

## Resources for 'Reading' the bible with children

### ***For very young children***

*The Beginner's Bible* by Karyn Henley (Kingsway Publications)

### ***For older children***

*The Big Picture Story Bible* by David Helm (Crossway)

*The Jesus Storybook Bible* by Sally Lloyd-Jones (ZonderKidz)

*The Gospel Story Bible* by Marty Machowski (New Growth Press)

*Long Story Short* by Marty Machowski (New Growth Press)

### ***For 8 -14's***

*The Child's Story Bible vol.1, vol.2, vol. 3* by Catherine Vos (Banner of Truth)

### ***For teenagers***

Bible apps for phones e.g. Samsung app. Youversion -a large selection of bible translations as well as the facility to listen to it being read aloud.

### ***Other***

Colin Buchanan various music Cd's and DVD's.

EMU: *The King, The Snake and The Promise*, and *Meet the King*

<http://www.playontheword.com/resources/>

### ***For yourself***

1. *The Child's Story Bible vol.1, vol.2, vol. 3* by Catherine Vos (Banner of Truth)

2. Bible Overview: The annual Student Conference 5 January 2012 (Free)

[www.st-helens.org.uk/resources/media-library](http://www.st-helens.org.uk/resources/media-library)

3. Bible Overview - Beginning to End (Free)

<http://audio.christchurch.com.au/date3.htm#136>

## Reading God's Word With Children

### Introduction

### The Bible matters

*Why should we teach our children the bible?*

1. *It makes us wise for salvation and equips us for every good work 2 Timothy 3:16*
2. *It teaches us about Christ – without an understanding of the Old Testament we cannot fully understand Jesus! Luke 24:44-47*
3. *It gives us a secure foundation and enables us to refute error Psalm 1:2-5*

### Reading matters

1. *Listening to reading*

2. *Modelling good bible handling habits*

## **The approaches we can take**

*Pre-school*

*Key stage 1 and 2*

*Key stage 3 and 4*

*Older teenagers*

## **The difficulties we face**

• *Doing it/time*

• *Behaviour!*

• *Our ignorance*

• *Getting started when we have already begun*

• *Single parents*

• *Rejection*

## **The dangers we fall into**

• *Legalism and not grace*

• *It is not about facts*

• *We leave it all to the church*

• *We crowbar it in but don't live it out!*

## **Conclusion**

