

# 18-19 Bible Study #1

9/11/18

# Introduction to 2018 – 2019 Bible Study (The Pentateuch)

9/12/18

# Administrative Information

- The Bible Study Class will be presented in the parish hall every Tuesday morning from **9:30 A.M. until 11 A.M.** beginning **September 11, 2018** and ending **May 14, 2019** except for the following Tuesdays related to a holiday:
  - Nov 20, 2018 – Thanksgiving Week
  - Dec 25, 2018 – Christmas
  - Jan 1, 2019 - New Year's Day
  - Apr 16, 2019 – Holy Week
- The same class will be given every Tuesday evening from **7:30 until 9:00 P.M.** in the parish hall
- Contact info: email: [biblestudy@straymonds.org](mailto:biblestudy@straymonds.org) ; Tel: 703 644-5873
- Inclement weather decision will be **based on Fairfax County Public School announcements**

# Administrative Information (Cont)

- Please sign in with your name, telephone number, and “print” your e-mail
- I will automatically forward you a copy of the class charts via e-mail every week
- I will forward prayer requests from the group upon receipt
- Anyone who wishes may record the presentation
- Any version of the bible is acceptable – I will use the *RSV Catholic Edition*
- Although we will not follow a specific text, it will be centered around Jeff Cavins’ **Great Adventure Bible Timeline Series** \*

# Administrative Information (Cont)

## My Background

Methodist

Wake Forest College 1962

Joined the Catholic Church 1975

CCD Catechist 1980 - 1997

MA in Theology (discipline in Scripture) NDGS of  
Christendom College 1999

Co-DRE at St Raymond's 1997-2005

Presented Bible Study & RCIA for over 15 years

# Administrative Information (Cont)

- Overview of this course:
  - Beginning this fall we will continue a study of the first five books of the Bible known as: the **Law of Moses**, the **Pentateuch**, or the **Torah**. We will begin with a review of **Genesis 1-36** (discussed last year) then follow with the historical aspects of the rest of the Pentateuch
- Please feel free to ask questions during or after the presentation, or via email

# Prayer Requests

- **Poor Clares – 703 768 4918** Alexandria, VA - leave a message on recorder
- **Dominican Sisters -540 635 3982** Linden, VA - speak to a sister
- **Donations are welcome, as well as needed**

# My Professors

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- Tim Gray, PhD
- Father Sebastian A. Carnazzo, PhD



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# Bible Study Aids

Timeline Charts @ \$5.00

Map Books @ \$8.00

Best Old Testament summary:

