

The Bible in a Year Podcast Updated Fact Sheet - November 2022

1.5 Million 30-Day Audience Reach 365 Million All-time Downloads



As shared in the 11/2/2022 virtual press conference:

WITH FR. MIKE SCHMITZ, FEATURING JEFF CAVINS

	% Growth	Nov 2021 Press Conf.	Nov 2022 Press Conf.
30-Day Audience Reach (Chartable podcast + YouTube)	n/a	Not shared	1.5 Million unique devices downloading
BIY Facebook Group Membership	67% Growth	75,000	125,000
BIY Total Episode Downloads, All Time (Chartable)	157% Growth	142,000,000	365,000,000
BIY Episode #1 Downloads	150% Growth	1,000,000	2,750,000

#1 Global Podcast in Religion & Spirituality

- *The Bible in a Year* has been the **#1 podcast on Apple's Religion & Spirituality chart** for the majority of 2021-2022. (Source: Apple Podcasts)
- *The Bible in a Year* has been Chartable's <u>#1 global podcast in Religion & Spirituality</u> for all of 2022 (Source: Chartable)
- In January of 2022, **together with** Ascension's new 2022 Spanish-language offering *La Biblia en un año* podcast, *The Bible in a Year* topped "Christianity" charts in over <u>47</u> <u>countries</u> (Source: Chartable)

#1 on the Apple Charts - All Categories (Jan 2021 + Jan 2022)

*The Bible in a Year (with Fr. Mike Schmitz)*TM podcast broke the glass ceiling for religious podcasts, topping the Apple Podcasting chart in all

categories within 2 days of its January 2021 launch.

- **#1 Podcast in America**: *Bible in a Year* was the #1 podcast in America in all categories from Jan 2 - Jan 18, 2021, knocking out top shows from NPR, Dateline, Crime Junkie, and more. (Source: Apple Podcasts)



Again in 2022: It achieved the same feat from January 1-7, 2022, again becoming the top podcast on the US Apple charts in all categories. (Source: Apple Podcasts)

Media Coverage and Awards

Outstanding News Coverage: The fascinating story of a religious podcast topping the US Apple Charts has been picked up internationally by *The New* York Times Magazine, The Wall Street Journal, CBS National News, The Times (UK), DailyMail (UK), CBN, Fox NY, and *National Review*, as well as receiving



coverage in nearly all national US Catholic outlets.

Screen shot: CBS National News, April 2, 2022

Award-Winning Production: The Bible in a Year won a 2021 w3 Gold Award (Podcast: General Series - Health and Wellness) as well as the #1 Award in Religion and Spirituality from The Podcast Awards. Daily host Fr. Mike Schmitz and podcast featured guest Jeff Cavins were together named "Catholics of the Year" by the national Catholic news outlet *Our Sunday Visitor*, and received the Cardinal John P. Foley Award for excellence in Catholic storytelling from the Catholic Media Association.

For Biographical Information about Fr. Mike Schmitz and Jeff Cavins

- Bio for Fr. Mike Schmitz: Ascension Newsroom
- **Bio for Jeff Cavins:** Ascension Newsroom
- Listen to The Bible in a Year podcast: www.AscensionPress.com/BibleInAYear
- Listen to La Biblia en un Año podcast: La Biblia en un Año