



# Weekly Bulletin

## 23rd Jan 2022

### Sunday Morning

Main Hall and Online @ 10:30

#### Sermon

***The Kingdom is Coming***

*Luke 17:20-37*

Neil Hulse

#### Children's Talk

Andy J

### Sunday Evening

Online @ 18:00

#### Sermon

***God is Infinite***

*Revelation 1:1-8*

Ed Hambleton

### Zoom In For Prayer

To contribute requests for prayer or for help accessing the meeting, please email

[colin.runciman@yec.org.uk](mailto:colin.runciman@yec.org.uk).

### This week...



#### Mon 24 Jan

Allsorts 10:00

#### Tue 25 Jan

Minims (*buggy walk*) 10:00

#### Wed 26 Jan

Homegroups + 20:00

#### Thu 27 Jan

Zoom In for Prayer + 13:00

#### Fri 28 Jan

Ladies' Fellowship + 10:00

Racerunners (EL) 18:30

Film Night Chat + 20:00

*All at 60 South Bank Av. unless indicated*

+ Meeting is held online

EL - Ed and Laura's home

### News

The Hambletons will be away on the mornings of 23 and 30 January, attending family engagements.

Gordon is speaking at Northallerton EC in the morning and Field Court, Heworth in the afternoon.

### Getting the Most Out of Your Bible

Last week I was asked to speak on the above topic to York YL. I thought it might be useful to adapt it for this week's bulletin as I know some of you have been asking about similar topics recently.

#### ***Why Study the Bible At All?***

Because of what it is and who it has come from: John 5:39-40; 2 Peter 1:21; 2 Timothy 3:16-17. It has "eternal relevance" (Fee and Stuart).

#### ***Why Study the Bible On your Own?***

Over any given year, Church Meetings will give only limited exposure to the whole of the Bible.

#### ***How Do I Study It? (Approach)***

Comparison with food: regular, varied and all of it therefore daily where possible.

- "It's not about you" – danger of reading too subjectively. "The bible is primarily about God's revelation of Himself to mankind and His relationship with His people"
- Prayerfully and intelligently (not the same as academically or intellectually). Shouldn't be approached with **less** rigour than you would other books

The words were written by real people to real people in a real geographical and historical situation, using a variety of forms (narrative; poetry; letters etc): it's helpful to research these aspects.

#### ***How Do I Study It? (Methodology)***

Genesis to Revelation? Bible in a year? No problem with either idea but **not** if it becomes mechanical, a drudgery and a guilt trip!

A good Bible Reading Plan is helpful – (possibly one that puts emphasis on gospels (eg. <https://www.navigators.org/resource/bible-reading-plans/>) – but you could do it over two or three years and study in other ways in-between. Keep a record.

Other ways of studying: character studies / word studies / read a book in one sitting / meditate on a passage / memorise a passage.

Use of study notes eg. Explore? A good servant but a poor master. I would recommend spending at least some of your time reading the Bible on its own, without somebody else's mediation.

Your fellow student  
Gordon

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