

ACAC Student Ministries

Quest - 6th Grade Bible Reading Plan

Dear Parents:

Of all the reasons people mention for not reading the Bible, simple discouragement ranks highest. The Bible's length alone, about 1,000 pages, is imposing. More like a self-contained library than a book, it contains 66 different books written by 40 different authors under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit. Little wonder young students can get confused and discouraged.

Our goal is to lead students into the exciting world of God's Word - by unleashing it in a gradual, easier to understand way that will not intimidate them, but instead encourage them to read, study, and obey it for a lifetime.

The Bible reading plan below offers a kind of "bird's eye" view of Scripture and includes 186 of the 1,189 chapters in the Bible. Many well-known parts of the Bible are not represented, and from some books (Leviticus, for example), students will read only a single chapter. These 186 chapters have been selected because they are understandable to the average reader without commentary, and taken together, they provide a good foundation of Bible understanding. If you miss a few days, don't worry! Just resume reading when you can. If you stick to the program, by the 2nd week in June you will gain a solid overview that includes passages from every book in the Bible.

This is a "guided tour" of the Bible's high points. Of course this plan is no substitute for mastering the whole Bible, but it can help lower barriers and point the way down a path for further reading and study. Think of it as an introductory tour through a great art museum. You won't get to see every painting in the museum, but you will learn the basic layout, and acquire a taste for art that will entice you to return again and again.

With a few exceptions, the readings will be arranged in rough "chronological" order. For example, students will read the Psalms attributed to David as they read about his life. They will read the prophets along with their background history. Portions from the Gospels are arranged to give a combined picture of Jesus' life on earth; and Paul's letters are scattered throughout the record of his life. This arrangement should help students understand the Bible's "plot."

Each Sunday we meet, we will hand out a card with the passages assigned for the week. Students should read the assigned passages, check the appropriate boxes, write their name, and turn in the card the following week, or when they complete it (there are no weekly deadlines). The list below is for your convenience so that you can track the verses your student will be reading.

Before reading each day, remember to pray and ask the Holy Spirit to help you with your understanding, and then trust God for the results as you read.

Genesis: 1, 2, 3, 4, 7, 8, 15, 19, 22, 27, 28, 37, 41, 45	Matthew: 5, 6, 13, 19, 26, 27, 28
Exodus: 3, 10, 11, 14, 20, 32	Mark: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15
Leviticus: 26	Luke: 1, 2, 10, 12, 15, 16, 18, 24
Numbers: 11, 14	John: 3, 6, 10, 14, 15, 16, 17, 20
Deuteronomy: 4, 8, 28	Acts: 1, 2, 5, 9, 16, 17, 26, 27, 28
Joshua: 2, 6, 7, 24	Romans: 3, 7, 8, 12
Ruth: 1	1 Corinthians: 13, 15
1 Samuel: 3, 16, 17, 20	2 Corinthians: 4, 12
2 Samuel: 6, 11, 12	Galatians: 3
1 Kings: 3, 8, 17, 18	Ephesians: 2, 3
2 Kings: 5, 17, 22	Philippians: 2
1 Chronicles: 17	Colossians: 1
2 Chronicles: 20, 30, 32	1 Thessalonians: 3, 4
Ezra: 3	2 Thessalonians: 2
Nehemiah: 2, 8	1 Timothy: 1
Esther: 4	2 Timothy: 2
Job: 1, 2, 38, 42	Titus: 2
Psalms: 19, 23, 27, 51, 84, 103, 139	Hebrews: 2, 11, 12
Proverbs: 4, 10,	James: 1
Ecclesiastes: 3	1 Peter: 1
Song of Songs: 2	2 Peter: 1
Isaiah: 6, 25, 40, 52, 53, 55	1 John: 3
Jeremiah: 2, 15, 31, 38	2 and 3 John
Lamentations: 3	Jude
Ezekiel: 1, 2, 3, 4, 37	Revelation: 1, 12, 21
Daniel: 1, 3, 5, 6	
Hosea: 2, 3, 11	
Joel: 2	
Amos: 4	
Obadiah	
Jonah: 3, 4	
Micah: 6	
Nahum: 1	
Habakkuk: 1	
Zephaniah : 3	
Haggai: 1	
Zechariah: 8	
Malachi: 3	

Note: The above list represents the books and chapters you will read during the course of this reading plan, but it does not necessarily reflect the order in which you will read them. Cards will be handed out each week listing the passages to be read for that week.