

## Ignite: Read 365 Key Chapters in the Bible

*Reading through the Bible* is an important discipline for experiencing personal spiritual revival.

For 2011, we are asking everyone to read through at least 365 key chapters of the Bible. Imagine the kinds of conversations we can have throughout our church family if we are all reading through the same scripture passages together, encouraging and teaching each other toward greater passion along the way.

You can access the 365 key chapters of the Bible in several different ways:

**You can pick up a 365 Key Chapter Bible Reading Plan in the CVC foyer at the Information Desk.**

**You can purchase “A Guided Tour of the Bible: A One-Year Journey through 365 Key Chapters of the Bible** by Ken and Karen Boa. *This book may be purchased at their web site:*

[www.kenboa.org/textresources](http://www.kenboa.org/textresources)

**You can link to the 365 chapters from the CVC web site:**  
[www.cvconline.org](http://www.cvconline.org)

**You can go to [www.kenboa.org](http://www.kenboa.org) to view the readings for each day.**

We encourage everyone to also read through the entire Bible as God leads. Many one-year Bible reading plans are available on-line.

If you make it through the readings for a day, you can make it through a week. If you can make it through a week, you can make it through a year. And if you make it through a year, at the end of 2011 you won't be looking at the same person in the mirror. *Jesus can ignite you.* And as He ignites more and more of us at CVC in 2011, our church will be ignited, too. We'll be more and more pleasing to Him.

*Let's join together in reading through 365 key chapters of the Bible this year, looking to see how God will speak to all of us through His Word in 2011.*

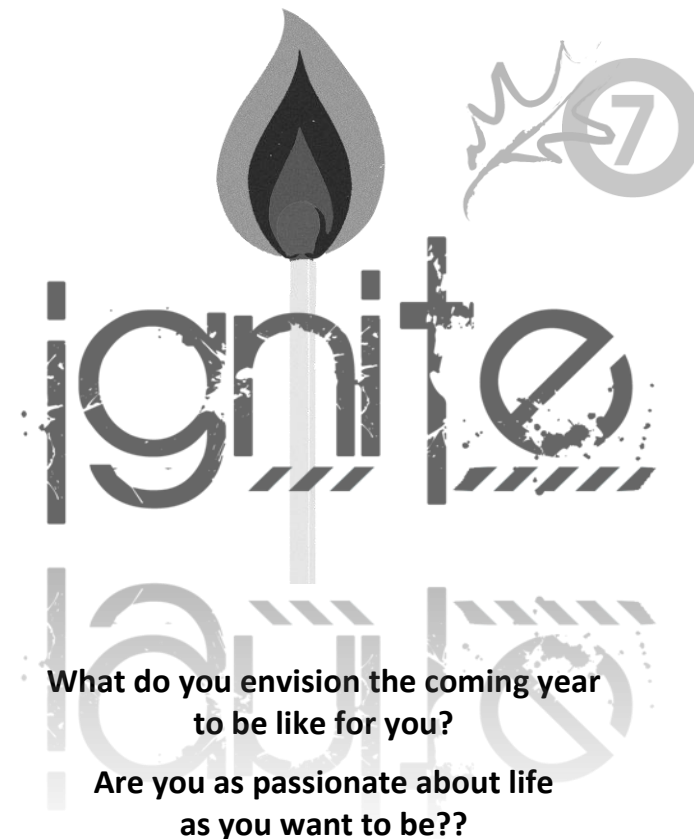
### Additional suggested helps for spiritual growth in 2011:

- **CVC Classes**  
*(Refer to the “Get Equipped” brochure for details.)*
- **Are you in a Community Group?**
- **Books to read:**
  - January / February:** Crazy Love (Francis Chan)
  - March / April:** Why Revival Tarries (Leonard Ravenhill)
  - May / June:** Choosing Forgiveness (Nancy Leigh DeMoss)
  - July / August:** Seeing and Savoring Jesus Christ (John Piper)
  - September / October:** UnChristian (David Kinnaman)
  - November / December:** Yet-to-be-determined

### 2011 Reading Plan through Saturday, January 8, 2011:

January 1	Genesis 1	January 5	Genesis 7
January 2	Genesis 3	January 6	Genesis 8
January 3	Genesis 4	January 7	Genesis 9
January 4	Genesis 6	January 8	Genesis 11

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**Think back to when you were most “on fire” for God.  
What if you could be that passionate again?**

**Ignite your passion for Jesus,  
the One who invites you  
to live passionately.**

**Cuyahoga Valley Church...**

*...helping people grow to be passionate followers of Christ.*

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## Your personal passion...

