

# Bible Study Method - TEXTS TBA

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**Psalms 119:18** Open thou mine eyes, that I may behold wondrous things out of thy law.

## A. Sharing & Prayer (examples)

- What is something you're thankful for? (Thank God directly in prayer.)
- What is something you / your family / your neighbors are struggling with?
- What is God saying to you through the preaching / your study of the Word of God?
- How can we pray for you to obey what God is showing you through His Word?

## B. Group Bible Study: Read the Text.

- Read the text.
- Make sure everyone understands what the text says / means by someone simply paraphrasing / rehearsing the text in their own words. If an important point or nuance is missed, someone else in the group can point it out.
- What is God saying to you through His Word?
  - Run down any cross references the Holy Spirit prompts.
  - Ask questions (that you have, or perspectives that you'd like to hear from others in the group.)

**Remember:** This is a "discovery method" in which your group is to study directly from God's Word and where the Holy Spirit reveals God's truth as you study God's Word together. Do not take all the group time to lecture or teach.

If the group / someone gets stuck - just ask questions. You can avoid stealing the Holy Spirit's job by simply pointing people back to the Bible. "What does the text say?"

**Goal: for the Holy Spirit teach God Truth to His people through His word. 1 Cor 2:9-14**

***Fire starters: A few sample questions / things to observe in a passage.***

1. What does this teach/reveal about God (Father, Jesus, Spirit)?
2. What does this reveal about mankind? You personally?
3. What does God /Jesus do? (Is there an example from Jesus we can follow?)
4. What does God command us to do? (Are there any clear commands to obey?)
5. How are you going to obey God's Word to you personally?
6. How could we obey this lesson as a group / church?

## C. Decision time.

- Share what you learned with others. Who?
- Pray for God to help everyone to obey AND to boldly tell others.
- Determine to simply OBEY what God has shown you through His Word.
- Follow up on decisions others have made for God – provide ongoing prayer and loving accountability.

## **Creation to Christ Study Set - 28 Stories**

### **The Creation of the World**

1. Creation of the world - Genesis 1:1 – 2:3
2. Creation of man - Genesis 2:4-25
- The Story of Sin – The Disobedience of Man
3. The first sin and judgment - Genesis 3:1-24
4. Sin spreads to the children of Adam and Eve – Genesis 4:1-16
5. Sin spreads to the whole world - the Flood – Genesis 6:11-22, 7:11-23, 8:14-22

### **The Story of Redemption**

#### **The Cost of Sin and the Promise of Forgiveness**

6. God's promise to Abraham - Genesis 12:1-9, 15:1-6
7. God provides the substitute sacrifice for Isaac - Genesis 22:1-19
8. Abraham's descendants enslaved then God chooses Moses as liberator Exodus 1:1-14, 3:1-14
9. The Passover — the blood and the lamb – Exodus 12:1-28
10. God gives His Ten Laws and Sacrifice for breaking the law – Exodus 20:1-21, Lev 4:1-4
11. God's People Continually Sin – Judges 2:10-23
12. God will send a redeemer – Isaiah 9:1-7 and 53

#### **Jesus Comes to Fulfil the Promise of Salvation**

13. Birth of Jesus according to prophecy – Matthew 1:1-25
14. Baptism of Jesus — Behold Lamb of God! Testimony of John & Spirit – Matt. 3; John 1:29-34
15. Temptation of Christ – Matthew 4:1-11
16. Jesus has authority to forgive sin — paralyzed man and 4 friends – Luke 5:17-26
17. Jesus has power over nature — Calms the Sea – Mark 4:35-41
18. Jesus has authority over spirits — Gadarene Demoniac – Mark 5:1-20
19. Jesus has power over death — Jesus raises Lazarus to life – John 11:1-45
20. Jesus is the Saviour who brings Eternal Life -- John 4:1-26, 39-42

#### **The Promise Fulfilled**

21. The Last Supper — This is my broken body and blood shed for you – Matthew 26:18-30
22. Jesus is betrayed, arrested, falsely accused, tried and sentenced to death – John 18:1-19:16
23. The crucifixion, decision for and against Jesus, —It is finished – John 19:16-42
24. The resurrection and appearance to disciples and followers – Luke 24:1-35
25. Jesus returns to the Father, the Ascension – Luke 24:36-53
26. Our Response - The New Birth – John 3:1-21

## Creation to Christ Story Sets - 19 Stories

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| God Creates                                   | Genesis 1:1-25                 |
| God Creates Man & Woman                       | Genesis 1:26-27, 2:7-9; 15 -25 |
| How Sin Came Into the World                   | Genesis 3:1-24                 |
| Noah & the Great Flood                        | Genesis 6:5-22                 |
| The Tower of Babel                            | Genesis 11:1-9                 |
| Abram/Abraham Father of Nations               | Genesis 12:1-8 & 15:1-6        |
| God Tests Abraham's Faith and Obedience       | Genesis 22:1-18                |
| God Spares His People                         | Exodus 12:1-28                 |
| Moses & The Ten Commandments                  | Exodus 19:5-9; 20:1-21         |
| The Sin Offering                              | Leviticus 4:1-2, 13-21, 27-31  |
| God's Offering for Sinners                    | Isaiah 53:1-12                 |
| Jesus is Born                                 | Luke 1:26-38 & 2:1-20          |
| Jesus is Baptized & Tested                    | Matthew 3:13-17, 4:1-11        |
| Jesus & the Paralyzed Man                     | Luke 5:17-26                   |
| Jesus Talks about His Betrayal & the Covenant | Matthew 26:17-30               |
| Jesus is Betrayed & Faces Trial               | John 18:1-40 & 19:1-16         |
| Jesus is Crucified                            | Luke 23:32-56                  |
| The Resurrection                              | Luke 24:1-53                   |
| How To Enter into the Kingdom of God          | John 3:1-21; Mark 16:15-18     |

## Creation to Christ Study Set - 10 Sessions

Session 1: Created for Relationship with God.

Genesis 1:26-31, 2: 8-9, 15-25, Psalm 139:13-16

Session 2: Separated from God by Sin.

Genesis 3:1-24, Romans 5:12, 3:10-18

Session 3: God Chooses Abraham.

Genesis 12:1-6, 15:1-6, 22:1-19

Session 4: God gives Laws & Sacrifices for breaking the law.

Exodus 20:1-21, Lev 4:1-4

Session 5: God's People Continually Sin / God promises a Savior.

Judges 2:16-18

Isaiah 53:1-12 (*written 700 BC and one of many, many prophecies about Savior who will come*)

Session 6: God Sends His Son Jesus.

Isaiah 7:14 *Prophecy made 700 years before Jesus was born*

Matthew 1:18-25 *Birth of Jesus*

Luke 4:16-22 *Beginning of his ministry - age 30*

*Summary by Jesus* John 3:16 / Luke 19:10

Session 7: Jesus' Great Love & Power.

Matthew 9:35-36, 14:13-36

Session 8: The Cross

John 11:47-53, Luke 22:54, 63 - 23:56, Romans 5:6-11

Session 9: The Resurrection

Luke 24:1-12, 24:36-53

Session 10: How to return to God

Luke 15:11-24 *Jesus tells a story of how we can come back to God*

John 14:6, Romans 10:9-10, 13, Luke 21:12-19

*Are you ready to give your whole life to God? No matter the cost?*