

UNDERSTANDING THE STORY

This set of 28 stories is intended to give the readers an overview of the story of God as we find it in the Bible. These stories will lay a foundation of understanding about what the Bible says. Use the structure on the back of this sheet to study and respond to these stories with a group of friends or family.

- Genesis 1 - The Creation Story: God Created the World
- Genesis 2 - The Creation Story: The Creation of Man
- Genesis 3 - The Fall: Disobedience of People
- Genesis 6:1-9:17 - The Fall: The Flood
- Genesis 12:1-8, 15:1-6 - Redemption: God's Promise to Abram
- Genesis 22:1-19 - Redemption: Abraham offers Isaac as a Sacrifice
- Exodus 12:1-28 - Redemption: The Promise of Passover
- Exodus 20:1-21 - Redemption: The Ten Commandments
- Leviticus 4:1-35 - Redemption: The Sacrificial System
- Isaiah 53 - Redemption: Isaiah Foreshadows the Coming Promise
- Luke 1:26-38, 2:1-20 - Redemption: The Birth of Jesus
- Matthew 3; John 1:29-34 - Redemption: Jesus is Baptized
- Matthew 4:1-11 - Redemption: The Temptation of Christ
- John 3:1-21 - Redemption: Jesus and Nicodemus
- John 4:1-26, 39-42 - Redemption: Jesus and the Woman at the Well
- Luke 5:17-26 - Redemption: Jesus Forgives and Heals
- Mark 4:35-41 - Redemption: Jesus Calms the Storm
- Mark 5:1-20 - Redemption: Jesus Casts Out Evil Spirits
- John 11:1-44 - Redemption: Jesus Raises Lazarus from the Dead
- Matthew 26:26-30 - Redemption: The First Lord's Supper
- John 18:1-19:16 - Redemption: Jesus is Betrayed and Condemned
- Luke 23:32-56 - Redemption: Jesus is Crucified
- Luke 24:1-35 - Redemption: Jesus Conquers Death
- Luke 24:36-53 - Redemption: Jesus Appears and Ascends
- John 3:1-21 - Redemption: We Have a Choice
- Matthew 28:18-20 - Commission - Make Disciples
- 2 Corinthians 5:17-21 - Commission - Be Ambassadors
- Revelation 21:1-8 - Finished - All things New

Looking Back

CARE

What is one thing you are thankful for and one thing that is stressing you out?

ACCOUNTABILITY

How did you do this week with your “I will” statement? Who did you share with? Did we meet any needs in our community?

Looking Up

PASSAGE

Read the first scripture passage out loud 2-3 times.

RETELL

Retell the passage using your own words as if you were having a cup of coffee with a friend. (Not what you think it means but simply retell it.)

QUESTIONS

- What did you like about the passage?
- What does the passage tell us about God? About people/humanity?
- Is there an example to follow or avoid or a command to obey in this story?
- What are some ways that this passage can apply to our lives?

Looking Forward

PERSONAL APPLICATION

How will you practically apply what you learned in the passage to your life this week? What is one thing you will do or change because of this story?

Who can you tell about what you learned this week? When?

BLESSING THE COMMUNITY

Is there anyone we know who has a need and can we as a group do something about it? Who can we bless?