

Scripture at the Inauguration

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The Library of Congress—in their infinite ability to provide content you never knew you were looking for—prepared a [useful list](#) [1] of scripture passages used by Presidents in taking the oath of office. While we're familiar with oaths-of-office being administered over closed bibles, many Presidents have opened the book to a specific passage.

I've listed some of my favorites here, but do make sure to look at their original post. What scripture passages do you think more elected officials need to focus on?

- Franklin Roosevelt: [1 Corinthians: 13](#) [2]
- Woodrow Wilson: [Psalm 119](#) [3]
- Ronald Reagan: [II Chronicles 7:14](#) [4]
- Bill Clinton: [Galatians 6:8](#) [5]

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