



Sabbath School Curriculum

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THE IMPORTANCE OF THE SABBATH SCHOOL

“There are but very few persons, probably, who duly appreciate the importance of the Sabbath School work. We must fix our minds upon it, awake our attention to it, measure its proportions and study it well, before we can see it in anything like the greatness to which it has attained...What immeasurable good may it yet accomplish? What dangers may stand in its way? What perversions of it may be made by the great enemy? These are questions of transcendent importance. If we are wise, we shall awake to this subject and look at it with the keenest attention.

We shall do it now. There is no time to be lost.”

Pastoral Theology, Thomas Murphy

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INTRODUCTION

THE AIMS

Realising that children are born in sin and ‘shapen in iniquity’ it is our desire that this curriculum will be used of God in the **evangelisation** of children from both Christian and non-Christian homes.

Convinced that children can be born again and indwelt by the Holy Spirit it is our desire that this curriculum will be used of God in the **edification** of believing children who need to grow in the grace and knowledge of the Lord Jesus Christ.

In order to achieve these aims the task of the Sabbath School teacher, using this curriculum as a guide, is to present Christ in all the Scriptures.

THE GOVERNING PRINCIPLES

Our local churches are marked by great diversity in the practice of Sabbath School instruction. It is our desire that this curriculum will be of benefit to all the churches in our denomination. In our work we have sought to keep in mind the various responses we received from the survey we distributed. We have sought to make the curriculum **adaptable** to churches irrespective of the size of their Sabbath School or the number of teaching weeks.

Central to our planning was the belief that the curriculum should ensure there is both **progression** and **repetition** in what is taught.

We have also sought to integrate the topics with the teaching of the Catechisms and the memorisation of Scripture. Luke speaks of Theophilus being ‘instructed’ in Luke 1v4: the word used being that from which ‘Catechism’ is derived. The Psalmist encourages the child of God by way of example: ‘Thy word have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against thee.’ (Psalms 119:11)

THE OVERALL PLAN (See Appendix 1)

The Curriculum is divided into three sections. There is an initial 5 year course, covering Primary 1-5 students. The questions of the Child’s catechism were used to determine the areas to be taught. This ensures that all students will go

through the main historical sections of biblical history. We acknowledge that some familiar stories could be allocated much more time. However the purpose of these initial years is to give an overview, avoid the same stories being covered every year and help the student see the context of the Catechism they are learning. Some of our churches are blessed with children attending the Sabbath School from outside the church families. However, it is the case that these children tend to drift away in the later Primary school years. As such we feel that it is important to survey the whole Bible over these initial years.

Section 2 covers Primary 6 through Year 9 in Secondary School. Each of these years includes areas of study that are crucial in the growth of the young believer, as well as giving opportunities to remind the lost of the way of salvation. These years are designed to build on the material of Section 1 in greater detail and depth.

Section 3, covering Years 10-12 in Secondary School includes a 2 year course on the Shorter Catechism along with a suggested one year course covering the ethics of family, church and work.

Within each year are seasonal topics for Christmas and Easter. This ensures that every year there is specific teaching on the birth, death and resurrection of the Saviour. (See Appendix 2).

YEARS 1-5

We present a syllabus for Years 1-5 which we believe will be beneficial to the teachers and the children; and which can be adapted for use by all our churches, if they so choose. We realise that each church may amend and implement the curriculum in a way suitable to their own needs. In the course of implementation we anticipate churches will see ways in which the curriculum could be improved upon. Please let us know as we seek to build upon this foundational document.

For a larger Sabbath School, with one or more classes per school year, these years simply progress in parallel with school year. For the smaller Sabbath schools we suggest these years are used in a cyclical fashion. (Years 6-9 can also be implemented in a similar fashion.) In these Sabbath Schools a typical class will consist of

pupils from more than one school year. In this instance we recommend the 5 years are covered in rotation. Thus if the curriculum is implemented this year a new 4-year old student will start with Year 1 but a new student the following year would start with Year 2 and so on. Whilst this is not ideal we feel it is the best way to ensure that students in smaller Sabbath schools cover the full 5 year syllabus hence experiencing the overview of Biblical history and ensuring less familiar areas are covered. The implementation of this may require some restructuring of existing classes but with time the course should run smoothly.

The syllabus for each year consists of 32 weeks of lesson topics. Some churches hold teaching weeks for this number of weeks. Others will teach during more weeks of the year. Those churches will be able to give more than one week for some of the topics, or teach on additional selected topics (e.g. famous missionaries) at their discretion. Once again we have aimed at producing something that is **adaptable**. Along with the topic there is a suggested 'Main lesson aim.' This is to aid the teacher in seeking to be focused in the teaching of the story. These aims are simply suggestions but we trust they will be helpful. For each week there is also a Catechism and Scripture memorisation assigned.

- The Catechism has been divided into 5 sections with the stories covered in each year corresponding to the section of the Catechism being learned. This means approximately 25 catechisms are learned each year. Whilst we have collated revision weeks at the end of the year, these review weeks could be placed throughout the year at the teacher's discretion. Such will help in the long-term retention of the Catechism. It should be noted that we have not included the doctrinal section of the Child's Catechism. We would encourage teachers to include this at their discretion, perhaps for the more able student.
- We have given only 6 texts for memorisation in each year. **We feel that this should be viewed as a minimum** and more able students will be able to, and should be encouraged to learn more. However we felt it important to promote the thorough retention of a few vital texts, rather than a superficial learning of a larger number. We suggest that these texts be taught and learned in the class, remembering that for some children there may be minimal support at home. At the end of the five years these young children

will have learned and retained 30 Bible texts. Extended bible portions have been included in the 2nd phase.

- The Catechism and Bible texts for memorisation are placed alongside the week in which they should be taught and then should be reviewed the following week along with teaching the new catechism and text.
- Teachers will also understand the importance of teaching the books of the Bible and we would strongly encourage that teachers give time through the years to reinforce this.

At this point we have not developed detailed lesson plans. There is great variation within our churches as to the time allocated for Sabbath school. We are aware that some teachers enjoy and cherish the independence of preparing and bringing the lesson in a way they are comfortable with. We would not want to restrict the exercising of individual gift. Each class will also vary as to ability and background knowledge so the teacher will have to prepare a lesson tailored to the individual class. We believe that it is of great benefit to the children if the teachers study through the portion of Scripture to be taught and develop their own notes.

We do appreciate that teachers, like Ministers, benefit from helps in their preparation. Many of the churches that responded to our survey are using the 'Lessons for Life' books by Mrs Jill Masters (Wakeman). Hence we have, where applicable, given cross-references to these resources. In the syllabus these references are in the form #[book number]: [page number]. i.e. #1: 34 is a reference to Book 1, page 34. Where there is no corresponding topic covered in the books you will see 'n/a.' There are some instances where the topic covered in 'Lessons for Life' is not precisely equivalent but helpful material may still be found.

Weeks 29-32 (31+32 for Years 4+5) contain the lessons related to the nativity and Easter themes. If desired, these should be rearranged to fit the appropriate time of year.

