

Course Outline and Reading Guide

The following chart lists the narrative book(s), i.e., the main book or books that tell the biblical story, to be studied in each time period. It also shows how these books are divided among the study sessions and lists the main reading assignment, other readings from Scripture, and paragraphs from the *Catechism* that are referenced in the Study Set Questions.

Session / Title (Narrative Book)	Reading Assignment	Other Bible Readings	Catechism Readings
1 / Finding the Story in Scripture (None)	(None)	(None)	50-141
2 / Early World – 1 (Genesis 1-11)	Genesis 1-3	John 1:1-14	73-104 (optional), 356-358, 362-373, 345-349
3 / Early World – 2 (Genesis 1-11)	Genesis 4-11	1 Peter 3:18-22; Acts 2:1-13	845, 1219, 1213
4 / Patriarchs – 1 (Genesis 12-50)	Genesis 12, 15-18, 22	Jeremiah 34:17-20; Colossians 2:11-12; James 2:13-23	143-147, 154-155, 2572
5 / Patriarchs – 2 (Genesis 12-50)	Genesis 25, 28, 29, 32, 37-50	Romans 9:10-13	218
6 / Egypt & Exodus – 1 (Exodus)	Exodus 3-5, 7, 11-12, 14, 16, 17	John 1:29; Matthew 26:17, 26-28; 1 Peter 1:17-19; 1 Corinthians 5:7-8; John 6; 1 Corinthians 10:1-4	206
7 / Egypt & Exodus – 2 (Exodus)	Exodus 19-20, 23-25, 32-34, 40	Luke 12:16-31; Hebrews 9:4; Revelation 11:19-12:6	696-697
8 / Desert Wanderings (Numbers)	Numbers 1-2, 10-12, 13-14, 16-17, 20, 22-24	Deuteronomy 8; Matthew 4:1-4	1897-1900
9 / Conquest & Judges – 1 (Joshua and Judges)	Joshua 1-4, 6-8, 23-24	Hebrews 11:31, James 2:24-26; 2 Corinthians 10:3-4; 1 Peter 2:11; 1 Timothy 6:11-12; Ephesians 6:11-18	
10 / Conquest & Judges – 2 (Joshua and Judges)	Judges 1:1-3:6, 6-7, 17-21	John 20:23; Psalms 115:1-9; Ruth	1730-1748, 1210-1213, 1325, 1426, 1446, 2085-2086, 2112
11 / Royal Kingdom – 1 (1 Samuel)	1 Samuel 1-4, 7-12, 15-16, 26	Genesis 21:1-3, 25:21, 30:2-24; Judges 13:2, 24; Luke 1; Psalms 2, 47	
12 / Royal Kingdom – 2 (2 Samuel; 1 Kings 1-11)	2 Samuel 5-7, 11:1-12:25; 1 Kings 2:1-12, 3, 6:1-7:19, 10:23-29, 11	Hebrews 7:1-4, 14-17; Psalms 51, 110:14; Proverbs 1:1-7; Matthew 12:6, 26:61; 1 Corinthians 3:16, 6:19; Deuteronomy 17:16-17	1847, 1850, 2580-2581

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13 / Divided Kingdom – 1 (1 Kings 12-22, 2 Kings)	1 Kings 12:1-14:20, 15:25- 16:34, 18:16-39, 21; 2 Kings 2, 4, 5	1 Kings 17-19; Hosea 1-3; Jonah	2582-2584
14 / Divided Kingdom – 2 (1 Kings 12-22, 2 Kings)	1 Kings 14:21-15:8; 2 Kings 8:16-29, 11-12; 18:1-21:18, 20:16-18	Deuteronomy 30:15-20; Isaiah 5-6, 22:14-24; Micah 6:1-8	552-553
15 / Exile (2 Kings 17; 18:9-12; and 24-25)	2 Kings 17, 18:9-12, 24-25	Jeremiah 34; Matthew 18:21-35; Daniel 1-7; Mark 14:60-65; Ezekiel 34; Jeremiah 31, 33	2838-2845
16 / Return (Ezra 1-7,9-10; Nehemiah)	Ezra 1, 3-7, 9:1- 10:17; Nehemiah 2, 4:1-5:13, 9:32-10:29	Jeremiah 29:10-14; Esther	
17 / Maccabean Revolt (1 Maccabees)	1 Maccabees 1-6	Sirach 2, 2 Maccabees 12:28-46; Wisdom 3:1-8	988-996; 957-958, 1030-1032
18 / Messianic Fulfillment – 1 (Luke)	Luke 1:1-9:50	Genesis 3; Exodus 17:1-7, 20; Deuteronomy 6,8; Exodus 20; John 6	1716-1729, 2052ff.; 1384
19 / Messianic Fulfillment – 2 (Luke)	Luke 9:51-19:27	Galatians 3:26-4:7; Matthew 18:18-20; John 20:21-23; Matthew 16:13-20; Matthew 25:31-46	2762-2766, 2803-2806; 553; 588-589
20 / Messianic Fulfillment – 3 (Luke)	Luke 19:28-24:53	Exodus 12; Isaiah 52; 1 Corinthians 5:7; 1 Peter 1:18-20; Revelation 5:6-14; John 21:1-19; Genesis 3; Hebrews 2:14-18; Isaiah 53; Galatians 3:13; Romans 6:1-14	613-614, 1340; 1213-1216, 1227-1228
21 / The Church – 1 (Acts of the Apostles)	Acts 1:1-8:4	Matthew 28:16-20; Mark 16:14-18; Luke 24:13-49; John 20:19-23; John 21:15-19; Genesis 11:1-9; 1 Timothy 3:8-13	761; 765
22 / The Church – 2 (Acts of the Apostles)	Acts 8:5-15:35	1 Timothy 1:12-17; Matthew 15:11, 19-20; Genesis 12:1-3	683ff. (optional), 880-892
23 / The Church – 3 (Acts of the Apostles)	Acts 15:36-28:31	1 Thessalonians 2-4; 1 Corinthians 1:10-17, 5:1-2, 6:12-20, 8, 11:17-34, 13; Philippians 1:12-18; Ezra 37	748ff. (optional), 817-819