

ACAC Student Ministries

Quest - 7th and 8th 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.

We have developed a two-track Bible reading program for our 7th and 8th graders that will take them through most of the Bible in two years, while passing over some of the more difficult, redundant, or overwhelming portions of Scripture. This program is designed with clean entry points as student's transition from 7th to 8th grade, or enter as a new student in 8th grade. In other words, although the two tracks are related, they are stand-alone in the sense that either track can be studied before the other.

Each Sunday we meet, we will hand out a card with the passages assigned for the week (also available on our website at www.acacstudentministries.net). 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). Please encourage your students to participate and read God's Word throughout the week. Maybe you can read along with them?

Before reading each day, remind them to pray and ask the Holy Spirit to help them with their understanding, and then trust God for the results as they read.