As there is less material to cover in Year 1 than other years we have included some of Christ's miracles and parables. As for all the years the topics may be rearranged if that is felt to be beneficial.

Year 4 has no specific Christmas topics as they are covered in the general scheme for that year.

This year also includes some studies on the Lord's encounters with people in the gospels. Similarly Year 5 has no specific weeks assigned for the Easter themes but the schedule could be rearranged to suit as necessary.

YEARS 6-9

It would be envisaged that these years run as Phase 2 of the overall curriculum. These years are aimed at those in school years 6-9. As for years 1-5 it is envisaged that smaller Sabbath schools with classes consisting of children of various ages would rotate through these years. All students would therefore complete all years but not necessarily in the same order.

In this phase the lessons are not derived from the Shorter Catechism therefore we feel that the catechisms should be learned in a consecutive fashion. As such the catechism schedule is tabled separately from the lesson syllabus in Appendix 3.

Scripture memory work consists of fuller bible passages. These have been selected on the basis of ease of memory and importance of the themes addressed. This memory schedule is also listed separately in Appendix 4. Two portions have been suggested for each year. It would again be down to the discretion of each teacher to determine how much each child could learn and how quickly to cover the verses. We would envisage that every child would at least memorise the first of the suggested portions.

YEARS 10+11

As per Appendix 1 it is the recommendation of the committee that students in school years 10+11 are given instruction in the Shorter Catechism. We are grateful to Rev. David Park for providing the notes of a class he formerly taught in the Whitefield College of the Bible. These notes have been amended slightly and organised into 64 lessons. They do not cover every Catechism but are a thorough overview of the doctrines contained in the Catechism. It would be our recommendation that this class be taught, where possible, by the minister or a designated elder. Other study guides to the Catechism are readily available to help with the teaching of the class. Due to space the notes for these classes are not included in this draft but are available on request

from Rev. Stephen Pollock (Stephen.Pollock@freepresbyterian.org).

YEAR 12

By school year 12 many churches have students in a bible class or in an adult bible class. However it is the mind of the committee to include a year of practical subjects which could run separately or in rotation with Years 10+11. Suggested topics to cover are:

- The Church of Jesus Christ- its organisation, government and tasks.
- The Christian Home- God's plan for marriage and the raising of children.
- The Christian Sabbath- A Creation ordinance, its observance and the change of day.
- The Christian Work ethic.
- Medical ethics in a fallen world- abortion, euthanasia, depression and suicide.

It would again be the intention that notes will be provided to those interested from Rev. Stephen Pollock.

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Year ONE Weekly Schedule

WK	Bible Lesson Topic	Main Lesson Aim	Lessons for Life	Scripture Memory	Catechism
1	Creation as the work of God and out of nothing (Gen. 1, Heb. 11v3)	God's eternal power	#1: 36-41	Gen. 1v1	1. Who was the first man?
2	The Days of creation (Gen. 1)	God's glory in creation beauty	#1: 38-44		2. Who was the first woman?
3	God rested on the 7th Day. (Gen. 2v1-3)	Sabbath institution	#1: 44		3. Of what was Adam made?
4	Man as the pinnacle of God's creation (Gen. 1v26-31, 2v7, 2v18-23)	Man as a living soul-made to know God	#1: 43-45		4. Where did God put Adam and Eve after He made them?
5	The Provision of God in the garden and the command (Gen. 2v8-17)	God's generosity and authority	#1: 43-45		5. What sin did Adam and Eve commit there?
6	The Temptation of Eve and the Fall (Gen. 3v1-7)	Sin as transgression of God's law	#1: 44-51	Gen. 1v27	6. How were they punished?
7	God comes to the Garden- excuses and punishments (Gen. 3v8-24)	Sin in the sight of God	#1: 44-51		7. What promise did God give them?
8	The Promise of the Saviour. (Gen. 3v15)	God's one plan of salvation	#1: 50-51		8. Who was Adam and Eve's eldest son?
9	Cain and Abel- jobs and offerings (Gen. 4v1-16)	Work and right worship	#1: 51-55		9. What was he?
10	Cain and Abel- anger and death (Gen. 4v1-16)	The immediate signs of sin	#1: 51-55		10. Who was their second son?
11	The Birth of Seth and calling on the Lord (Gen. 4v25+26)	Grace of God as man calls upon Him	n/a	Gen. 2v17	11. What was he?
12	The Days before Noah (Enoch) (Gen. 5)	Walking with God	#1: 55-57		12. What did Cain do to Adam?
13	The wickedness of the World (Gen. 6v1-13)	Sin affects man in every way	#1: 55-57		13. Why did he kill him?
14	Noah- a man favoured of God (Gen. 6v8+9)	Walking with God, by grace, in wicked days	#1: 57		14. Who was Seth?
15	The Warning & the Ark (Gen. 6)	God's patience and provision of salvation	#1: 57-59		15. Who was the oldest man?
16	The Flood comes (Gen. 7)	God judges sin	#1: 57-59	Gen. 3v15	16. How was the world once destroyed?
17	The Waters depart (Gen. 8v1-19)	Safety in the Ark (Christ our refuge)	#1: 57-59		17. Why was the flood sent?

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18	Noah's sacrifice and the rainbow (Gen. 8v20- 9v17)	God's preservation of the world for the coming of Christ	#1: 57-59		18. Who was saved from the flood?
19	Babel- pride & confusion (Gen. 11v1-9)	Man as under God's dominion	n/a		19. How were they saved?
20	Christ's miracles: The Storm (Mark 4v35-41)	The Lord's Deity and power	#1: 17-21		20. Were any other creatures saved?
21	Christ's miracles: The Raising of Jairus' daughter (Mark 5v21-43)	Christ alone gives life	#1: 21-24	Gen. 9v16	21. Name the sons of Noah.
22	Christ's miracles: Blind Bartimaeus (Mark 10v46-52)	Christ gives spiritual sight	#1: 31-34		22. How did Noah learn that the flood was going away?
23	Christ's miracles: The Healing of the Leper (Matt. 8v1-4)	Saved from sin	#3: 229-232		23. How long was Noah in the Ark?
24	Christ's parables: The Sower and the Soil (Mark 4v1-20)	Only a good heart brings forth fruit	#3: 42-48		24. Why did people try to build the tower of Babel?
25	Christ's parables: The Lost sheep and coin (Luke 15v1-10)	Joy in heaven when a sinner repents	#2: 136-144		25. How were they stopped in their work?
26	Christ's parables: The Prodigal Son (Luke 15v11-24)	The Father's love	#2: 144-151	Luke 4v4	Review Q1-6
27	Christ's parables: The Good Samaritan (Luke 10:25-37)	Being a neighbour	#2: 156-161		Review Q7-12
28	Christ's parables: The Pharisee & the Publican (Luke 18v9-14)	How to be saved	#2: 166-169		Review Q13-19
29	Christmas: The Genealogy of Jesus (Matt. 1v1-17, Luke 3v23-38)	The promised Messiah- Son of Abraham, Son of David	#3: 196-199		Review Q20-25
30	Christmas: Zechariah & Elizabeth. John's birth (Luke 1v5-25, 57-80)	The Lord over history prepares the way for Christ	#3: 11-16		Review Q1-12
31	Easter theme: Entrance into Jerusalem, 'Hosanna' (Matt. 21v1-17)	Christ is King	#4: 82-86		Review Q13-25
32	Easter: The Upper Room- feet washing & Judas (John 13v1-30)	True and false	n/a		Review Q1-25