At CVC, we talk a lot about helping people grow to be passionate followers of Christ. It's what an ignited life looks like. It means at least 3 things. Loving God. Loving one another. Loving the world. This tool is organized around those 3 essentials for an ignited life.

Why not use the following tool to evaluate your own need to be ignited? Simply grade yourself in light of the following statements on a scale of 1-10 (10 being highest). Maybe God will give you some insights into areas of growth to help you develop your own spiritual growth plan.

### Loving God

- \_\_\_ I attend church services regularly and expectantly.
- \_\_\_ I truly seek to experience intimacy with God during both the music and the message.
- \_\_\_ I spend time following an organized Bible reading plan.
- \_\_\_ I spend time in regular, ongoing, unhurried prayer.
- \_\_\_ I am giving generously and sacrificially to my local church.
- \_\_\_ My generosity is characterized by priority, percentage, and progressive giving.

### Loving one another

- \_\_\_ I have become an active and accountable member of CVC.
- \_\_\_ I am actively involved in a Community Group.
- \_\_\_ I am building a spiritual friendship with an accountability partner.
- \_\_\_ I am volunteering in a ministry of the church.
- \_\_\_ I am bearing the fruit of the Spirit in my personal relationships (see Galatians 5:22-23).

### Loving the world

- \_\_\_ I am building relationships with people who do not yet know Christ.
- \_\_\_ I serve in local and/or international mission projects.
- \_\_\_ I regularly invite unchurched friends to church services and events.
- \_\_\_ I am volunteering in a community organization outside my local church.
- \_\_\_ I invite people to put their faith in Jesus as Lord and Savior.

**Now tally your score.** And use the lowest marks to help you develop some strategies to grow.

**130-160:** Thanks for being an example of an ignited believer. But there's still more of God available for you.

**100-129:** You're an example to many, but what's your next move to be even more passionate?

**70-99:** It's really time for you to get to be more "on fire".

**40-69:** You are truly in desperate need for personal passion.

**0-39:** Remember: Faith without works is dead. Do you really have saving faith?

## A personal plan to be ignited:

### Developing a personal spiritual growth plan

We all need to make changes if we are going to experience revival in 2010. Yes, passion is a sovereign gift of God. But He has provided us with what theologians have called "the means of grace." We all need to stop doing some things that limit our passion and to start doing some things that will enhance the possibility of God granting ignition. We need to do some things less and do other things more. We must clearly answer the "who, what, why, when, where, and how" questions when it comes to making changes. *It can be as simple as 1, 2, 3:*

**#1: Look at your calendar and schedule an hour to put your plan together.** Put it on your calendar. Make an appointment for yourself to be alone with God. It may be in the morning or in the evening. It may be at your house or a coffeehouse.

**#2: Spend an hour reflecting and praying.** And here's a suggestion. Think in categories. It may be helpful for you to think in these five categories: spiritual, relational, intellectual, emotional and physical. Do an honest self-assessment. And ask God to reveal the answer to this question: what changes do I most need to make in order to experience a life of passion?

- How will you grow in your love for God?
- How will you grow in your love for others?
- How will you grow in your love for the world - the people who do not yet know Christ?

- In what area of your life do you need to grow to be more like Jesus?
- Which fruit of the Spirit needs most development in your life?
- What will you read in scripture this year?
- What sections of scripture will you memorize?
- How will you grow in your prayer life this year?
- What music will help you worship more?
- What books will you read and/or reread?
- With whom do you need to build a relationship/friendship with this year?
- What CDs or podcasts do you need to listen to?
- What seminars/conferences do you need to go to?
- What new disciplines do you need to develop?
- Who will hold you accountable?

**#3: Write down your plan.** Call them goals. Call them "Resolutions for an ignited life." Call them whatever you want. The idea is to seek to make changes that honor God – that put you in a spiritually receptive place for God to ignite your life. Be realistic. Don't set the bar so high that you end up discouraged if you should fail. Once you come up with your plan, write it down. Keep it visible. Put it on a screen saver. Put it on your bathroom mirror. Put it in your Bible. Put it in your journal. Put it in your daily planner. Share your plan with your family and with your Community Group. Find an accountability partner who will make some of the same resolutions. And beg God for personal and corporate ignition in 2011.

