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Americans Fond of the Bible, but How Many Read It?

My comments this month are excerpts from an Biblical Recorder article written in the May 2017 by Bob Smietana.

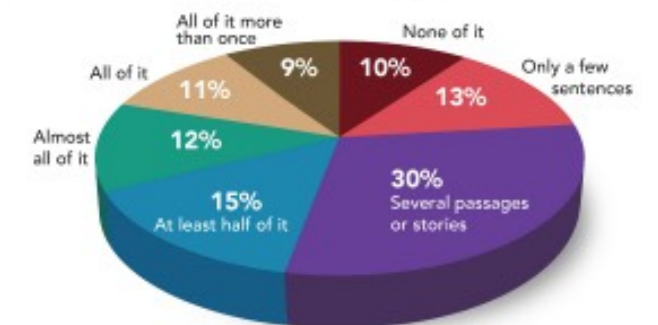
Americans appear to have a positive view of the Bible. However, more than half of Americans have read little or none of the Bible.

Scott McConnell, Executive Director of Lifeway Research says, "Most Americans don't know first-hand the overall story of the Bible because they rarely pick it up. Even among worship attendees less than half read the Bible daily. The only time most Americans hear from the Bible is when someone else is reading it."

Lifeway research surveyed 1000 Americans and discovered that 87% of American homes own a Bible. 11% of those surveyed have read through the entire Bible once. 9% have read it through multiple times. Another 12% say they have read nearly all of the Bible, while 15% have read at least half.

About 53% of Americans have read relatively little of the Bible. One in ten has read none of it, while 13% have read a few sentences. 30% say they have read several passages or stories.

Among Americans:
How much of the Bible have you personally read?

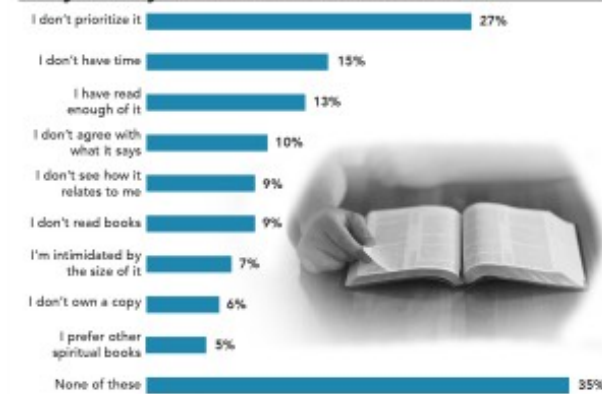


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Among Americans:

Why have you not read the Bible more?



Note: Respondents could select all that apply.

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Overall, Americans have a positive view of the Bible. 37% say it is helpful today while 35% call it life-changing.

A number of reasons keep Americans from reading the Bible, according to Lifeway research. 27% say they don't prioritize it, while 15% don't have time. 13% say they've read it enough. 9% say they don't see how it relates to them personally. And 10% say they don't agree with what the Bible says.

McConnell says overall, Americans seem to like the Bible but don't have much urgency about reading it. He goes on to say that most Americans treat the Bible like exercise. They know it's important and helpful but they don't do it.

If anything, this research demonstrates an overall spirit of apathy toward the Word of God. If we desire our heavenly Father to pour out His blessing upon us, we must get back to revering, reading and applying the His Word to our lives.

How about we start today?

Pastor Dwayne

May Pulpit

Sermon Series: In Christ Alone - The Book of Hebrews

- May 7 The Real Man - Hebrews 2:1-18
- May 14 How To Hold Firm And Stay Focused
Hebrews 3:1-19
- May 21 Restless Heart Syndrome - Hebrews 4:1-16
(Communion)
- May 28 Guest Speaker - Rev. Steve Kirk

Vacation Bible School



May Calendar

2017

Weekly Events

- 9:45am
10:55am
10:55am

Sunday
Sunday School
Worship
Children's Church
- 10:00am
6:30pm

6:45pm

Wednesday
Morning Bible Study
AWANA
Youth Bible Study
Adult Bible Study
College Bible Study

Church Events for May

May 2017	
Prison Ministry - 6:00 PM	1
Men's Prayer Breakfast - 8:00 AM	7
C.A.R.E. Ministry - 5:00 PM	8
Mother's Day Breakfast - 8:30 AM	14
Deacon Nominations Due	14
Deacons Meeting - 7:30 PM	15
LLL's Luncheon Meeting - 12:00 Noon	16
COMMUNION/CHURCH CONF. - 7:00 PM	21
C.A.R.E. Ministry - 5:00 PM	22
JBA Semi-Annual Meeting	23
Memorial Day - Office Closed	29

Happy
Birthday

May Birthdays	
2	Shirley Jeffords
6	Garret Poplin
8	Howard D. Freeman
10	Doris Freeman, Lydia Pearson
12	Virginia Lee, Stephanie Hough
15	Michael Edwards
19	Margaret Lee
20	Macie Price
26	Edward Martin
28	Danielle Haddock
29	Ron Vanatta



Monday May 15, 2017
7:30 PM
May Service Deacon
Joe Baker

Tithes and Offerings
April, 2017
General Fund MTD — \$27,239.52
Monthly Requirement — \$28,875.00



MOTHER'S DAY
Breakfast
 Please join us
SUNDAY
 May 14 at 8:30 AM
 PBC Fellowship Hall




**Continues on
 Wednesday
 Nights**



May 7th
 At
Real McCoy
Princeton
\$25/Person
**Must complete
 release form to
 attend!**

LLL's Luncheon
Tuesday May 16, 2017
12:00 Noon

Please come join us for good food and fellowship
YOU'LL BE GLAD YA DID!

C.A.R.E. Ministry

The CARE Team meets May 8 & 22, 2017 at 5:00 PM. Join us if you can pray, help deliver meals, clean up after dinner or make follow up visits. Please notify the team if you know of any needs they can meet or anyone who needs encouragement to join our church family. We need drivers to deliver meals on the second & fourth Monday nights.

C.A.R.E. Team Report

April 10 & 24, 2017

Members Present:	17
Meals Delivered	50
Visits	1
Cards Sent	15

Prayers for all requests

Praises for many blessings

May Nursery Schedule
Sunday School & Worship

Nursery Volunteers	
7	Kaitlyn Batten
14	Megan Lee
21	Jean Starling
28	Lauri Hinton

Rotating Nursery Schedule

Karen Pearson & Kim Wellons
 Joyce Dudley & Margaret Bullock

Senior Parking

In respect for the needs of our senior saints, we ask that the parking spaces in the rear parking lot by the Fellowship Hall be reserved for our senior citizens. This includes all spaces from the drive-through shelter to 2nd St. The two Guest spaces will still be reserved for guest.

Ushers

May 2017
 Lead Usher - Carlyle Woodard
 Phone - 919-936-3561

AWANA Awards
&
The Children's Choir Presents

"Let Freedom Ring"
(A Patriotic Musical)

May 17 - 6:30 PM

Join us as we celebrate the Lord's work in the lives of our children this past year!

College Bible Study - Meets Wednesdays at 6:45pm



Craig Groeschel
 Following Jesus in
 a Selfie-Centered
 World

#struggles

May 2017 Flower Schedule

- 7 - Eddie & Dottie Pearce in memory of their parents, Bob & Jackie Pearce & L.P. & Minya Creech**
- 14 - Joyce Dudley Family in memory of Lionel, son, Marty and Esther Sasser**
- 21 - COMMUNION/CHURCH CONFERENCE**
- 28 - Eddie & Kim Haddock in memory of those who have sacrifice for their country**