Year TWO Weekly Schedule

WK	Bible Lesson Topic	Main Lesson Aim	Lessons for Life	Scripture Memory	Catechism
1	Abraham- Call, promises, Egypt (Gen. 12)	God's promise to bless (Gal.3v14ff-Christ in OT promises)	#1: 122-125	Gal. 3v6	26. What cities were destroyed for their wickedness?
2	Abraham + Lot (Gen. 13)	Making good choices	#1: 129-134		27. How were they destroyed?
3	Abraham- promise confirmed, visit of the Lord and responses (Gen. 15-18)	God able to bring about the impossible to do His will	#1: 122-125		28. Were any saved?
4	Abraham- Sodom & Gomorrah (1) (Gen. 18)	Justice re sin and intercession	n/a		29. What became of Lot's wife?
5	Abraham- Sodom & Gomorrah (2) (Gen. 19)	Deliverance from the wrath of God	#1: 132-134		30. Who was Abraham?
6	Abraham- Hagar & Ishmael (Gen. 16+21)	God's purposes in covenant faithfulness and His mercy	n/a	John 1v29	31. How did he show his faith and obedience?
7	Abraham- test of faith (Gen. 22)	Obedience and Substitution	#1: 126-129		32. Who were Isaac's sons?
8	Isaac & Rebekah (Gen. 24)	God's sovereign direction in the working out of His will	#1: 135-139		33. How many sons had Jacob?
9	Isaac's sons and birthright (Gen. 25v19-34)	The danger of wrong priorities	#1: 139-143		34. Which of them was hated by his brethren?
10	Isaac's sons and blessing (Gen. 27)	Deceit and yet God in control	#1: 139-143		35. What did they do to him?
11	Jacob's dream (Gen. 28v10-22)	God presents Jacob with the gospel	#1: 143-148	2 Cor. 1v20	36. Did he continue a slave in Egypt?
12	Jacob's family (Gen. 29-30)	Lessons re work and family	n/a		37. Did he take revenge on his brothers for selling him?
13	Jacob wrestles with the Lord and meets Esau (Gen. 32-33)	God's grace in sanctifying Jacob; prayer	#1: 148-151		38. What were the children of Jacob called?
14	Jacob's household and love for Joseph (Gen. 35+37)	The Blessings and challenges of family life	#1: 151-157		39. What brought the Israelites to Egypt?
15	Joseph's dreams and sold into Egypt (Gen. 37)	God's plan and providence- even in acts of wicked men	#1: 151-157		40. What happened to them there?
16	Joseph- Potiphar and then prison (Gen. 39)	Faithfulness to God wherever we are	#1: 157-159	Gen. 50v20	41. Whom did God send to deliver them?

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17	Joseph- Butler & Baker (Gen. 40)	God's grace and mercy	#1: 159-161		42. Was God willing to let them go?
18	Joseph- Pharaoh and promotion (Gen. 41)	Humiliation and exaltation	#1: 161-163		43. How did God make him willing?
19	Joseph's brothers first visit to Egypt (Gen. 42)	God's hand in providence	#1: 161-163		44. How were the first-born of the Israelites saved?
20	Joseph's brothers return to Egypt (Gen. 43)	God bringing them to repentance	#1: 163-166		45. What feast kept this in memory?
21	Joseph reveals himself & Jacob comes to Egypt (Gen. 44-46)	The faithfulness of God to His promises	#1: 163-166	Lam. 3v22-23	46. By what way did Moses lead the Israelites out of Egypt towards Canaan?
22	Joseph's death and hardship in Egypt (Gen. 50 + Exod. 1)	God prepares His people to return to the Promised Land	#2: 13-18		47. How were they guided?
23	Birth of Moses; flees Egypt (Exod. 2v1-22)	God's compassion to His people	#2: 17-23		48. How were they fed?
24	The Call of Moses (Exod. 3+4)	Who is the LORD?	#2: 23-27		49. In what wonderful way did God give them water?
25	Ten plagues (Exod. 5-10)	God's power in judgement	#2: 28-34		50. What did they receive at Mount Sinai?
26	Passover (Exod. 11+12)	When I see the blood...	#2: 35-39	Exod. 20v2	Review Q26-31
27	Red Sea (Exod. 14v5-31)	Salvation by God's power	#2: 44-47		Review Q32-38
28	Mount Sinai and Aaron's calf (Exod. 19+32)	Law of God and sin against law	#2: 102-107		Review Q39-43
29	Christmas: Angelic visits to Mary and Joseph (Matt. 1v18-25, Luke 1v26-38)	The Miracle of Christ's birth	#2: 57-60		Review Q44-50
30	Christmas: Baby born in Bethlehem (Luke 2v1-7)	He who was rich becomes poor	#3: 199		Review Q26-38
31	Easter: The Last supper (Matt. 26v26-30)	The death of Christ in symbols	n/a		Review Q39-50
32	Easter: The Garden of Gethsemane (Matt. 26v36-56)	The Lord's willingness to die for sinners	n/a		Review Q26-50

Year THREE Weekly Schedule

WK	Bible Lesson Topic	Main Lesson Aim	Lessons for Life	Scripture Memory	Catechism
1	Wilderness-murmurings; water and manna (Exod. 15v22-16v31)	God provides through Christ (show Christ in Rock and Manna)	#2: 47-52	John 1v14	51. What was the Tabernacle?
2	Tabernacle- purpose (Exod. 25v1-22)	God meets with His people; central place in camp	#2: 107-112		52. What great sin did the people commit while at Sinai?
3	Tabernacle- furniture (Exod. 25-27)	Seeing Christ in the Tabernacle	#2: 107-112		53. How long did they wander in the wilderness?
4	The Spies and Wilderness wanderings (Num. 13+14)	Disobedience and unbelief	#2: 113-117		54. Who led them into the promised land?
5	Death of Moses. Joshua and the Promised Land (Josh. 1-4)	God's work continues. Courage from the Lord	#2: 122-125		55. How did they enter it?
6	Rahab and Jericho (Josh. 2+7)	Obedience; faith; deliverance	#2: 184-187	Heb. 11v6	56. How were they governed after Joshua's time?
7	Ai and Achan's Sin (Josh. 7)	Sin's consequences	#2: 187-191		57. Name some of the Judges.
8	Conquest of land and compromise (Josh. 13)	Warnings about partial obedience	n/a		58. Who was the first king of Israel?
9	Gideon- called and conquest (Jdgs. 6v1-32 + 7)	Repentance and deliverance	#2: 191-196		59. The next?
10	Samson- overview (Jdgs. 13-16)	Strength from the Lord	n/a		60. What is he called?
11	Ruth and Naomi (Ruth)	Redemption	#2: 202-206	Eph. 1v7	61. Who was the next king?
12	Hannah and Samuel (1 Sam. 1-3)	Prayer; God's provision of a man	#2: 206-210		62. What is told us about him?
13	Saul- the first King and failures (1 Sam. 8+15)	Desire to be like the world + God's disapproval of disobedience	#2: 210-220		63. What did Solomon build?
14	David anointed and Goliath (1 Sam. 16v1-13 + 17)	Victory over enemy- pointing to Christ's victory	#3: 64-75		64. Who reigned after Solomon?
15	Saul's Jealous pursuit of David (1 Sam. 18-24 + 26)	Resistance of God's will	#3: 79-85		65. What happened in his reign?
16	David and Jonathan (1 Sam. 18v1-4, 19v1-7+20)	Faithful friendship	#3: 75-79	Prov. 18v24	66. Who was the first king of Israel after the division?

