

<p>Shrewsbury Evangelical Church Bible Reading Scheme</p>

“All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness” (2 Timothy 3:16).

This reading scheme is designed to help you grow in your love, knowledge and understanding of the Lord and his Word.

If you follow it, you will complete the whole Bible in five years.

There will be five readings each week rather than seven. This means that there should be sufficient time to read each passage during a busy week. Do not worry if you fall behind, just go to the readings for the current week and day.

The scheme begins in May 2011 and therefore, God willing, should run its course by the end of April 2016. But you can ‘jump into’ this reading scheme any time you like!

- Pray before you begin that the Holy Spirit would help you understand and obey his Word. These words are spirit, and they are life (John 6:63).
- Remember too that others will be reading this portion of God’s Word at the same time.
- Read through the passage for the day.
- For each day, the reference is followed by some explanatory notes (in normal font) and some questions (in italics). Use these to stimulate your thinking. You may, if you have time, wish to look at other passages that are referred to.
- When you have finished reading, think through the main lessons of the reading and use them as a basis for praying.
- As opportunity allows, share your thoughts and questions with other brothers and sisters in Christ.
- Hide God’s Word in your heart, memorise the key passage(s) – stick them up on your fridge if you want to!

May the Lord encourage and bless you as you carefully search his Word.

‘Nobody ever outgrows Scripture; the book widens and deepens with our years.’ (CH Spurgeon, 1834-92)