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### Yearly Bible Reading Schedule

*Sunday: 2 Kings 1-3*

*Monday: 2 Kings 4-5*

*Tuesday: 2 Kings 6-8*

*Wednesday: 2 Kings 9-11*

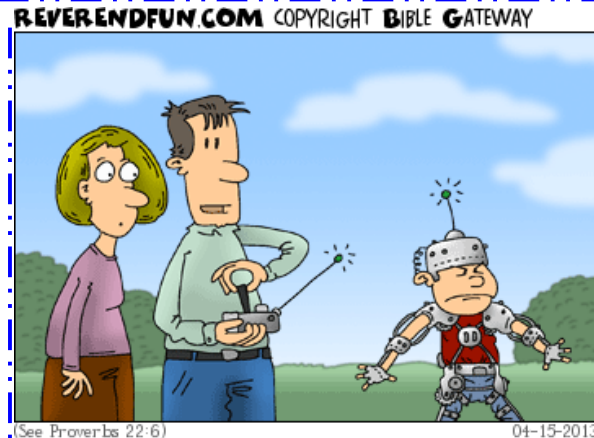
*Thursday: 2 Kings 12-14*

*Friday: 2 Kings 15-17*

*Saturday: 2 Kings 18-19*

### Bible Reading Questions

1. T/F – Elijah died.
2. Who is Elijah's replacement as prophet?
3. How many times did Naaman have to dip into the Jordan River?
4. How many of Ahab's sons were killed?
5. Which king repaired the temple?
6. What was the meaning of Elisha's last prophecy?
7. Who was first to fall? Israel or Judah?
8. Which country took them captive?



I FIND ROBOT SUITS TO BE AN EFFECTIVE  
WAY TO TRAIN A CHILD IN THE WAY HE  
SHOULD GO WHILE AVOIDING MISHAPS ALONG  
THE WAY

*“Train up a child in the way he should go,  
and when he is old he will not depart from  
it.”*

~ Proverbs 22:6

*“In all my perplexities and  
distresses, the Bible has  
never failed to give me  
light and strength.”*

~ Robert E. Lee

# Discovering Truth

*Teach me Your way, O Lord, that I may walk and live in Your truth” – Psalm 86:11*

## The Parables of Jesus Christ

The parables of Jesus are called “dark sayings” in Ps. 78:2 and are clothed in figurative language. Two of the main reasons for parabolic teaching were:

1. To reveal truth by comparing a thing known to something unknown so that the listener could discover truth.
2. To separate those who were anxious to hear and learn from those who were not interested and had different motives such as the Scribes and the Pharisees. Jesus stated this by quoting the prophet Isaiah in Matthew 13:10-17.

The parables of Jesus contain much Kingdom/Church teaching. They are filled with warnings, admonitions, and eternal messages that are pertinent and vital for our salvation. Blessed are those who desire to hear the Word of God, correct their lives, and go to heaven.

~ Ernie Fernandez

A new bible class will be held in Lalo's back classroom  
Wednesday evenings at 7:00 PM. Beginning May 1<sup>st</sup>, Ernie  
Fernandez will be teaching a class on the Parables of Jesus.

Also, don't forget that Charles Williamson is teaching a new class in the auditorium on Sunday mornings on the authority of the Bible. V.R. Hogan is teaching the book of Acts in the auditorium on Wednesday evenings. Kevin Harrington is teaching the “Teens” class, Carol Hogan is teaching the Bible lab, and a hand full of women are teaching the young children. What are you doing to make sure you and your family are attending Bible Study?

~ Kevin

*“You are near, O Lord, and all Your commandments are truth.” – Psalm 119:151*

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### Our Services

#### Sunday

Bible Class: 9:30 am

Worship: 10:45 am

Evening: 5:00 pm

#### Wednesday

Bible Class: 7:00 pm

### Our Elders:

Calvin Cooper.....408-258-3607  
Lalo Enriquez.....408-270-7327  
V. R. Hogan.....408-629-3055  
Charles Williamson.....408-926-9957

### Our Deacons:

Derrick Carbin.....408-238-5507  
Lenard Boesch.....408-226-0867  
Gus Rodriquez.....408-914-5762