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WK	Bible Lesson Topic	Main Lesson Aim	Lessons for Life	Scripture Memory	Catechism
17	Saul's death & David King (1 Sam. 31- 2 Sam. 5)	A man after God's heart	#3: 85-87		67. How did he make them sin?
18	David's sin & repentance (2 Sam. 11-12v15 + Psa. 51)	Sin and repentance	#3: 90-101		68. Who was Elijah?
19	David and Absalom (2 Sam. 13-19)	Sorrow over an unbeliever's life and death	#3: 101-105		69. What punishment did he say would come on them for their sins?
20	Solomon's wisdom & temple (1 Kings 3, 7+8)	The Lord gives wisdom	#3: 108-112		70. Was it so?
21	Rehoboam and division of Kingdom (1 Kings 12v1-20)	Nature of religious departure	n/a	1 Pet. 1v23	71. How was Elijah fed during this time?
22	Jeroboam to Ahab (1 Kings 12-16)	Leaving the Lord and idolatry	#3: 157-160		72. Name any miracles he wrought?
23	Elijah- preserved (1 Kings 17)	God preserves His Word	#3: 161-162		73. What became of Elijah?
24	Elijah- victory on Carmel (1 Kings 18)	Show Calvary as display of God's power	#3: 163-168		74. Who was prophet in the room of Elijah?
25	Elijah- discouraged; restored and translated (1 Kings 19 + 2 Kings 2)	A believer's sorrow at wickedness; Lord's compassion	n/a		75. Where were the Jews carried captive?
26	Elisha- replaces Elijah; first miracles (2 Kings 2)	God continues His work through generations	n/a	1 John 1v7	76. Why were they carried captive?
27	Elisha and Naaman (2 Kings 5v1-19)	Picture of salvation	#3: 172-176		Review Q51-60
28	Captivity and exile (2 Chron. 36)	God does as He warns	#4: 65-67		Review Q61-70
29	Christmas: Angels and the Shepherds (Luke 2v8-20)	A day of good news	#2: 60-63		Review Q71-76
30	Christmas: The Baby in the Temple (Simeon & Anna) (Luke 2v21-39)	God's salvation comes in human flesh	n/a		Review Q51-63
31	Easter: Arrest and Jewish trial (Matt. 26v1-5, 47-68)	The Rejection of the Saviour	#4: 97-102		Review Q64-76
32	Easter- Pilate and Barabbas (Matt. 27v1-25)	The Idolatry of pleasing men	#4: 102-108		Review Q51-76

Year FOUR Weekly Schedule

WK	Bible Lesson Topic	Main Lesson Aim	Lessons for Life	Scripture Memory	Catechism
1	Daniel and his friends (Dan. 1)	Peer pressure and not being conformed to this world	#4: 123-131	Dan. 1v8	77. Who were cast into a fiery furnace?
2	The Friends and the fiery furnace (Dan. 3)	Flee from idolatry	#4: 129-131		78. Why?
3	Daniel and the lions' den (Dan. 6)	Faith in God	#4: 138-142		79. Who was cast into the den of lions?
4	Jonah runs (Jonah 1+2)	The test in obeying God in evangelism	n/a		80. Why?
5	Jonah obeys (Jonah 3+4)	The mercy of God to sinners	n/a	Jonah 2v9	81. Who was cast into the sea and saved by a great fish?
6	Zerubbabel, Ezra and the Temple rebuilt (Ezra)	The worship of God- its importance to God's people	n/a		82. Who led the Hebrews back into the Holy Land?
7	Nehemiah and the walls (Nehemiah)	Obedience in working for God	#4: 143-155		83. Name anything they did on their return.
8	Esther and Mordecai (Esther)	Courage in standing for God	n/a		84. Who was Esther?
9	Haman (Esther)	You reap what you sow	n/a		85. Who was the last of the OT prophets?
10	Malachi (esp. Ch.3)	Tithes and offerings	n/a	Rom. 12v1	86. How long did he live before Christ?
11	Time line of the Old and New Testaments	God's plan of salvation- an overview	n/a		87. When was Jesus Christ born?
12	Birth of Christ- when? (Luke 2v1-3)	The timing of God's plan (Gal.4v4)	#3: 196-201		88. Where was He born?
13	Jesus- born of Mary (Luke 1v26-38)	Miraculous birth of a sinless Saviour	#3: 196-201		89. Who was His mother?
14	Birth of Christ- where? (Luke 2v1-7)	The Royal line of David	#3: 196-201		90. Who announced the birth of Jesus?
15	The angels and the shepherds (Luke 2v8-20)	The birth of Christ is good news to all people	#2: 60-63	Matt. 1v21	91. What did they bring?
16	The Wise Men come to worship (Matt. 2v1-12)	Seek and worship the Lord	#3: 201-205		92. Who came to worship the infant Saviour?

Year FOUR Weekly Schedule

WK	Bible Lesson Topic	Main Lesson Aim	Lessons for Life	Scripture Memory	Catechism
17	Herod and the death of the infants (Matt. 2v13-18)	Hatred for God's Saviour	#3: 201-205		93. How were they led to the place?
18	Jesus to Nazareth (Matt. 2v19-23)	God's purposes predicted and preserved	n/a		94. Who slew the young children?
19	Jesus in the Temple at 12 years old (Luke 2v40-50)	Instruction and learning	n/a		95. Why?
20	Jesus in the home (Luke 2v51+52)	Respect and obedience	n/a	Luke 2v52	96. How was Jesus preserved?
21	Jesus' ministry (Luke 4v18+19)	The Lord's care for sinners	n/a		97. What do we find Jesus doing when He was twelve years old?
22	John the Baptist- his birth (Luke 1v5-25, 57-80)	The Lord prepares the way for His will	#3: 11-16		98. What do we read of Him then?
23	John the Baptist- his message (John 1v29-36 + Mark 1v1-8)	Behold the Lamb of God	#3: 11-16		99. When did Jesus begin to preach?
24	John the Baptist- his death	Faithful unto death	n/a		100. Who prepared the way for Jesus?
25	People who met the Lord: Andrew and Peter (John 1v35-42)	Faith in Jesus	#3: 16-22		101. What became of John?
26	People who met the Lord: Nicodemus (John 3v1-21)	Ye must be born again	n/a	John 1v29	102. Why?
27	People who met the Lord: The Woman at the well (John 4v1-42)	True worship	n/a		Review Q77-84
28	People who met the Lord: Children (Matt. 18v1-14)	Christ's concern for children	#2: 82-87		Review Q85-93
29	People who met the Lord: Zaccheus (Luke 19v1-10)	The Lord changes sinners	#2: 71-75		Review Q94-102
30	People who met the Lord: The Rich Young Ruler (Mark 10v13-27)	Love Christ above all	#3: 28-32		Review Q77-90
31	Easter: Calvary & burial (Matt. 27v26-50)	The Lord dies for sinners	#4: 108-114		Review Q90-102
32	Easter: Resurrection and appearances (Matt. 27v57- 28v20)	The truth of the gospel	#4: 114-118		Review Q77-102

