



URSA WAYFINDERS PRESENTS

FAITH -FUELED STUDENT

Guide

Rooted in Scripture. Ready for the Semester.

What This Is

The Faith-Fueled Student Forecast is a month-by-month guide designed to help you navigate the semester with Scripture, reflection, and encouragement. Each section weaves together Bible passages, heroic tales of faith, global reminders of God's movement in the world, and simple challenges to help you stay rooted in Christ through every stage of the academic journey.

How to Use It

Read: Begin each month by reading the Scripture and heroic tale provided.

Reflect: Use the questions and prompts to connect the story to your own life.

Respond: Try the practical challenges — small steps of faith that build strength and fellowship.

Remember: Faith is not just for Sundays. Let these words and practices anchor you through exams, friendships, and late-night study sessions.

Disclaimers

This resource is meant as a companion, not a replacement, for your personal Bible study or spiritual leadership from your church.

Verses are drawn from commonly used translations; feel free to read them in your preferred Bible version for deeper understanding.

Every student's walk with God is unique — use this guide as a support, not a prescription.

Reassurance

There will be days when your faith feels unshakable and days when it feels faint. Both are part of the journey. This guide is here to remind you that God's presence is constant, even when your strength is not. You are never walking alone.

Use this guide to feel strengthened, never pressured. Guided, never confined. Encouraged, never alone.



August – Fellowship & Foundations

Scripture: *“For where two or three gather in my name, there am I with them.” (Matthew 18:20)*

Heroic Tale (David): *Chosen though overlooked, David steps into his calling with God’s strength.*

Read: *1 Samuel 16–17*

Reflect: *What gifts has God given you, even if others don’t see them yet?*

Respond: *Write down one way you’ll use those gifts this semester.*

Faith Fact: *The first universities in Europe (like Oxford and Paris) were founded by Christians seeking to study both scripture and science.*



August Faith Connections

Challenge: Join or start a Bible study or faith-based student group; find your brothers and sisters in Christ.

Reflection Prompt: "Who can I walk with this semester, and how can I show up for them in Christ?"



September – Standing Strong

Scripture: *“Put on the full armor of God, so that you can take your stand against the devil’s schemes.” (Ephesians 6:11)*

Heroic Tale (Esther): *Risking everything, Esther speaks truth and saves her people.*

Read: *Esther 4–7*

Reflect: *Where is God calling you to be brave for others?*

Respond: *Pray for courage, then take one step to speak or act in faith.*

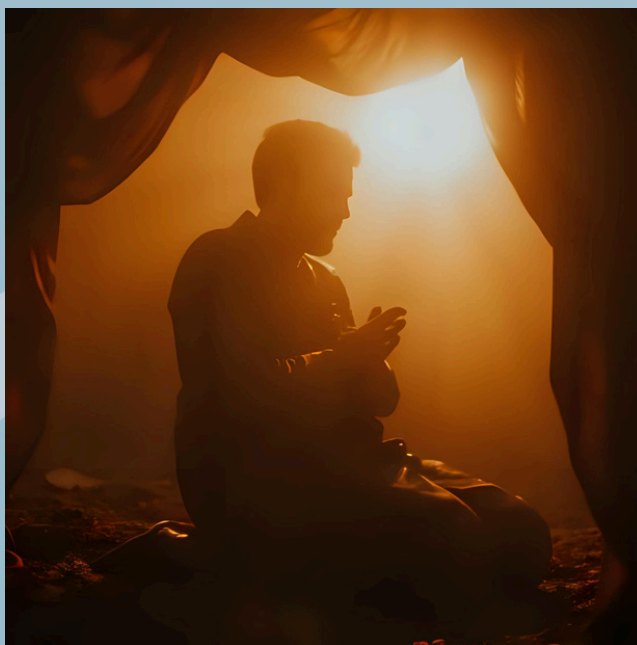
Faith Fact: *In many countries, students your age secretly gather in underground churches, showing boldness in faith.*



September Faith Connections

Challenge: *Take one bold step of faith this month – pray aloud with a friend, share your testimony, or invite someone to church.*

Reflection Prompt: *“Where do I need courage to stand strong this month?”*



October – Courage in Challenge

Scripture: *"Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid... for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go."*
(Joshua 1:9)

