

THE BIBLE STUDY PROGRAM

WEEK 68 – 2 Chronicles 36 – Ezra 5 & 1 Corinthians 2 – 3

Overview – This study is a 6 day program covering both the Old Testament (OT) and the New Testament (NT). This study program is to take place on a daily basis (Monday through Saturday). The study will involve reading/studying 6 OT chapters and 2 NT chapters per week. The OT chapters will only be covered 1 time with the NT chapters being covered 3 times. Depending on reading speed, chapter length, etc., total study time should take approximately 15 to 30 minutes a day. In other words, by simply dedicating **only** about 15 to 30 minutes a day (6 days a week) to Bible study, **in roughly 2 ½ to 3 years, you will have read and studied the entire Bible.** If followed, you will have read the OT once and the NT three times, while studying through the entire Bible. The KJV (King James Version) is used to prepare the questions.

How it works – Read, study, and/or answer questions as outlined below. Place an “x” in the blank after you have completed each day’s study. If you are unable to do the study on the set day, either try to “double up” and get back on schedule or if you get several days behind, simply skip to the current day’s schedule. If necessary you can always come back weeks or months later and study the chapters you missed. You will be able to identify any missed chapters easily if you consistently mark your studied chapters with an “x.” Practically speaking, however, this is not advisable and the student is encouraged to “stay on the daily schedule.” In short, this program will not work, if you do not commit yourself to a daily study habit. We also suggest that the student keeps the weekly study program sheets in a 3 ring binder for easy reference. It is likewise necessary that everyone in the local congregation who is involved in this study program get together weekly or at least biweekly to review the questions and answers.

WEEK 68 – (____ / ____ / ____) to (____ / ____ / ____)

1. **Sunday** – Worship/Time With Family/Review Answers With Others
2. **Monday** –
 - 1) OT – 2 Chronicles 36 (Read & Answer Questions) _____
 - 2) NT – 1 Corinthians 2 (Read) _____
3. **Tuesday** –
 - 1) OT – Ezra 1 (Read & Answer Questions) _____
 - 2) NT – 1 Corinthians 2 (Read & Answer Questions) _____
4. **Wednesday** –
 - 1) OT – Ezra 2 (Read & Answer Questions) _____
 - 2) NT – 1 Corinthians 2 (Read & Word Study/Research) _____
5. **Thursday** –
 - 1) OT – Ezra 3 (Read & Answer Questions) _____
 - 2) NT – 1 Corinthians 3 (Read) _____
6. **Friday** –
 - 1) OT – Ezra 4 (Read & Answer Questions) _____
 - 2) NT – 1 Corinthians 3 (Read & Answer Questions) _____
7. **Saturday** –
 - 1) OT – Ezra 5 (Read & Answer Questions) _____
 - 2) NT – 1 Corinthians 3 (Read & Word Study/Research) _____

WEEK 68 – DAILY PROGRAM

1. **Sunday** – Worship/Time With Family/Review Answers With Others

2. **Monday** –

1) 2 Chronicles 36 – Read & Answer Below

- a) As this chapter begins, what son King Josiah was first placed on the throne?
- b) What was the name of the person that “the king of Egypt” (i.e., Necho) put in place of Jehoahaz, as king?
- c) What was the relationship between Jehoahaz and Eliakim (or Jehoiakim)?
- d) Was Jehoiakim righteous or evil?
- e) 2 Chronicles 36:9 mentions the reign of what son of Jehoiakim?
- f) Was Jehoiachin righteous or evil?
- g) What person did Nebuchadnezzar make king over Judah and Jerusalem, in the place of Jehoiachin?
- h) Was Zedekiah righteous or evil?
- i) What verse in this chapter specifically mentions God sending “his messengers...because He had compassion on His people?”
- j) Referring to the destruction that the Babylonians brought up Jerusalem, 2 Chronicles 36:19 says, “And they _____ the house of God, and brake down the wall of _____, and burnt all the palaces thereof with _____, and destroyed all the goodly vessels thereof.”
- k) What “king of Persia” is mentioned as releasing Judah after 70 years of Babylonian captivity?