Year FIVE Weekly Schedule

WK	Bible Lesson Topic	Main Lesson Aim	Lessons for Life	Scripture Memory	Catechism
1	The 12 disciples (Mark 1v14-20, 3v13-19)	Following Jesus	#3: 16-22	John 3v3	103. How many Apostles did Jesus choose?
2	The Lord's teaching (Matt. 7v13+14)	The Lord's wisdom in showing the way of salvation	#3: 211-217		104. Which of them denied Him?
3	The Healing of the Demoniac (Mark 5v1-21)	The Lord's power over Satan	#1: 25-28		105. Which of them betrayed Him?
4	The Feeding of the 5000 (Mark 6v31-44)	The Lord provides for sinners	#1: 28-31		106. What did Jesus do all His public life?
5	The Raising of Lazarus (John 11v1-46)	The Lord's power over death	#1: 187-191	John 3v16	107. Name some of His miracles?
6	Judas betrays the Lord (Matt. 26v14-16, 46-50)	Rejection of Christ	n/a		108. Who brought about His death?
7	Peter's denial (Mark 14v26-31, 54, 66-72)	Failure not the end	#3: 38-42		109. Why?
8	Arrest and trial (Matt. 26- 27v25)	The just dies for the unjust	#4: 97-108		110. Who delivered Him to be put to death?
9	The crucifixion (Matt. 27v26-50)	The Lord dies for sinners	#4: 108-114		111. What death did He die?
10	The Thief on the Cross (Luke 23v32-43)	The Way of salvation	#2: 91-95	Luke 23v33	112. Did Jesus rise again from the dead?
11	The empty tomb (Matt. 27v57-28v15)	The Risen Lord	#4: 114-118		113. How long did He remain on earth after rising?
12	The Days before the Ascension (Mark 16, Luke 24, John 20+21)	Proofs of the resurrection	#4: 116		114. What then? 115. Who saw Him go up?
13	The Great Commission (Matt. 28v18-20)	The Church is to go to the lost with the gospel	n/a		116. What happened on the Day of Pentecost?
14	The Ascension (Luke 24v49-52; Heb. 7v25)	He ever liveth... (Christ's reign and intercession)	n/a		117. What did the Apostles do then?
15	The Day of Pentecost (Acts 2)	The Holy Spirit convicts sinners	#3: 122-129	Acts 2v21	118. How many were converted on the Day of Pentecost?
16	Early opposition to the gospel (Acts 4+5)	Obey God not men	#3: 133-137		119. Who was the first Christian martyr?

Year FIVE Weekly Schedule

WK	Bible Lesson Topic	Main Lesson Aim	Lessons for Life	Scripture Memory	Catechism
17	Stephen's death (Acts 6v9- 7v60)	Faithful unto death	#3: 133-137		120. How did he die?
18	The Ethiopian's conversion (Acts 8v26-39)	Faith by hearing the word	#3: 137-142		121. What new Apostle was now called?
19	Saul's conversion (Acts 9v1-22)	Marvellous grace	#1: 92-97		122. What had he been?
20	Cornelius hears and believes (Acts 10)	The Message that saves	#3: 143-148		123. How was he converted?
21	Peter in Prison (Acts 12v1-19)	The Church at prayer	n/a	Acts 10v43	124. How did he spend the rest of his life?
22	Paul the Missionary (Acts 13)	The Spirit sends and equips	n/a		125. Name some of the places where he founded churches
23	Conversions in Philippi (Acts 16)	The Way God builds a church	#1: 97-103		126. What happened to Paul afterwards?
24	Paul in Athens (Acts 17v16-34)	The Gospel to the heathen	#1: 103-107		127. When was Jerusalem destroyed?
25	Riots in Ephesus (Acts 19v1-41)	The Impact of salvation	#1: 107-110		128. What became of the Apostles?
26	Paul and the Authorities (Acts 24)	Faithful in bearing witness to the Lord	#1: 110-114	1 Tim. 1v15	129. What did they do before their death?
27	Paul shipwrecked (Acts 27+28)	The Lord's care of His servants as His will is done	n/a		Review Q103-112
28	Onesimus (Philemon)	A soul saved to serve	#1: 114-117		Review Q112-120
29	The Pastoral epistles (1+2 Tim + Titus; using 1Tim. 3v15 as a text)	The importance of the local church	n/a		Review Q121-129
30	Apostolic Martyrs (2 Tim. 4v6-8; Rev. 6v9)	Faithful unto death	n/a		Review Q103-116
31	Christmas: The Wise Men come to worship (Matt. 2v1-18)	Seek and worship the Lord	#3: 201-205		Review Q116-129
32	Christmas: Herod's anger. To Egypt and then to Nazareth (Matt. 2v1-18)	Hatred for God's Saviour	#3: 201-205		Review Q103-129

Year **SIX** Weekly Schedule

WK	Bible Lesson Topic	Subject	Main Lesson Aim	Scripture Portion	Lessons for Life
1	Titles of the Lord in John's Gospel	The Lamb of God	Forgiveness through a substitute	John 1v29	#1: 199-203
2		The Living Water	The thirsty satisfied	John 4v1-30, 39-42	#1: 170-174
3		The Bread of Life	Everlasting life from Christ	John 6v1-4, 23-58	#1: 174-178
4		The Light of the World	Christ opens sin-blinded eyes	John 9v1-39	#1: 178-182
5		The Good Shepherd	The Shepherd's love for the needy sheep	John 10v1-18	#1: 182-187
6		The Resurrection and the Life	The dead will live again	John 11v1-46; 1Cor. 15v50-57	#1: 187-191
7		The Way, the Truth and the Life	How to get to the heavenly Father	John 14v1-14	#1: 191-196
8		The True Vine	Spiritual life in Christ	John 15	#1: 196-199
9	Lessons from the Life of David	David's Conversion	A heart after God's own heart	Psa. 40	#3: 57-64
10		David is anointed to be King	God sees the heart	1 Sam. 13v13+14, 16v1-13	#3: 64-69
11		David and Goliath	Victory when the Lord is with us	1 Sam. 17	#3: 70-75
12		David and Jonathan	True friendship marked by loyalty	1 Sam. 18v1-4, 19v1-10	#3: 75-79
13		David and Saul	The difference grace makes	1 Sam. 24, 26	#3: 79-85
14		David the King	God's chosen king	2 Sam. 5-7	#3: 85-90
15		David's tragic fall into sin	Sin's downward spiral	2 Sam. 11-12v15	#3: 90-96
16		David's repentance	The effects of sin on the child of God and true repentance	2 Sam. 12; Psa. 51	#3: 96-101

