

THE BIBLE STUDY PROGRAM

WEEK 7 – Genesis 37-42 & Matthew 13-14

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 years, you will have read and studied the entire Bible. Actually, you will have studied the OT once and the NT three times!!

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 to chapters you have studied as well as to the questions. 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 7 – (_____ / _____ / _____) to (_____ / _____ / _____)

1. **Sunday** – Worship/Time With Family/Review Answers With Others
2. **Monday** –
 - 1) OT – Genesis 37 (Read & Answer Questions) _____
 - 2) NT – Matthew 13 (Read) _____
3. **Tuesday** –
 - 1) OT – Genesis 38 (Read & Answer Questions) _____
 - 2) NT – Matthew 13 (Read & Answer Questions) _____
4. **Wednesday** –
 - 1) OT – Genesis 39 (Read & Answer Questions) _____
 - 2) NT – Matthew 13 (Read & Word Study/Research) _____
5. **Thursday** –
 - 1) OT – Genesis 40 (Read & Answer Questions) _____
 - 2) NT – Matthew 14 (Read) _____
6. **Friday** –
 - 1) OT – Genesis 41 (Read & Answer Questions) _____
 - 2) NT – Matthew 14 (Read & Answer Questions) _____
7. **Saturday** –
 - 1) OT – Genesis 42 (Read & Answer Questions) _____
 - 2) NT – Matthew 14 (Read & Word Study/Research) _____

WEEK 7 – DAILY PROGRAM

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

2. **Monday** –

1) Genesis 37 – Read & Answer Below

- a) How old does Genesis 37 say Joseph was at this time?
- b) Who did Israel (or Jacob) love more than all his other children?
- c) How many dreams did Joseph dream?
- d) Jacob sent Joseph to check on his brothers who were feeding the flocks. Per Genesis 37:14, Jacob sent Joseph “out of the vale of _____, and he came to _____.
- e) Per Genesis 37:11, what was the real problem the brothers had with Joseph?
- f) Which of the two brothers are specifically mentioned as not wanting to see Joseph murdered?
- g) How many pieces of silver was Joseph sold for?

2) Matthew 13 – Read Only

3. **Tuesday** –

1) Genesis 38 – Read & Answer Below

- a) Which son of Jacob is mentioned in Genesis 38:1?
- b) Judah’s friend, the Adulamite, was named _____?
- c) Judah’s wife (the daughter of Shuah) had 3 sons. Their names were?
- d) Was Er righteous or wicked?
- e) What Old Testament woman is mentioned in Genesis 38:6?
- f) According to Genesis 38:14, why did Tamar set-up and carry out the plot mentioned?
- g) Judah himself connected harlotry and fornication with honor or shame?
- h) Tamar’s two children of Judah were named?

2) Matthew 13 – Read & Answer Below

- a) In what manner or style did Jesus speak “many things” unto the people?
- b) In the parable of the sower, how many soils are mentioned?
- c) Matthew 13:15 says, “their eyes _____ have closed.”
- d) In what verse does Jesus begin his interpretation of the parable of the sower?
- e) In what verse does Jesus begin his teaching on the parable of the tares of the field? What about his interpretation of this parable?
- f) What two verses discuss the kingdom of heaven being like a Mustard Seed?
- g) What verse likens the kingdom of heaven unto Leaven?
- h) Did Jesus have brothers and sisters (or more accurately half brothers and sisters)?

4. **Wednesday** –

1) Genesis 39 – Read & Answer Below

- a) Was the Lord with Joseph or against him?
- b) Whose wife tried to get Joseph to commit adultery?
- c) Did Joseph give in to her solicitations to commit sin?

- d) Per Genesis 39:9, who is sin really against?
- e) How often did this wicked woman solicit Joseph to sin?
- f) What did Joseph do when she grabbed his garment?
- g) What happened to Joseph after she framed him?
- h) Did the keeper of the prison come to trust Joseph or did he despise Joseph?

2) Matthew 13 – Read & Word Study/Research

- a) What is a parable?
- b) What prophecy is referenced in Matthew 13:14-15?
- c) In the parable of the sower, how many of the soils accepted the truth initially? How many of them remained faithful?
- d) What happened to the wheat in the parable of the tares of the field? What about the tares?
- e) What is the kingdom of heaven likened unto in Matthew 13:44? What about Matthew 13:45-46? What about Matthew 13:47?

5. **Thursday** –

1) Genesis 40 – Read & Answer Below

- a) List the two people who were put in prison per Genesis 40:1-3?
- b) Genesis 40:5 mentions both of these men as doing something. What did they do?
- c) Who interpreted their dreams?
- d) According to Genesis 40:15, did Joseph recognize his innocence?
- e) In accordance with Joseph's accurate interpretation, what happened to the Butler? What about the Baker?
- f) Did the chief Butler initially remember Joseph after his release from prison as Joseph had asked him to do?

2) Matthew 14 – Read Only

6. **Friday** –

1) Genesis 41 – Read & Answer Below

- a) How much longer did Joseph remain in prison after the release of the Butler and before Pharaoh had his dreams?
- b) How many dreams did Pharaoh have?
- c) Did the chief Butler finally remember Joseph?
- d) Who did Joseph give credit to regarding his dream interpretations?
- e) What did the dreams of Pharaoh mean, as interpreted by Joseph?
- f) What did Joseph recommend that Pharaoh do in light of the famine following the years of plenty?
- g) Who did Pharaoh appoint to this position of power and importance?
- h) How old was Joseph when he stood before Pharaoh, the king of Egypt?
- i) What were the names of the two sons born to Joseph as mentioned in the text?

2) Matthew 14 – Read & Answer Below

- a) Who did Herod think Jesus was at first?
- b) Why had Herod murdered John the Baptizer?
- c) In light of the context, is the dancing mentioned in Matthew 14:6-7 pleasing to God or displeasing to God?

- d) Matthew 14:14 says that Jesus was _____ with _____ for the people.
- e) Did Jesus pray or not pray before the multitude ate the food he miraculously provided?
- f) Not counting the women and children, how many men did Jesus feed with the five loaves and the two fishes?
- g) After Peter's ordeal in walking on the water, what does Matthew 14:33 say that the disciples did?

7. **Saturday** –

1) Genesis 42 – Read & Answer Below

- a) Who went down to buy corn in Egypt when directed by their father?
- b) Did Joseph immediately disclose himself to his brothers who had so badly mistreated him or did he disguise himself from them?
- c) Did Joseph know it was his brothers? Did they know it was Joseph?
- d) According to Genesis 42:9, what came to Joseph's mind from his earlier years?
- e) Obviously as a means to "prove them," Joseph accuses them of being spies and puts them in prison for _____ days.
- f) Who did Joseph tell them to bring back with them as a means of proving their words?
- g) Did the brothers connect their current plight with their former actions toward Joseph?
- h) When Joseph heard this discussion about their former actions, what did Joseph do?
- i) What did each man find in his sack of when they opened them?

2) Matthew 14 – Read & Word Study/Research

- a) In light of Matthew 14:3-4, did the great prophet John "overlook" the wicked sin of adultery?
- b) In addition to Herod's "oath" and according to Matthew 14:9, what other factor seemed to have a bearing on Herod's conviction to have John the Baptizer beheaded?
- c) What does "desert place" mean in Matthew 14:13?
- d) When the disciples saw Jesus walking on the water, they cried out in fear. What did Jesus say to them?
- e) Who tried and, for a time, did walk on the water with Jesus?
- f) What happened to the diseased in the land of Gennesaret when they touched the hem of Jesus' garment?