

Reading the Bible Together

RBT Reading Plan

Why whole books?

Our sovereign God has put the Bible together in books - so it is obviously best to read them as whole books. We will find it is simpler to understand this way. When it comes to the questions, it is crucial we answer them in a natural way. We want to answer the questions in a way that makes every Christian feel they can contribute and apply God's word.

The Bible tells us how to understand the Bible. So the questions are all based around Scripture which tell us how it is meant to be understood.

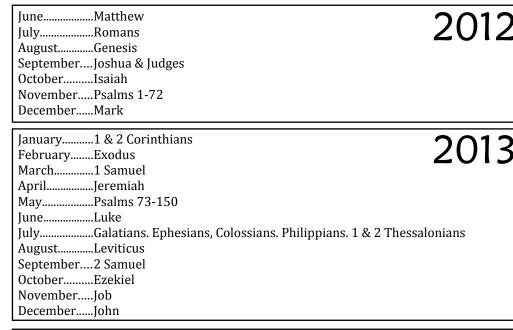
Why run RBT groups like this?

The first thing we need to remember is that the Bible is God's word. The God who speaks is all-knowing and all-powerful and he made us. Therefore, when the Bible says it is the Lord who speaks, we must show the Scripture the respect it demands and not come to it controlling its meaning (2 Timothy 3:16).

The Bible says it is all about Jesus (Luke 24:27). The Bible is written for us. Ask the author! You need to pray that God will give his Spirit to help you understand (1 Corinthians 2). The Bible is not impossible for us to understand - it makes the simple wise. The Bible should be understood in such a way that we can talk naturally and easily about it in every situation (Deut 6-7). It is written for us to obey and be built up. It is written to build up the church.

Each month, we will read the allocated book or books, asking the 7 questions. It doesn't matter if you read things that you don't understand. You might want to make a note of things that puzzle you. As we go on through the book or through the rest of the bible, most of these puzzles will become clear.

At the end of each month, there will be a feedback meeting when we can get together and share what we have learned and loved about the bible we have been reading.



JanuaryHebrews	2014
FebruaryNumbers March1 Kings	2017
AprilHosea, Joel, Amos, Obadiah, Jonah, Micah	
MayProverbs	
JuneActs	
JulyJames, 1 & 2 Peter, 1, 2 & 3 John, Jude	
AugustDeuteronomy	
September2 Kings	
OctoberNahum, Habbakuk, Zephaniah, Haggai, Zechariah, Malachi	
NovemberEsther, Ruth, Lamentations, Daniel	
DecemberEzra & Nehemiah	

January......1 Chronicles February......2 Chronicles March......1 & 2 Timothy, Titus, Philemon April.....Ecclesiastes & Song of Solomon May.....Revelation June.....Concluding review

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