Year SIX Weekly Schedule

WK	Bible Lesson Topic	Subject	Main Lesson Aim	Scripture Portion	Lessons for Life
17	Parables in Luke	The Lost Sheep	Going our own way, then found by the Shepherd	Luke 15v3-7	#2: 141-144
18		The Lost Son	Going our own way, then welcomed by the Father	Luke 15v11-24	#2: 144-151
19		The Grand Banquet	God's invitation to come	Luke 14v16-24	#2: 151-155
20		The Good Samaritan	To whom should I be kind?	Luke 10v25-37	#2: 156-161
21		The Rich Man and Lazarus	Death and life after death	Luke 16v19-31	#2: 161-165
22		The Pharisee and the Publican	Leaving 'church' right with God	Luke 18v9-14	#2: 166-169
23		The Pounds	Servants and service	Luke 19v11-27	#2: 169-174
24		The Barren Fig Tree	Beware hypocrisy	Luke 13v6-9	#2: 175-179
25	Highlights in the life of Joshua	Joshua replaces Moses	Continuing God's work	Joshua 1	#2: 122-125
26		Joshua and the spies	The majority are not always right	Joshua 2	#2: 184-187
27		Entering the Promised Land and early victory	God's power at work for His people	Joshua 4-6	#2: 184-187
28		Defeat at Ai	The tragic results of sin	Joshua 7	#2: 187-191
29	Christmas	The Genealogy of Jesus	The promised Messiah-Son of Abraham, Son of David	Matt. 1v1-17; Luke 3v23-38	n/a
30		Zechariah and Elizabeth. John's birth	The Lord over history prepares the way for Christ	Mark 1v1-15	#3: 11-16
31	Easter	Entrance into Jerusalem, 'Hosanna'	Christ is King	Matt. 21v1-17; 23v37-39	#4: 82-86
32		The Upper Room-foot washing and Judas	True and false disciples	John 13v1-40	n/a

Year SEVEN Weekly Schedule

WK	Bible Lesson Topic	Subject	Main Lesson Aim	Scripture Portion	Lessons for Life
1	People who encountered Jesus in Luke's Gospel	The Centurion	Unexpected great faith	Luke 7v1-10	#2: 64-68
2		A Sad Widow	A display of the Lord's power and compassion	Luke 7v11-16	#2: 88-91
3		A Sinful Woman	Love for the Lord from a sense of forgiveness	Luke 7v36-50	#2: 75-79
4		A man who desires to follow the Lord	The cost of following Jesus	Luke 9v57-60	#2: 79-82
5		Mary and Martha	To love is to listen	Luke 10v38-42	#2: 68-71
6		Children	The best time to come to Jesus	Luke 18v15-17; Matt. 18v1-14	#2: 82-87
7		Zaccheus	The Lord seeks and saves the lost	Luke 19v1-10	#2: 71-75
8		The Dying Thief	A great Saviour for great sinners	Luke 23v32-43	#2: 91-95
9	Genesis Matters	Creation	The World made good	Gen. 1+2	#1: 36-43
10		Sin	Creation marred by sin	Gen. 3	#1: 44-50
11		Promise	God's mercy in the promise of the Saviour	Gen. 3v15	#1: 50-51
12		Conflict	Cain and Abel- sin leads to false worship and hatred	Gen. 4	#1: 51-55
13	Miracles in Mark	The Storm calmed	The Lord's power over nature	Mark 4v35-41	#1: 17-21
14		The Man of Gadara	The Lord's power over devil	Mark 5v1-21	#1: 25-28
15		Jairus' daughter	The Lord's power over the death	Mark 5v21-43	#1: 21-24
16		5000 fed	The Lord's power over the physical world	Mark 6v31-44	#1: 28-31
17		Blind Bartimaeus healed	The Lord's power over illness	Mark 10v46-52	#1: 31-34

Year SEVEN Weekly Schedule

WK	Bible Lesson Topic	Subject	Main Lesson Aim	Scripture Portion	Lessons for Life
18	Elijah and Elisha	Elijah and Ahab	Judgement due to rejection of the Lord	1 Kings 16v29-17v16	#3: 157-162
19		Elijah at Mount Carmel	The True and Living God	1 Kings 18	#3: 163-168
20		Naboth's vineyard	A covetous heart	1 Kings 21, 22v34-38	#3: 168-172
21		Naaman	The way of cleansing from all sin	2 Kings 5v1-19	#3: 172-176
22		The Shunammite's son	Sin, death and new life through God's prophet	2 Kings 4v8-37	#3: 176-180
23		The Syrian army at war	Who can fight against the Lord?	2 Kings 6v8-23	#3: 180-184
24		The Siege of Samaria	The good news when God steps in and changes things	2 Kings 6v24-7v20	#3: 184-189
25		Highlights in the life and times of Daniel	Daniel refuses the King's food	Obeying God rather than man	Daniel 1
26	Nebuchadnezzar's image		Flee idolatry and walk humbly with God	Daniel 3+4	#4: 129-134
27	The Writing on the Wall		The God who sees and punishes sin	Daniel 5	#4: 134-138
28	Daniel and the lions		God preserves His faithful servant	Daniel 6	#4: 138-142
29	Christmas	Angelic visits to Mary and Joseph	The Miracle of Christ's birth	Luke 1v26-38; Matt. 1v18-25	#2: 57
30		The Baby born in Bethlehem	He who was rich becomes poor	Luke 2v1-7	#3: 199
31	Easter	The Last Supper	The death of Christ in symbols	Matt. 26v26-30; 1 Cor. 11v23-34	n/a
32		The Garden of Gethsemane	The Lord's willingness to die for sinners	Luke 22v39-46	n/a