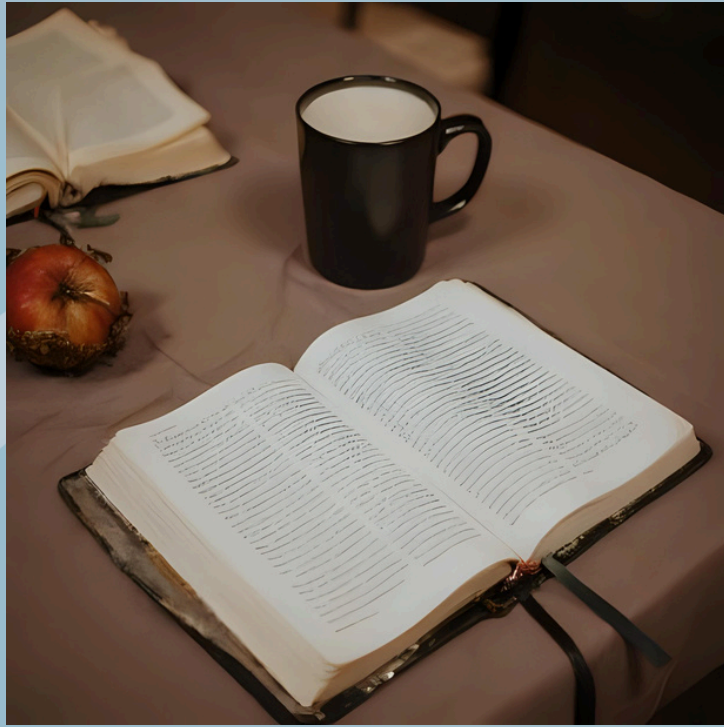
Heroic Tale (Daniel): *Daniel refuses to bow to idols, trusting God even in the lion's den.*

Read: *Daniel 6*

Reflect: *What pressures tempt you to compromise?*

Respond: *Commit to one non-negotiable in your walk with Christ this month.*

Faith Fact: *Every October, millions of students participate in "See You at the Pole," gathering around school flagpoles to pray together.*



October Faith Connections

Challenge: *Pick one habit of faith (morning prayer, journaling, reading a Psalm daily) and commit to it through midterms.*

Reflection Prompt: *"What lions in my life am I trusting God to shut the mouths of?"*



November – Renewal & Endurance

Scripture: *"But those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles..." (Isaiah 40:31)*

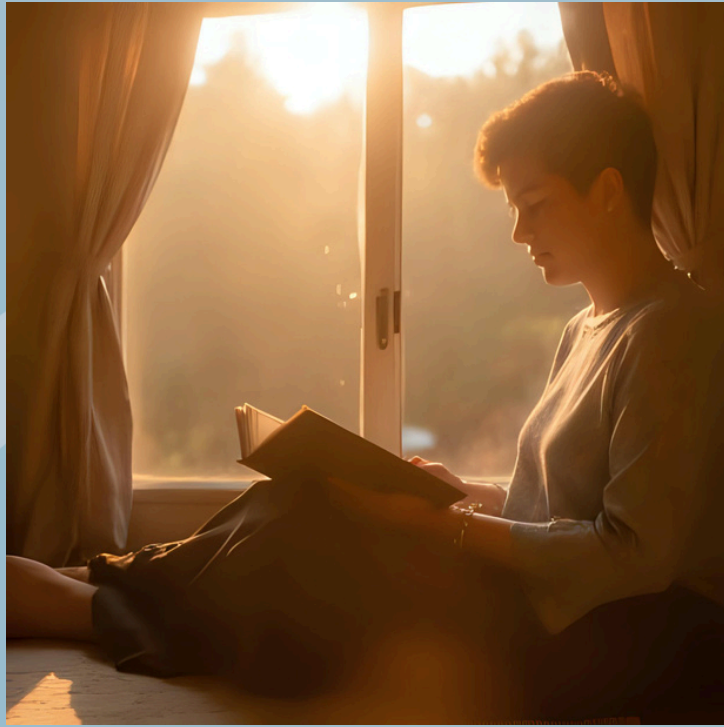
Heroic Tale (Elijah): *Worn down and ready to give up, Elijah is restored by God with food, rest, and His whisper.*

Read: *1 Kings 19*

Reflect: *When do you feel drained, and how does God invite you to rest?*

Respond: *Practice a Sabbath rhythm: rest, eat, pray, and listen.*

Faith Fact: *The Gospel has been translated into more than 3,500 languages, bringing renewal to people worldwide.*



November Faith Connection

Challenge: *Schedule one full "Sabbath" day this month to rest, worship, and reset your spirit before finals season.*

Reflection Prompt: *"Where do I feel weak or weary, and how is God renewing me?"*



December – Gratitude & Reflection

Scripture: *“Give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God’s will for you in Christ Jesus.” (1 Thessalonians 5:18)*

Heroic Tale (Paul & Silas): *Beaten and imprisoned, Paul and Silas still sing hymns of thanksgiving and praise.*

Read: Acts 16:16–40

Reflect: *How can gratitude transform even hard circumstances?*

Respond: *Sing a song of praise or write a prayer of thanks after finals.*

Faith Fact: *Around the world, Christians celebrate Advent as a season of anticipation and gratitude, remembering Christ’s arrival.*



December Faith Connections

Challenge: *Write down three things you're thankful for each day of finals week – big or small – and pray a prayer of gratitude.*

Reflection Prompt: *"What people, lessons, and moments has God used to shape me this semester?"*