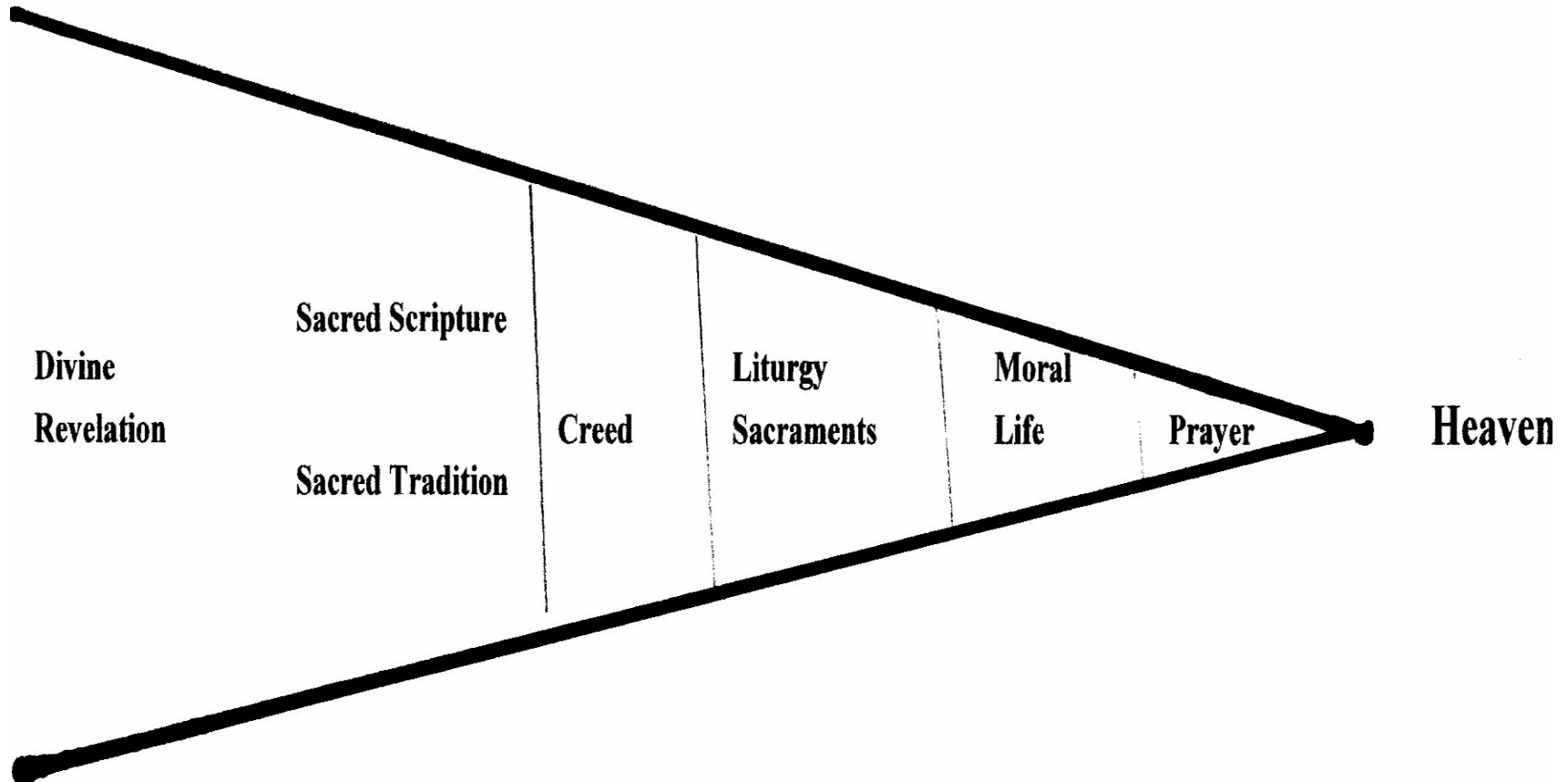
**Scott Hahn *A Father Who Keeps His Promises***

# Why Bible Study?

- Why should anyone read/study or meditate on the Bible ?
- To encounter Jesus, the “Christ”, as your personal Lord and savior
- To read the greatest love story ever written \*