Year EIGHT Weekly Schedule

WK	Bible Lesson Topic	Subject	Main Lesson Aim	Scripture Portion	Lessons for Life
1	Genesis to flood	Creation the Work of a Triune God	Note the activity of the 3 Persons of the Godhead	Gen. 1	#1: 36-44
2		The Fall- the Devil's work in the temptation to sin	Temptation to sin	Gen. 3v1-6	#1: 44-51
3		The Flood- Noah finds grace and obeys the Lord	Salvation only by grace	Gen. 6	#1: 55-59
4		The Flood- judgement and promise	God judges mankind but preserves the world for the coming of Christ	Gen. 7-9	#1: 55-59
5	Parables of Matthew 13	The Sower (Part 1)	Unprofitable hearing of the word	Matt. 13v1-9, 18-23	n/a
6		The Sower (Part 2)	True salvation as the Word bears fruit in a regenerate heart	Matt. 13v1-9, 18-23	n/a
7		The Wheat and the Tares	A warning of judgement to come	Matt. 13v24-30, 36-43	#3: 232-235
8		The Treasure and the Pearl	Christ is precious	Matt. 13v44-46	#3: 236-240
9	Exodus	Ill treatment of Israel, birth and early accounts of Moses	God's love for His people, seeing their afflictions and sending a deliverer.	Exod. 1-2v15	#2: 13-23
10		The calling of Moses	God does His work through His servants (ultimately through Christ)	Exod. 3- 4v5	#2: 23-27
11		Appearing before Pharaoh, plaques	God is not mocked yet man hardens his heart	Exod. 5-10	#2: 28-34
12		The plaques continued	The nature of idolatry and the severity of judgement on sin	Exod. 5-10	#2: 28-34
13		The Passover	When I see the blood...	Exod. 11-12v42	#2: 35-39
14		The Red Sea	God delivers His people for the glory of His name	Exod. 14v5-31; Psa. 106v7-11	#2: 44-47

Year EIGHT Weekly Schedule

WK	Bible Lesson Topic	Subject	Main Lesson Aim	Scripture Portion	Lessons for Life
15	Ten Commandments	Review the Exodus and consider the Sinai setting	The Redeemed are responsible to obey God's law	Exod. 20v1+2; Rom. 12v1+2	#4: 163-224
16		First table- Love God	The challenge to love God above everything	Exod. 20v3-11	#4: 163-224
17		Second table- Love Thy Neighbour	The challenge of loving others in every realm of life	Exod. 20v12-17	#4: 163-224
18		Law as a Schoolmaster- Rich Young Ruler	The importance of heart obedience to God's law	Mark 10v17-27	#3: 28-32
19	Conversion of Paul + journeys	Conversion	God's mercy in saving 'the chief of sinners.'	Acts 9v1-22; Phil. 3v1-11; 1 Tim. 1v15	#1: 92-97
20		Commission	Appointed as Apostle to the Gentiles	Acts 26v15-18; 1 Tim. 1v1; 1 Cor. 15v8-10	n/a
21		Overview of First Journey	Response to the preaching of Christ	Acts 13-14	n/a
22		In Philippi- Lydia's conversion	The Lord's work in opening the heart to the gospel	Acts 16v10-15	#1: 97-100
23		In Philippi- The Jailor	What must I do to be saved?'	Acts 16v16-40	#1: 100-103
24		Thessalonica	The formation of a church	Acts 17v1-9; 1 Thess. 1	n/a
25		Athens	The Gospel to the heathen	Acts 17v16-34	#1: 103-107
26		Ephesus	The consequences of salvation	Acts 19v8-41	#1: 107-110
27		Paul's arrest & defence (using the story of Felix as example)	Boldness in standing for Christ no matter the cost	Acts 24v24-27	#1: 110-114
28		Onesimus	The effect of the gospel on the individual	Philemon	#1: 114-117
29	Christmas	Angels and the Shepherds	A day of good news	Luke 2v8-20	#2: 60-63
30		The Baby in the Temple (Simeon & Anna)	God's salvation comes in human flesh	Luke 2v21-40	n/a
31	Easter	Arrest and Jewish trial	The Rejection of the Saviour	Matt. 26v1-5, 47-68	#4: 97-102
32		Pilate and Barabbas	The Idolatry of pleasing men	Matt. 27v1-25	#4: 102-108

Year NINE Weekly Schedule

WK	Bible Lesson Topic	Subject	Main Lesson Aim	Scripture Portion	Lessons for Life	
1	Sermon on the Mount	Beatitudes	Characteristics of the Christian	Matt. 5v1-12	n/a (Simple commentaries such as that by J.C. Ryle are available)	
2		Salt and light	The Christian's influence in the world	Matt. 5v13-16		
3		True righteousness	Obedying the law from the heart	Matt. 5v17-48		
4		True religion lived before God and not man	The secret life of the Christian seen by the Father	Matt. 6v1-18		
5		Treasures above, seeking first the kingdom	Priorities- seek ye first the kingdom	Matt. 6v19-34		
6		God's generosity to those who ask, seek and knock	True prayer	Matt. 7v7-12		
7		The Lord's Prayer (Part 1- Address and first 3 petitions)	The priority of God in prayer	Matt. 6v9-13		#3: 225-229
8		The Lord's Prayer (Part 2- last 3 petitions and conclusion)	Things to pray for ourselves and others	Matt. 6v9-13		#3: 225-229
9		Two roads and two trees	Get to the Lord- the only way to God	Matt. 7v13-20		#3: 211-217; #3: 221-225
10		Two houses	Not enough to hear the Word- must obey the gospel	Matt. 7v21-29		#3: 217-221
11	Tabernacle	Its Purpose- God will meet with man (Focus on mercy seat)	God will meet with man on the ground of shed blood	Exod. 25; Lev. 16	#2: 107-112 (Eikon PowerPoint available)	
12		Its Pattern- the approach of the sinner to God	The Gate, the Brazen Altar, the Laver (Types of Christ to teach the gospel)	Exod. 27v1-8; Lev. 1; Exod. 30v17-21		

Year NINE Weekly Schedule

WK	Bible Lesson Topic	Subject	Main Lesson Aim	Scripture Portion	Lessons for Life	
13	Division to Exile, Nehemiah	Jehosaphat	The Path to Victory	2 Chron. 20	#4: 21-23	
14		King Joash	Looking the part?	2 Chron. 24	#4: 23-28	
15		Warnings from Amos and Hosea	God is not mocked. Sin's consequences	Selection	#4: 28-34	
16		Hezekiah	Faithfulness to the Lord	2 Kings 18v13-19v37	#4: 34-38	
17		Isaiah (God's promises to His people)	God's Faithfulness to His Promises	Selection	#4: 45-52	
18		Manasseh	God saves repentant sinners	2 Chron. 33v1-20	#4: 52-57	
19		Josiah	Living by the Word	2 Chron. 34-35	#4: 57-62	
20		Jeremiah	Opposition to the Word	Selection	#4: 62-67	
21		Daniel (Living as an exile in a strange land)	Standing for God in an ungodly age	Dan. 1	#4: 123-129	
22		Ezra, Nehemiah (Restoration from captivity)	God's promises come true	Selection	#4: 143-148	
23		Wisdom in Proverbs	The Fear of the Lord	Wisdom begins with our relationship with God	Prov. 1v7, 9v10	n/a
24			Christ- the wisdom of God	Seek wisdom; seek Christ and find life	Prov. 8	
25	Wisdom in trusting		Living life before God	Prov. 3v5-8		
26	Wisdom in friendship		Being a good friend	Prov. 27v6, 9+10		
27	Wisdom in hearing/ speaking		Wise communication skills	Prov. 1v5, 8+9; 12v17-20		
28	Wisdom in working		Wisdom in diligence	Prov. 6v6-11; 10v4+5		
29	Christmas	The Wise Men come to worship	Seek and worship the Lord	Matt. 2v1-18	#3: 201-205	
30		Herod's anger and the flight to Nazareth	Hatred for God's Saviour	Matt. 2v1-18	#3: 201-205	
31	Easter	Calvary and burial	The Lord dies for sinners	Matt. 27v26-50	#4: 108-114	
32		Resurrection and appearances	The reliability of the gospel	Matt. 27v57-28v20	#4: 114-118	

