten 20 minute talks, delivered by Australian Christian leaders for the campaign month of October. The talks can be used during church or for small groups etc.
- **Four week Bible Studies for small groups.** Important because research shows that nothing changes a habit like peer-to-peer accountability.
- **Online Bible Reading.** To make full use of social media.
- **30-day Bible Reading Guide.** We know it takes 30 days to change a habit, and this month long guide will provide a framework for daily Bible reading for the month of October.
- **“Read the Bible with....”** Reading the Bible with a friend. Available online as daily devotions for the whole month of October.
- **God’s Library (The Bible Book).** We’re working on a detailed but easy to use and enjoyable book explaining what the Bible is, and why it’s important that we are familiar with it.



## Events to bring the Bible to life

We've got some fresh ways to share the Bible that you can quickly plug into your church life.

- 'The Life of Jesus' Cinema events. These cinema events will explore 'The Life of Jesus', in a one hour documentary, followed by questions and answers. The events will be hosted by Greg Clarke and John Dickson, as participants journey through the life of Jesus, from birth to resurrection.
- National Bible Tour – Why can we trust the NT? Run during the month of September and in partnership with CPX, the tour is based on the 'Christ Files' examining the authenticity of the Bible.
- Ignite Film Festival. A short film festival will also be run on the first weekend of October 2012. Check out [ignitefilmfest.com](http://ignitefilmfest.com) for further information.
- Create an event at your church. A ready-to-use DVD of twenty-minute sermons from top Christian "leaders and teachers" from around Australia, who address the topic of reading the Bible.

These events are simple to adopt. Why not share it with your church's leadership and see when they can use it? Go to our website [biblesociety.org.au/25words](http://biblesociety.org.au/25words) for a full list of resources and events.

**Make sure your church, school or organisation is included – sign up at [biblesociety.org.au/25words](http://biblesociety.org.au/25words)**

As the national campaign takes off, we pray that it will encourage and help your church, school or organisation with their Bible reading habit. Sign up online now to keep up to date with the campaign.



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