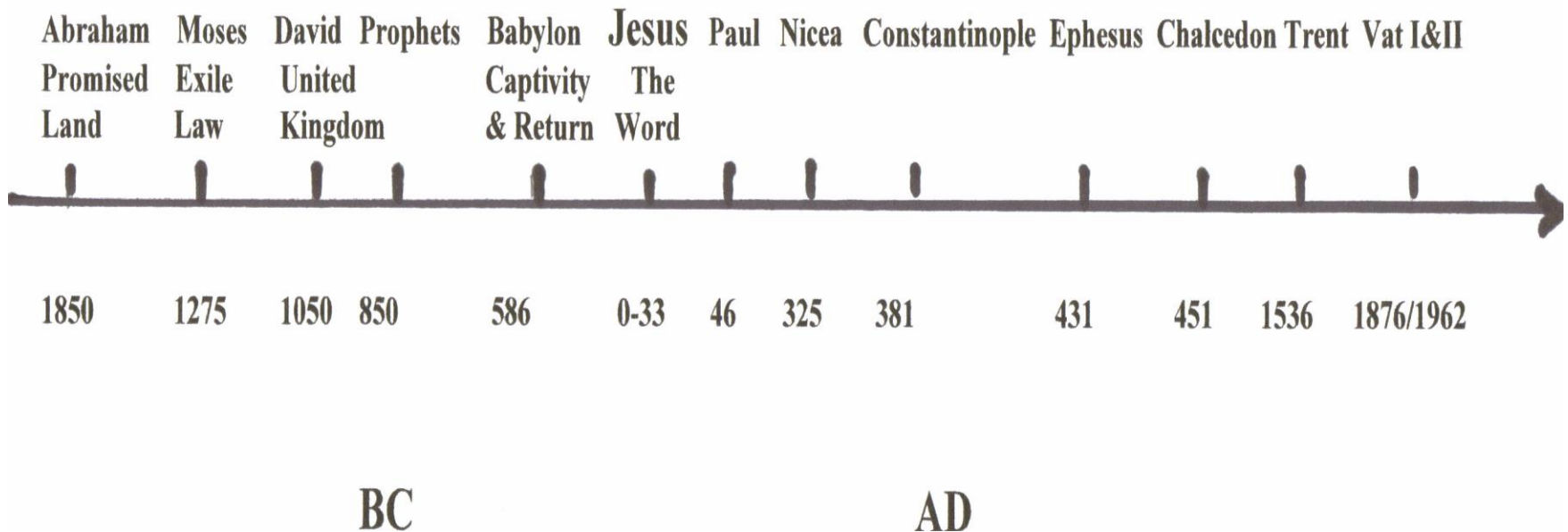
# Transmission of the Revelation

## The Transmission of the Divine Revelation within the Church



# God's Divine Plan

## God's Divine Plan of Salvation History – (*Economea*)



# The Explosion of Christianity

- 12 Apostles
  - Grew to over
- 2.18 Billion Christians
  - In the World by
    - 2010

# Overview of Bible Study

- The Early Church and Patristic influence
- Modern Protestant Dominance
  - Form Criticism
  - Source Criticism
  - Demythologization of the New Testament
  - Search for the Historical Jesus
  - Jesus Seminar
- **Narrative Criticism**
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# Dangers of cults based on the Bible

- 7<sup>th</sup> Day Adventists
- Jehovah Witness
- Mormons
- Millennialism
- James Jones
- David Koresh

# A few popular ways of participating in Bible Study

- Small discussion groups
- CD or textbook followed by group discussion
- Formal classroom lecture/conference

# Catholic Bible Study Criteria

- What is the Bible and why should we read/and or study it?
  - It contains **God's Divine Plan** (*Economea*) for man
  - It helps us understand the "Kingdom of God"
    - On earth
    - In purgatory
    - In Heaven

# Catholic Bible Study Criteria (Cont)

- **How, as Catholics, is the Sacred Scripture to be read?**
  - Inspired and infallible
  - Containing three criteria for its interpretation
    - Content and unity of whole Scripture
    - Living tradition of the whole Church as interpreted by the *Magisterium*
    - Analogy of Faith
- **Lectio Divina\***
- Possessing **four senses of Scripture**
  - **Literal** – who, what, when, where, how
  - **Allegorical** – as related to Jesus
  - **Moral** – as related to our moral lives
  - **Anagogical** – as related to leading us to heaven
- **Christocentric**

# Catholic Bible Study Criteria (Cont)

- God has chosen to reveal Himself:
  - From within the Trinity
  - In His truth - *veritas*
- There are many ways to study sacred scripture
  - Looking at the scripture through the lens of history is just one of them
- As Catholics we are guided in scripture study by **paragraph 101-141 of the *Catechism of the Catholic Church***
- New *Compendium of the CCC* \* summarizes these paragraphs by asking and answering the following questions:

# Catholic Bible Study Criteria (Cont)

- Why and in what way is the divine revelation transmitted?
  - Christ commanded that the apostles “Go forth and teach the gospel to all nations”
- What is Apostolic Tradition ?
  - The transmitted message of Christ by means of preaching, bearing witness, institutions, worship and inspired writings
- In what ways does Apostolic Tradition occur?
  - Through the living transmission of the word of God and Sacred Scriptures which is the same proclamation in written form

