

BEACON USER GUIDE

User Guide | 52-Week Bible Study for Married Couples 8-Week Pilot Edition

Strengthening marriages through Scripture, reflection, and shared spiritual practices

Welcome to Beacon

Beacon is a Bible study application designed to help you and your spouse grow spiritually together. Over 52 weeks (8 weeks in this pilot), you'll explore foundational marriage principles, engage with Scripture, discuss important topics, and apply Biblical truth to your relationship. Each week follows a consistent 7-day rhythm designed for busy couples, combining individual reflection with meaningful couple time.

Getting Started

Setting Up Your Journey When you first open Beacon, you'll see the Welcome screen with the Beacon logo.

- Enter your name in the first field.
- Enter your spouse's name in the second field.
- Tap [BEGIN JOURNEY] to start your 8-week pilot. Your names will appear at the top of the Dashboard with personalized initials.

The Dashboard

Couple Display: Shows both partners' initials and names at the top. **Current Week Card:** The highlighted card shows your current week's title and theme. Tap it to enter the weekly content.

Progress Dots: Six dots on the week card show which days you've completed. Completed days turn accent cyan (#5BA4B5); your current day has a highlighted ring. **Stats Cards:** Three cards display your Streak (consecutive weeks completed), Weeks completed, and total Days completed.

Journey Calendar: An 8-week grid shows your full pilot journey. Completed weeks turn accent colored; your current week has a teal border. Tap any week to review or continue it.

Weekly Module

Each week is divided into daily activities accessed through the day tabs at the top of the screen.

Weekly Rhythm

Day	Activity	Duration	Mode
Day 1 (Sun)	Theme Introduction	10-15 min	Together
Days 2-3	Individual Reflection	5-10 min	Individual
Day 4 (Wed)	Couple Discussion	20-30 min	Together
Days 5-6	Practical Challenge	Varies	Together
Day 7 (Sat)	Joint Prayer	10-15 min	Together

Content Types

- **Scripture Blocks:** ESV Bible passages displayed in styled boxes with accent left borders (#5BA4B5).
- **Devotional Text:** Brief teaching that illuminates the week's theme and connects Scripture to your marriage.
- **Journal Prompts:** Reflection questions with text areas where you can record your thoughts. Your entries save automatically as you type.
- **Biblical Couple Study:** Each week features a marriage from Scripture (Adam & Eve, Isaac & Rebekah, etc.) with insights for your relationship.
- **Discussion Prompts:** Questions designed to spark meaningful conversation between spouses.
- **Practical Challenge:** Actionable exercises with step-by-step instructions to apply the week's theme.
- **Guided Prayer:** Written prayers designed to be read aloud together as a couple.

Completing Days

- Work through the day's content together or individually as indicated.
- Fill in any journal prompts (your entries save automatically).

- When finished, tap [MARK DAY COMPLETE] at the bottom of the screen.
- The app will advance you to the next day automatically. When you complete Day 7, the entire week is marked complete, and you'll receive a celebration message before moving to the next week.

8-Week Pilot Themes

Week	Theme	Core Scripture
1	God's Design for Marriage	Genesis 2
2	Covenant vs. Contract	Malachi 2
3	Leaving and Cleaving	Genesis 2:24
4	Becoming One Flesh	Ecclesiastes 4
5	Self-Centeredness: The Enemy	Philippians 2
6	Biblical Roles	Ephesians 5
7	Communication	Ephesians 4
8	Listening Hearts	Proverbs 18

Functionality

Progress View

Tap the [PROGRESS] icon in the bottom navigation to see a detailed breakdown of your journey. This view shows your streak, completed weeks, total days completed, and a week-by-week list with completion status for each.

Navigation

Bottom Navigation: Two icons at the bottom let you switch between Dashboard and Progress views. **Back Button:** In the weekly module, tap [REVERT] to return to the Dashboard. **Day Tabs:** Tap any day tab to jump to that day's content. Completed days show a green checkmark. **Calendar Navigation:** Tap any week in the calendar grid to jump directly to that week.

Light & Dark Mode

Beacon supports both light and dark themes. Tap the theme toggle in the header ([LUX] for light mode or [NOX] for dark mode) to switch between them. Your preference is saved automatically.

Tips for Success

- **Schedule It:** Put your couple time on the calendar like any important appointment.
- **Protect It:** Phones away, distractions minimized. This is sacred time.
- **Be Honest:** Discussion prompts work best when you're vulnerable with each other.
- **Give Grace:** If you miss a day or week, don't give up. Pick up where you left off.
- **Pray Together:** Even if it feels awkward at first, praying together is transformative.

Your Data

All your data—including names, progress, and journal entries—is stored locally on your device. Nothing is sent to external servers. If you need to start fresh, you can reset your journey from the header menu.

May God bless your marriage as you seek Him together through His Word.