Reading complete Genesis Student sign/date Theme: beginnings Author: Moses Summary complete Date: About 1450 B.C. Leader sign/date

Genesis is the book of beginnings: the origin of the universe, the creation of man and his fall into sin, the nation, Israel, etc. Although the events recorded go back to "the beginning," the book was not written until the time of Moses. Genesis has two main divisions: 1) the pre-Israel period (ch. 1-11) and 2) the history of the early Jewish patriarchs -Abraham, Isaac, Jacob and Joseph (ch. 12-50). The book ends with the death and funeral of Joseph. Genesis presents Christ as the seed of the woman (3:15) and also the seed of Abraham (12:1-3).

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31	21	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40
41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50

# **Deuteronomy**

Theme: the second giving of the law Author: Moses

Date: 1450-1410 B.C.

Reading complete Student sign/date

Summary complete Leader sign/date

Deuteronomy is composed almost entirely of Moses' addresses to the children of Israel before they enter Canaan. Moses continues the review of Israel's history begun in Numbers and then enlarges upon some of the basic laws previously given. Deuteronomy contains prophecies made concerning Israel's future - blessings if Israel is Obedient to God, Curses if disobedient. Closing with the final words of Moses, the book gives a beautiful description of his death on Mt. Nebo. Because of Moses' disobedience at Kadesh-Barnea when h struck the rock twice. God did not permit Moses to enter Canaan.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31	21	33	34						

### **Proverbs** Theme: wisdom

Reading complete Student sign/date

Author: Solomon Date: 10th century B.C.

Summary complete Leader sign/date

The book of Proverbs is a collection of wise sayings and practical instructions on many significant topics. Comparisons and contrasts are often used to set forth truths important for successful daily living. With the exception of its final two chapters, the entire book was written by Solomon, the wisest man who ever lived.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31									

# **Ecclesiastes**

Reading complete Student sign/date

Theme: man's wisdom Author: Solomon Date: 10th century B.C.

Summary complete Leader sign/date

Solomon describes what life is like when people don't see God and His wisdom. "Vanity of vanities; all is vanity" (1:2b) is how he described all human wisdom, desires, and achievements apart from God. In other words, no matter how great someone's achievement may be, life is empty and meaningless when lived for selfish pleasures apart from the will of God.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12								

### Ezekiel

Theme: judgment and glory

Author: Ezekiel Date: sixth century B.C.

Reading complete Student sign/date

Summary complete Leader sign/date

Ezekiel, a priest and the author of the book bearing his name, was among the Jewish exiles taken captive to Babylon. Some of his prophecies, written in terms of symbols and visions, appear to be extended into the book of Revelation and resemble the prophecies of Daniel and the apostle John. Ezekiel prophesied to the whole house of Israel (Jews exiled in

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31	21	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40
41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48		

## Zephaniah

Theme: the Day of the Lord Author: Zephaniah Date: seventh century B.C.

Reading complete Student sign/date

Summary complete Leader sign/date

Zephaniah described the Day of the Lord, God's wrath and judgment during the future Tribulation period. He also spoke of judgment coming soon upon the neighboring Gentile nations and upon Judah. In fact, the Babylonian captivity would begin just a few years

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10										
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10

### Zechariah

Theme: the coming Messiah Author: Zechariah Date: sixth century B.C.

Reading complete Student sign/date

Summary complete Leader sign/date

Zachariah's audience was a group of 50,000 Jews who returned to Jerusalem following 70 years of captivity in Babylon. He prophesied about the Messiah's first coming, His death, His second coming, and judgments on the Gentiles who try to destroy the Jewish people.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15					

# Luke

Theme: Christ the man Author: Luke Date: A.D. 63-68

Reading complete Student sign/date

Summary complete Leader sign/date

Luke, author of the gospel bearing his name and the book of Acts, frequently accompanied the apostle Paul on his missionary travels. The apostle referred to him as the beloved physician. In his gospel account, Luke portrays Christ as the human-divine One, while the gospel of John presents Christ as the divine-human One. Luke traces the genealogy of Christ back to Adam and emphasized the perfect life of Jesus Christ as the Son of Man. A detailed account is given of Mary, the mother of Christ, and the infancy and boyhood of Christ. The parables reflect the deep concern Christ had for lost mankind as expressed in Luke 19:10: For the Son of Man is come to seek and to save that which was lost. The key phrase is Son of Man.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28		

### Acts

Theme: history of the early church

Author: Luke Date: About A.D. 60 Reading complete Student sign/date

Summary complete

Acts was written by the physician, Luke, and is a continuation of the gospel of Luke. The book of Acts is the only inspired account of the beginning and early work of the church. It also records the ascension and promised return of the Lord Jesus, the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost, Peter's ministry, and the conversion and ministry of the apostle Paul. The grand theme of Acts is the work of the Holy Spirit in exalting and revealing Jesus Christ, the Son of God.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28		

### **Galatians**

Theme: Christian liberty Author: Paul Date: A.D. 55-60 Reading complete
Student sign/date
Summary complete
Leader sign/date

Galatians was written by the apostle Paul to correct two errors:

- 1. Man's salvation is dependent upon his keeping parts of the law, in addition to faith in Christ.
- 2. The justified believer may become perfect by keeping the law.

In this epistle, Paul wrote the most severe warnings against those who preach "another gospel," and he made it clear that the law is not binding on Christians. The Christian life is not "doing things" to be saved or to gain special favor from God. The two systems, law and grace, cannot exist together.

1 2 3 4 5 6

## **Ephesians**

Theme: the Christian's standing, walk and warfare Author: Paul

Reading complete Student sign/date

Author: Paul Date: A.D. 60-64 Summary complete Leader sign/date

Paul wrote Ephesians, the first of four "Prison Epistles," while imprisoned in Rome. The other "Prison Epistles" are Philippians, Colossians and Philemon. Ephesians contains the deepest truths about the Church and the believer's wonderful position in Christ. The first three chapters show the believer's standing in Christ. This standing is unalterable, whether the believer is strong or weak. Because of this wonderful truth, the last three chapters instruct the believer on how he should live the Christian life. Chapter 6 describes the believer's conflict with the forces of darkness.

1 2 3 4 5 6

### **Colossians**

Theme: the preeminence of Christ Author: Paul Date: around A.D. 60 Reading complete Student sign/date

Summary complete Leader sign/date

Some Colossian believers had been attracted to angel worship, while others had fallen back into legalism. Paul wanted to turn the attention of his readers to the greatness of Christ and the fullness of salvation in Him. Here are a few of the points Paul made: Christ is Head of the church; Christ lives in everyone (Gentiles and Jews) who trusts Him as Savior; and all believers are counted as perfect in God's sight. The apostle also urged believers to aim for a high standard of Christian conduct that would demonstrate their union with Christ.

1 2 3 4

## I Peter

Theme: suffering and glory Author: Peter Date: A.D. 60 Reading complete Student sign/date

Summary complete Leader sign/date

Peter probably wrote his first epistle to Christians who had fled into Asia Minor to avoid Nero's persecution. The book encourages suffering Christians to be patient in tribulation, to rejoice with joy unspeakable because of their great hope in Christ, and to live worthy of Him who is coming again.

1 2 3 4 5

Total number of chapter in this Year = 265 32 weeks in a club year, Chapters/week = 8.3