# Catholic Bible Study Criteria (Cont)

- What is Sacred Tradition and its the relationship to Sacred Scripture?
  - Both are bound closely together and communicate one with the other as they flow out of the same well-spring
- To whom is the deposit of faith entrusted?
  - The Apostles - who then entrusted the deposit of faith through their successors to the whole Church
- To whom is given the task of authentically interpreting the deposit of faith?
  - The living teaching office of the Church alone, that is the successors of Peter, the Bishop of Rome, and to the bishops in communion with him (the *Magesterium*)

# Important Dates to Keep in mind

- **5000 BC creation of Adam and Eve**
- **3000 BC Noah and the Flood**
- **2500 BC Tower of Babel**
- **2000 BC Abraham**
- 1500 BC Moses
- 1000 BC David
- 500 BC Exile to Babylon



# Development of the Bible

- The books of both the Old Testament and New Testament came about in the following manner:
  - Originally passed on orally
  - Written down in scrolls that were copied and distributed to synagogues and churches
    - Old Testament Scribes
    - Essenes
    - Monks
- These scrolls were eventually collected into what became “the Bible”
  - Greek Septuagint
  - Hebrew Bible

# The Bible

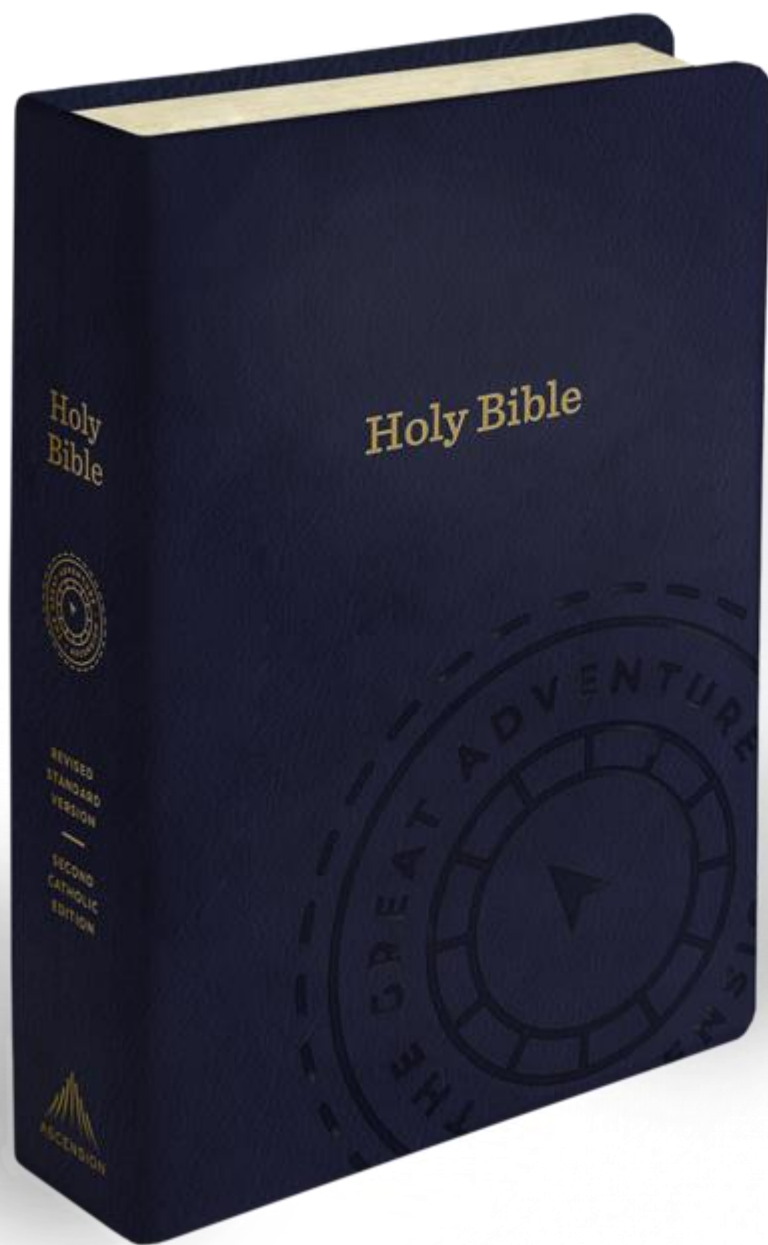
- The Word of God (Catholic edition of the Bible – 73 Books)
  - OT – The Greek *Septuagint* - 46 books
    - Pentateuch – 5
    - Historical – 16
    - Wisdom – 7
    - Prophets – 18
  - NT – 27 books
    - Gospels – 4
    - Acts of the Apostles – 1
    - Epistles – 21
    - Revelation - 1