### Our Evangelist:

Kevin Harrington.....714-364-7428  
.....408-966-0727

### 2013 Theme:

## “Seek and Save”

“For the Son  
of Man came  
to seek and  
save the lost”  
– Lk. 19:10



# DOING THE LORD'S WORK

Scripture Reading: Acts 18:1-5

- ❖ Paul formed \_\_\_\_\_ (v. 2-3a)
  - We form relationships with...
    - The \_\_\_\_\_ in these pews
      - Romans 12:15
    - The \_\_\_\_\_ in America and abroad
      - Ephesians 5:22-25
    - Our \_\_\_\_\_
      - Matthew 5:43-44
- ❖ Paul worked hard in \_\_\_\_\_ that he did (v. 3)
  - Ephesians 4:28; Ephesians 2:10; 1 Thessalonians 2:9-10
  - Proverbs 6:6
- ❖ Paul \_\_\_\_\_ God's word (v. 4-5)
  - We are to teach other by our \_\_\_\_\_
    - 1 Timothy 4:12
  - We should feel \_\_\_\_\_ to do this

In the past year, what have I done to...

1. Form new and better relationships?
2. Work harder for this church and for God's kingdom?
3. Teach God's word to those who need to hear it most?

This Morning's Sermon:

## Doing The Lord's Work

Kevin Harrington

This Evening's Sermon:

## Evangelism Class

Kevin Harrington

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Daily Spark #35

*Matthew 26:74 "Then he began to curse and swear saying, 'I do not know the Man!' Immediately a rooster crowed."*

Without any names in the above verse, I'm sure all of us know exactly who is being talked about here. It is one of the most popular stories in the entire Bible. A few chapters earlier Jesus tells His apostles that He would soon be arrested and they would scatter away from Him. Peter bravely tells the Lord that he would never run away and he would take his stand with Jesus. Jesus had to remind Peter that before the rooster crowed, he would surely deny the Lord three times. Taking a stand for the Lord is a difficult thing. Even Peter, an apostle of the Lord, had trouble taking his own stand. After his bold prediction, Peter had three opportunities to stand up for the Lord, but three times he failed. The third time he even began cursing and swearing saying "I do not know the Man!"

I wonder how many of us would go out of our way to make people think we aren't Christians. Sadly, many people do that today. Many people will pretend to be someone they're not; just so people won't find out that they are a Christian. When asked if you're a Christian, you can give many different responses. "Well, yes I'm a Christian, but not one of those hard core ones." "I'm a Christian, but I'm not super conservative." "I go to church once a week, but that's about it." Some people will be in services Sunday morning, but then they get to work and they are a completely different person. Why? Because if my co-workers knew I was a Christian, I would never fit in. If my friends at school found out I'm a Christian, I would never be invited anywhere.

For some reason people have always been ashamed of following Christ. Peter was. Many people throughout history were. It used to be because if you were a Christian, you would be punished for it, maybe even killed. But what's our excuse today? Why are so many people still ashamed to admit that they are a Christian? There is a day coming where we will meet Jesus face to face; how would you feel if He looked you in the face and said, "I don't know who you are." I don't think we would like that so much. But it's easy to do it to Jesus. Peter did just that. Peter walked with Jesus, ate with Jesus, was taught by Jesus, watched Him perform miracles, but yet claimed he never knew the Man.

When the rooster crowed, I can only imagine the guilt that Peter was feeling. To remember the words Jesus spoke to Him about the rooster crowing only after Peter denied Him three times. When the rooster crowed, Jesus even looked at Peter almost as if to say, "I told you so." I can't just assume this of everybody, but I can of myself; I'm sure we have all come to a place in our lives where we denied being a follower of Christ. What did you feel afterward? Did you feel sorry? Did you feel any guilt? How did you respond? Peter had a setback, but it's how he responded that made him great.

The Lord appeared to Peter and the apostles after He was risen from the dead and gave Peter an opportunity to redeem himself. The Lord forgave Peter. And from then on we see Peter and a main workhorse for the early church in Jerusalem. Lucky for us, we have a forgiving Lord. Have you slipped up? We all do. How are you going to fix it? Everyday we are confronted with opportunities to stand up for the Lord. Make your stand. I doubt if Peter ever made the mistake of denying the Lord ever again. He was wise and learned from his mistakes. So take a lesson out of Peter's book. Pick yourself back up and get back on track. Instead of wondering what people think of you, worry about what the Lord thinks of you. We've all messed up. Now let's all be workhorses in the Lord's kingdom, just like Peter.

~ Kevin