

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.

June.....Matthew	2012
July.....Romans	
August.....Genesis	
September....Joshua & Judges	
October.....Isaiah	
November....Psalms 1-72	
December.....Mark	

January.....1 & 2 Corinthians	2013
February.....Exodus	
March.....1 Samuel	
April.....Jeremiah	
May.....Psalms 73-150	
June.....Luke	
July.....Galatians. Ephesians, Colossians. Philippians. 1 & 2 Thessalonians	
August.....Leviticus	
September....2 Samuel	
October.....Ezekiel	
November....Job	
December.....John	

January.....Hebrews	2014
February.....Numbers	
March.....1 Kings	
April.....Hosea, Joel, Amos, Obadiah, Jonah, Micah	
May.....Proverbs	
June.....Acts	
July.....James, 1 & 2 Peter, 1, 2 & 3 John, Jude	
August.....Deuteronomy	
September....2 Kings	
October.....Nahum, Habbakuk, Zephaniah, Haggai, Zechariah, Malachi	
November....Esther, Ruth, Lamentations, Daniel	
December.....Ezra & Nehemiah	

January.....1 Chronicles	2015
February.....2 Chronicles	
March.....1 & 2 Timothy, Titus, Philemon	
April.....Ecclesiastes & Song of Solomon	
May.....Revelation	
June.....Concluding review	