# Bible Translations

- Dewey Rheims
- King James
- **Revise Standard Version (RSV)**
- New English
- Jerusalem
- New American

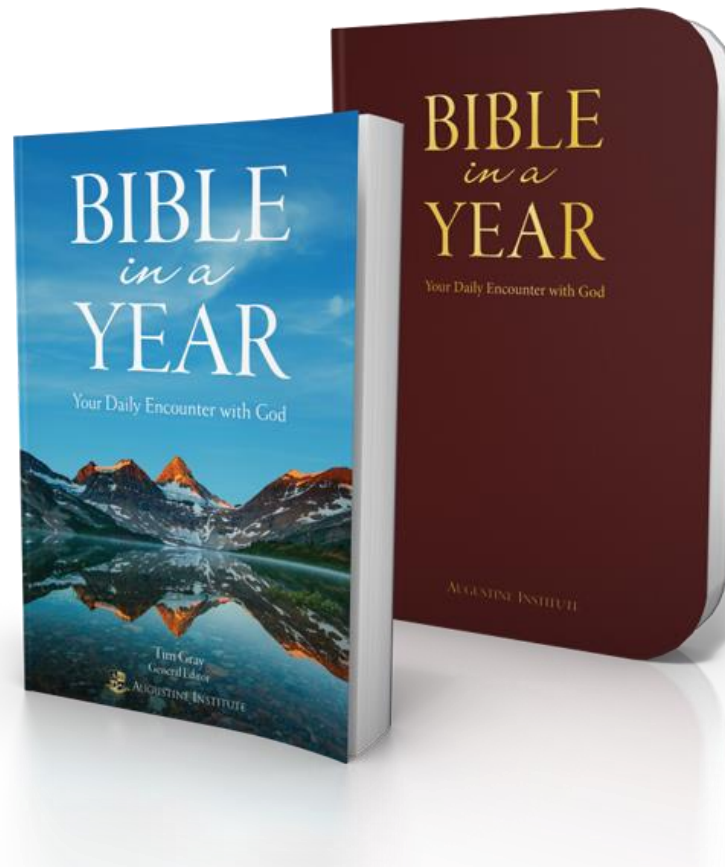
# Bible Translations (Cont)

- New International Version
- Good News for Modern Man
- The Living Bible: The Way
- The Great Adventure Catholic Bible (Ascension Press) \$59.95



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# READING THROUGH THE BIBLE HISTORICALLY

## THREE-MONTH READING PLAN

### MONTH #1 (31 DAYS):

#### Early World

- \_\_\_ 1. Gen. 1-4
- \_\_\_ 2. Gen. 5-8
- \_\_\_ 3. Gen. 9-11

#### Patriarchs

- \_\_\_ 4. Gen. 12-16
- \_\_\_ 5. Gen. 17-20
- \_\_\_ 6. Gen. 21-24
- \_\_\_ 7. Gen. 25-28
- \_\_\_ 8. Gen. 29-32

- \_\_\_ 9. Gen. 33-36
- \_\_\_ 10. Gen. 37-40
- \_\_\_ 11. Gen. 41-45
- \_\_\_ 12. Gen. 46-50

#### Egypt and Exodus

- \_\_\_ 13. Ex. 1-4
- \_\_\_ 14. Ex. 5-8
- \_\_\_ 15. Ex. 9-12
- \_\_\_ 16. Ex. 13-16
- \_\_\_ 17. Ex. 17-20

- \_\_\_ 18. Ex. 21-24
- \_\_\_ 19. Ex. 25-28
- \_\_\_ 20. Ex. 29-32
- \_\_\_ 21. Ex. 33-36
- \_\_\_ 22. Ex. 37-40