Appendix 1 - Twelve Year Plan Overview

Year	Age Range	General Theme	Catechism
1	4+	See attached detail for each year	CC 1-25
2	5+		CC 26-50
3	6+		CC 51-76
4	7+		CC 77-102
5	8+		CC 103-129
6	9+	Titles of the Lord in John's Gospel, Lessons from the life of David, Parables in Luke, Highlights from the life of Joshua.	Shorter Catechism
7	10+	Encounters with Christ in Luke's Gospel, Genesis Matters, Miracles in Mark, Elijah and Elisha, The life and times of Daniel.	
8	11+	Genesis to Flood, Parables of Matthew 13, The Exodus, The Ten Commandments, Conversion of Saul and missionary journeys.	
9	12+	The Sermon on the Mount, The Tabernacle, Division of the Kingdom to the exile (+ Nehemiah), Wisdom in Proverbs.	
10	13+	Shorter Catechism Course (1).	
11	14+	Shorter Catechism Course (2).	
12	15+	Ethical issues- church, Sabbath, family, work, medical ethics.	

Appendix 2 - Overview of the Christmas / Easter themes for Years 1-5 (Recap in Years 6-9)

Two of each included in each of the first five years and in each of years 6-9.

Nativity themes (No specific additional weeks in Year 4)	
1	Jesus' birth prophesied.
2	Zechariah and Elizabeth. John's birth.
3	Angel's visits to Mary and Joseph.
4	The baby born in Bethlehem.
5	Angels & Shepherds.
6	Baby in the Temple (Simeon and Anna).
7	Wise men visit.
8	Herod's anger. To Egypt then to Nazareth.

Easter themes (No specific additional weeks in Year 5)	
1	Entrance into Jerusalem- Hosanna.
2	Upper room- feet washing and Judas.
3	Last supper.
4	Garden of Gethsemane.
5	Arrest and Jewish trial, Peter's denial.
6	Pilate and Barabbas.
7	Calvary and burial.
8	Resurrection and appearances.

Appendix 3 - Shorter Catechism Learning Schedule

Week	Year 6	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9
1	1	31	60	87,88
2	2	32		
3	3	33	61,62	89
4	4,5,6	34		90
5		35		Review
6	Review	Review	63	91
7	7	36	Review	92
8	8,9,10	37	64	93, 94, 95
9	11	38	65	
10	12	39, 40	66	
11	Review	Review	67, 68	
12	13, 14, 15	41, 42	Review	Review
13		43	69	96
14	16+17	44	70, 71, 72	
15	Review	45, 46		97
16	18	Review	Review	98
17	19	47	73, 74, 75	
18	20	48		Review
19	21	49	76	99
20	Review	50	77	100
21	22	51	78	101
22	23	52	Review	Review
23	24	Review	79	102
24	25	53	80	103
25	26	54	81	104
26	Review	55	82	Review
27	27	56	Review	105
28	28	Review	83	107
29	29	57	84	
30	30	58	85	Review
31	Review	59	86	
32	Review	Review	Review	Review

Appendix 4 - Scripture Memorisation for Years 6-9

Week	Year 6	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9
1	Eph. 2v1	John 3v1	John 1v1	Isa. 53v1
2	Eph. 2v2	John 3v2	John 1v1+2	Isa. 53v2
3	Eph. 2v3	John 3v3	John 1v3	Isa. 53v2
4	Eph. 2v1-3	John 3v4	John 1v3+4	Isa. 53v3
5	Eph. 2v4	John 3v5	John 1v5	Isa. 53v1-3
6	Eph. 2v5	John 3v6	John 1v1-5	Isa. 53v4
7	Eph. 2v6	John 3v7	John 1v6	Isa. 53v5
8	Eph. 2v7	John 3v1-7	John 1v6+7	Isa. 53v4+5
9	Eph. 2v4-7	John 3v8	John 1v8	Isa. 53v6
10	Eph. 2v8	John 3v9	John 1v8+9	Isa. 53v7
11	Eph. 2v9	John 3v10	John 1v6-9	Isa. 53v8
12	Eph. 2v10	John 3v11	John 1v10+11	Isa. 53v9
13	Eph. 2v8-10	John 3v12	John 1v12	Isa. 53v6-9
14	Eph. 2v1-10	John 3v13	John 1v13	Isa. 53v10
15	Eph. 2v1-10	John 3v8-13	John 1v14	Isa. 53v10
16	Psa. 32v1	John 3v14	John 1v10-14	Isa. 53v11
17	Psa. 32v2	John 3v15	John 1v1-5	Isa. 53v12
18	Psa. 32v3	John 3v16	John 1v6-9	Isa. 53v12
19	Psa. 32v4	John 3v14-16	John 1v10-14	Isa. 53v10-12
20	Psa. 32v5	John 3v1-7	John 1v1-14	Isa. 53v1-6
21	Psa. 32v1-5	John 3v8-13	John 1v1-14	Isa. 53v7-12
22	Psa. 32v6	John 3v14-16	Psa. 19v1	Isa. 53v1-12
23	Psa. 32v7	John 3v1-16	Psa. 19v2	Isa. 53v1-12
24	Psa. 32v8	John 3v1-16	Psa. 19v3	Matt. 5v3+4
25	Psa. 32v9	Psa. 121v1+2	Psa. 19v1-3	Matt. 5v5+6
26	Psa. 32v10	Psa. 121v3+4	Psa. 19v4	Matt. 5v7+8
27	Psa. 32v11	Psa. 121v1-4	Psa. 19v5	Matt. 5v3-8
28	Psa. 32v6-11	Psa. 121v5+6	Psa. 19v4+5	Matt. 5v9
29	Psa. 32v1-5	Psa. 121v7+8	Psa. 19v6	Matt. 5v9+10
30	Psa. 32v6-11	Psa. 121v5-8	Psa. 19v7	Matt. 5v11
31	Psa. 32v1-11	Psa. 121v1-8	Psa. 19v1-7	Matt. 5v12
32	Psa. 32v1-11	Psa. 121v1-8	Psa. 19v1-7	Matt. 5v5-12

“Hear therefore, O Israel, and observe to do it; that it may be well with thee, and that ye may increase mightily, as the LORD God of thy fathers hath promised thee, in the land that floweth with milk and honey.

Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God is one LORD:

And thou shalt love the LORD thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy might.

And these words, which I command thee this day, shall be in thine heart:

And thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children, and shalt talk of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up.

And thou shalt bind them for a sign upon thine hand, and they shall be as frontlets between thine eyes.

And thou shalt write them upon the posts of thy house, and on thy gates.”

(Deuteronomy 6:3-9)



