

READ THROUGH THE BIBLE SCHEDULE FOR 11/7/11 TO 11/13/11

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2011 Read John 15:1-16:33

Nowhere else in Scripture do we see a more thorough explanation of the Holy Spirit's work than in John 14, 15, and 16. As you read now, pay particular attention to this. Also notice the clear doctrine of the Trinity that permeates the text.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2011 Read John 17:1-26

The firefighter who runs into a burning home, saves a child, and later dies from smoke inhalation. The soldier who throws himself on a live hand grenade to save his squad. Think of those kinds of self sacrifice as you read John 17 today and 18 tomorrow. Look for specific instances in which Jesus gave Himself to save His disciples.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2011 Read John 18:1-19:42

The criminal Barabbas walks away free; the holy Son of God, stands condemned to death. Guilt-ridden Judas looks for a tree on which to hang himself; the innocent Jesus will soon be hung on a tree for all human guilt- even that of Judas. As John 18 ends and John 19 begins, ironies like these bristle from the flow of events, but they all point in one direction- toward Calvary and toward Christ, who saved others by the sacrifice of Himself.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2011 Read John 20:1-21:25

The New Testament professor intoned wisely for a television audience, "The accounts of the early church are clear on two points. One, the disciples saw Jesus after His death. Two, it was no ghost. But this tells us nothing about what really happened." Skeptics for centuries have tried to reinterpret the events of Easter morning and the days that followed. You be the judge, What does John's text say?

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2011 Read Acts 1:26

Sequels. Prequels. Book publishers and moviemakers find many ways to continue story lines and main characters that sell. One generation of actors can wind up in retirement having passed the mantle of succession on to the next generation. In a real sense, Acts serves as a sequel to the Gospel of Luke. Or Luke as a prequel to Acts. Look for clues to this connection between the two books as you read now.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2011 Read Acts 2:1-47

Adam belonged to the church. So did Eve. Sarah and Abraham. King David- and his great-grandmother Ruth. All the saints- believers- of the Old Testament era belonged to the church universal, the family of God in every place and every time. Still, we cannot deny that God turned a page in history on the day Luke describes in Acts 2. Read to see what exactly *did* change.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2011 Attend worship and catch up on any readings you missed.