#### Desert Wanderings

- \_\_\_ 23. Num. 1-4
- \_\_\_ 24. Num. 5-8
- \_\_\_ 25. Num. 9-12
- \_\_\_ 26. Num. 13-16

- \_\_\_ 27. Num. 17-20
- \_\_\_ 28. Num. 21-24
- \_\_\_ 29. Num. 25-28
- \_\_\_ 30. Num. 29-32
- \_\_\_ 31. Num. 33-36

### MONTH #2 (29 DAYS):

#### Conquest and Judges

- \_\_\_ 1. Josh. 1-4
- \_\_\_ 2. Josh. 5-8
- \_\_\_ 3. Josh. 9-12
- \_\_\_ 4. Josh. 13-16
- \_\_\_ 5. Josh. 17-20
- \_\_\_ 6. Josh. 21-24
- \_\_\_ 7. Judg. 1-4
- \_\_\_ 8. Judg. 5-8
- \_\_\_ 9. Judg. 9-11
- \_\_\_ 10. Judg. 12-14

- \_\_\_ 11. Judg. 15-17
- \_\_\_ 12. Judg. 18-21
- \_\_\_ 13. I Sam. 1-4
- \_\_\_ 14. I Sam. 5-8
- \_\_\_ 15. I Sam. 9-12

#### Royal Kingdom

- \_\_\_ 16. I Sam. 13-16
- \_\_\_ 17. I Sam. 17-20
- \_\_\_ 18. I Sam. 21-24
- \_\_\_ 19. I Sam. 25-28

- \_\_\_ 20. I Sam. 29-31
- \_\_\_ 21. II Sam. 1-4
- \_\_\_ 22. II Sam. 5-8
- \_\_\_ 23. II Sam. 9-12
- \_\_\_ 24. II Sam. 13-16
- \_\_\_ 25. II Sam. 17-20
- \_\_\_ 26. II Sam. 21-24

- \_\_\_ 27. I Kings 1-4
- \_\_\_ 28. I Kings 5-8
- \_\_\_ 29. I Kings 9-11

### MONTH #3 (31 DAYS):

#### Divided Kingdom

- \_\_\_ 1. I Kings 12-15
- \_\_\_ 2. I Kings 16-19
- \_\_\_ 3. I Kings 20-22

- \_\_\_ 4. II Kings 1-4
- \_\_\_ 5. II Kings 5-8
- \_\_\_ 6. II Kings 9-12
- \_\_\_ 7. II Kings 13-16

#### Exile

- \_\_\_ 8. II Kings 17-20
- \_\_\_ 9. II Kings 21-25

#### Return

- \_\_\_ 10. Ezra 1-5

- \_\_\_ 11. Ezra 6-10
- \_\_\_ 12. Neh. 1-4
- \_\_\_ 13. Neh. 5-8
- \_\_\_ 14. Neh. 9-13

#### Maccabean Revolt

- \_\_\_ 15. I Macc. 1-4
- \_\_\_ 16. I Macc. 5-8
- \_\_\_ 17. I Macc. 9-12
- \_\_\_ 18. I Macc. 13-16

#### Messianic Fulfillment

- \_\_\_ 19. Luke 1-4
- \_\_\_ 20. Luke 5-8
- \_\_\_ 21. Luke 9-12
- \_\_\_ 22. Luke 13-16

- \_\_\_ 23. Luke 17-20
- \_\_\_ 24. Luke 21-24

#### Church

- \_\_\_ 25. Acts 1-4
- \_\_\_ 26. Acts 5-8
- \_\_\_ 27. Acts 9-12
- \_\_\_ 28. Acts 13-16
- \_\_\_ 29. Acts 17-20
- \_\_\_ 30. Acts 21-24
- \_\_\_ 31. Acts 25-28

# My Bible Study Plan

- The Pentateuch
- A review of the rest of Old Testament
- Introduction to the New Testament
- The Synoptic Gospels
- The Acts of the Apostles and the Letters of St Paul
- The Johannine Corpus
  - The Gospel of John
  - The Letters of John
  - The Book of Revelation