2) 1 Corinthians 2 – Read Only

3. **Tuesday** –

1) Ezra 1 – Read & Answer Below

- a) Ezra 1:1 reads, “Now in the first year of _____ king of _____, that the word of the Lord by the mouth of _____ might be fulfilled, the Lord stirred up the spirit of _____ king of Persia, that he made a proclamation throughout all his kingdom, and put it also in writing, saying...”
- b) After reading Ezra 1:1-5, what specific item/building was to be re-built?
- c) Did the people give to the work of rebuilding the temple or were they stingy and greedy concerning this endeavor?
- d) What verse references, “Sheshbazzar, the prince of Judah?”
- e) Ezra 1:11 says, “...All these did _____ bring up with them of the _____ that were brought up from _____ unto _____.”

2) 1 Corinthians 2 – Read & Answer Below

- a) Did Paul come to the Corinthian brethren with excellent speech and human wisdom?
- b) Did Paul come with miraculous power (i.e., miracles) to prove he was from God?
- c) Speaking of the revelation of God’s wondrous plan through inspired teaching, in what verse does Paul say, “But we speak the wisdom of God in a mystery, even the hidden wisdom...?”

- d) Again speaking of God revealing truth through the Holy Spirit to His apostles, thus allowing them to give us inspired writings, what verse declares, “But God hath revealed them unto us by His Spirit: for the Spirit searcheth all things, yea, the deep things of God?”
- e) 1 Corinthians 2:12 says, “Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the spirit which is of God; that we might _____ the things that are freely given to us of God.”
- f) Realizing that mankind by himself (i.e., apart from God’s inspired teachings) cannot find truth, what verse says, “But the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him...?”
- g) Referencing Paul and the other inspired men, the last sentence of this chapter says, “...But we _____ the mind of Christ.”

4. Wednesday –

1) Ezra 2 – Read & Answer Below

- a) The first verse of this chapter is critical in setting the context of this chapter. It states, “Now these are the children of the province that went up out of the _____, of those which had been carried away, whom _____ the king of _____ had carried away unto Babylon, and came _____ unto _____ and Judah, every one unto his city.”
- b) Ezra 2:2 begins, “Which came with _____....”
- c) Ezra 2:36 begins, “The _____....”
- d) Ezra 2:40 begins, “The _____....”
- e) Ezra 2:41 begins, “The _____....”
- f) Ezra 2:43 begins, “The _____....”
- g) Ezra 2:55 begins, “The children of _____ servants....”
- h) The end of what verse that is toward the end of this chapter reads, “...but they could not shew their father’s house, and their seed, whether they were of Israel?”
- i) Not counting “their servants and their maids,” Ezra 2:64 tells us, “The whole _____ together was _____ and two thousand three hundred and three score.”
- j) The beginning of what very late verse says, “They gave after their ability...?”

2) 1 Corinthians 2 – Read & Word Study/Research

- a) What famous verse says, “For I determined not to know any thing among you, save Jesus Christ, and Him crucified?”
- b) Did “the princes of this world” know/understand God’s great mystery (that is, how He would save men through Christ)?
- c) What Old Testament Scripture is referenced in 1 Corinthians 2:9?
- d) In context, does 1 Corinthians 2:9 refer to the glory and splendor of Heaven?
- e) What verse reads, “For what man knoweth the things of a man, save the spirit of man which is in him? Even so the things of God knoweth no man, but the Spirit of God?”
- f) Continuing this same context of God’s revelation/inspiration as opposed to mere human wisdom, 1 Corinthians 2:13 reads, “Which things also we speak, not in the words which _____ wisdom teacheth, but which the _____ teacheth; comparing spiritual things with spiritual.”

5. Thursday –

- 1) Ezra 3 – Read & Answer Below
 - a) What two great leaders during this period of Restoration are mentioned in Ezra 3:2?
 - b) What was built as mentioned in Ezra 3:2-3?
 - c) How many times is the phrase, “as it is written” found in Ezra 3:1-4?
 - d) What verse says, “They kept also the feast of tabernacles...?”
 - e) Is “Cyrus king of Persia” specifically named in this chapter?
 - f) What was the occasion of the praising, crying, shouting and so forth as described in the latter part of this chapter?
 - g) Was all of the crying because of joy?
 - h) Was the noise from all of the praising, weeping, shouting, etc. done in quietness?

- 2) 1 Corinthians 3 – Read Only

6. **Friday** –

- 1) Ezra 4 – Read & Answer Below
 - a) Were the people who said, “Let us build with you: for we seek your God, as ye do” truly friends, or were they enemies?
 - b) In what verse does “Zerubbabel, and Jeshua, and the rest of the chief of the fathers of Israel” tell these enemies, “...Ye have nothing to do with us...?”
 - c) Ezra 4:4 reads, “Then the people of the land _____ the hands of the people of _____, and _____ them in _____.”
 - d) Additionally, Ezra 4:5 continues, “And hired _____ against them, to _____ their purpose....”
 - e) Ezra 4:6 states in part, “...in the beginning of his reign, wrote they unto him an _____ against the inhabitants of _____ and _____.”
 - f) Ezra 4:11 says, “This is the _____ of the _____ that they sent unto him....”
 - g) Ezra 4:17 reads, “Then sent the king an _____....”
 - h) What verse says, “Then ceased the work of the house of God which is at Jerusalem. So it ceased unto the second year of the reign of Darius king of Persia?”

- 2) 1 Corinthians 3 – Read & Answer Below
 - a) What three things are linked with being “carnal” in 1 Corinthians 3:3?
 - b) In 1 Corinthians 3:6 the inspired Paul writes, “I have _____, Apollos _____; but _____ gave the increase.”
 - c) The end of what verse reads, “...But let every man take heed how he buildeth thereupon?”
 - d) 1 Corinthians 3:11 states, “For other _____ can no man lay than that is laid, which is _____ Christ.”
 - e) Are children of God (Christians) considered to be “the temple of God?”
 - f) Being God’s temple, are children of God to live holy lives?
 - g) The beginning of what verse in this chapter says, “Let no man deceive himself...?”
 - h) 1 Corinthians 3:19 tells us, “For the wisdom of this _____ is _____ with God....”

7. **Saturday** –

1) Ezra 5 – Read & Answer Below

- a) What two great prophets are mentioned by name as this chapter opens?
- b) The end of what verse says, as it pertains to the work of Zerubbabel and Jeshua, “...and with them were the prophets of God helping them?”
- c) Ezra 5:2 reads, “But the eye of their God was upon the _____ of the Jews....”
- d) What two names are mentioned specifically as it pertains to the ones asking the Jews, “Who hath commanded you to build this house, and to make up this wall?”
- e) In what late verse (at the end of the verse) in this chapter is “Sheshbazzar” first mentioned in?
- f) Ezra 5:16 reminds us, “Then came the same _____, and laid the _____ of the house of God which is in _____....”
- g) Was a request made for a search to be done regarding the decree of Cyrus?

2) 1 Corinthians 3 – Read & Word Study/Research

- a) As this chapter opens, does Paul speak of the Corinthians as being mature or babes, based on their conduct?
- b) 1 Corinthians 3:4 declares, “For while one saith, I am of _____; and another, I am of _____; are ye not _____?”
- c) If we call ourselves after men and/or follow men (instead of God), are we considered spiritual or carnal?
- d) Showing that this context deals with evangelism and spreading the gospel (i.e., converting others to Christ), 1 Corinthians 3:8 reads, “Now he that planteth and he that watereth are one: and every man shall receive his own reward according to his own _____.”
- e) What does 1 Corinthians 3:14-15 mean in light of the clear context dealing with evangelism/converting others?
- f) What Old Testament Scripture is referenced in 1 Corinthians 3:19?
- g) What Old Testament Scripture is referenced in 1 Corinthians 3:20?
- h) 1 Corinthians 3:21 is a beautiful verse. It says, “Therefore let no man glory in _____....”