

In the Beginning

Week 1 Genesis 1:1-31

1. What does Genesis 1 say in relation to Darwin's theory of evolution?
2. According to Romans 1:18-20, what role does creation play in revealing God to sinners?
3. What does Romans 8:19-23 say about creation?

Week 2 Genesis 2:1-25

1. Read Exodus 20:10-11. Why did God rest on the seventh day?
2. According to Ephesians 5:30-32, what is the ultimate purpose of marriage?
3. What did Jesus say about this passage in Matthew 19:3-9?

Week 3 Genesis 3:1-13

1. Why was eating a particular piece of fruit such a big deal to God?
2. What kind of death did Adam and Eve experience immediately after eating the fruit?
3. What are some ways in which you have sinned against God?

Week 4 Genesis 3:14-24

1. According to verse 21, who made the first animal sacrifice, and why?
2. What prophecy is in this passage concerning a coming Savior?
3. According to Romans 5:12, what was the impact of this sin for all people?

Week 5 Review (Pick One)

1. Make a chart with 2 columns. In the first column, make a list of at least 10 sins that people commit (for help, see Proverbs 6:16-19, Galatians 5:19-21, and Romans 1:18-32). Then, beside each sin, write what God does instead of that sin (for example, beside "lying", write "God is truth" or "God cannot lie").
2. Write a summary, poem, skit, or song of what you learned from the Bible this week.
3. Draw a picture of what you learned from the Bible this week. Write a brief description of your picture.

Week 6 Genesis 4:1-15

1. What are some ways in which Cain sinned as he killed his brother Abel?
2. According to Hebrews 11:4, why did God accept Abel's offering but not Cain's offering?
3. Read Hebrews 12:24. What comparison is made between Abel's blood and the blood of Jesus Christ?

Week 7 Genesis 6:1-22

1. Researchers have found that the ark was just the right size to float while carrying Noah's family and all the animals. What does this tell you about the wisdom and knowledge of God?
2. Read Hebrews 11:7 and Ephesians 2:8-9. Why did God save Noah—because he was a good person, or for some other reason?
3. Read 1 Peter 3:20. What do we learn about God's patience for sinners from the story of Noah?

Week 8 Genesis 7:1-24

1. Read 2 Peter 2:5-6. How does God view our sin?
2. Read 1 Peter 3:20-21. How is the ark and the great flood a picture of salvation in Jesus Christ and baptism?
3. According to Matthew 24:37-39, how does Jesus compare the great flood with His own future return?

Week 9**Genesis 8:1-22**

1. Why did the dove not return the third time Noah sent it out of the ark?
2. In verse 17, what command did God give to Noah and his family?
3. According to verse 21, does God give this promise (in verse 22) because of our goodness or because of His goodness?

Week 10**Review (Pick One)**

1. Legends of a great flood exist in many cultures around the world. These stories, even though they don't exactly match the biblical account, provide evidence that there actually was a great flood at some time in the past. Go to answersingenesis.org/kids/noahs-ark/flood-legends and read about flood legends from different cultures around the world. Pick 1 of them and write a paragraph comparing and contrasting the legend to the true account from the Bible.
2. Write a summary, poem, skit, or song of what you learned from the Bible this week.
3. Draw a picture of what you learned from the Bible this week. Write a brief description of your picture.

Week 11**Genesis 9:1-17**

1. With regard to the food that God provided for people to eat, what changed after the flood?
2. How does verse 6 apply to the death penalty as a consequence for premeditated murder?
3. What does the rainbow symbolize?

Week 12**Genesis 11:1-9, 26-32**

1. Compare verses 2-4 with Genesis 9:1. In what way had the people disobeyed God's command?
2. In what way did these people commit the sin of pride?
3. What are some things that you have done to try to draw attention to yourself instead of giving God the glory?

Week 13**Genesis 12:1-20**

1. Read Hebrews 11:8. If you were in Abram's position, do you think it would have been easy or difficult for you to obey God's command to leave your home? Why?
2. Describe Abram's faith as he obeyed God even though God did not tell him where he was going.
3. Why did Abram lie to the Egyptians, and what does that tell us about his faith?

Week 14**Genesis 13:1-18**

1. Comparing verse 6 with 1 Timothy 6:10, what can we learn about being rich in money and possessions?
2. Comparing verse 10 with 1 John 2:15-17, explain the foolishness of Lot's decision.
3. What 2 things did God specifically promise to Abram in Genesis 13, and according to Acts 7:5, why might it have been difficult for Abram to trust God's promises?

Week 15**Review (Pick One)**

1. Similar to the great flood, legends related to the Tower of Babel also exist in many cultures around the world. These stories, even though they don't exactly match the biblical account, provide evidence that there actually was a great flood at some time in the past. Go to answersingenesis.org/kids/answers/online-books/babel-legends-cards/ and read about those stories from different cultures around the world. Pick 1 of them and write a paragraph comparing and contrasting the legend to the true account from the Bible.
2. Write a summary, poem, skit, or song of what you learned from the Bible this week.
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Week 16**Genesis 14:1-24**

1. Read Hebrews 7:1-3. In what ways is Melchizedek the priest a picture of Christ?
2. Read Hebrews 7:11-19. Why is Christ said to be of the order of Melchizedek instead of the order of Aaron?
3. Read Hebrews 7:20-28. Compared to all other priests in Israel, in what ways is Christ a superior High Priest?

Week 17**Genesis 15:1-21**

1. What question does Abram ask God in verse 8?
2. What promise does God give in response to Abram's question?
3. Read Romans 4:1-4. What does God's statement about Abram (in Genesis 15:6) tell us about faith?

Week 18**Genesis 16:1-16**

1. In what ways is a lack of faith displayed in this story?
2. In what ways do the people involved fail to take responsibility for their choices?
3. Read Romans 9:6-9 and explain how Ishmael is an example of those descendants of Abraham who are not granted salvation in Jesus Christ.

Week 19**Genesis 18:1-33**

1. What two messages did Abraham receive from God (or His messengers) in this chapter?
2. Read Jude 1:5-8. In what ways did the people of Sodom and Gomorrah sin against God?
3. Read Matthew 11:20-24. What does Jesus say to the hypocrites who have seen his miracles but refuse to repent from their sin?

Week 20**Review (Pick One)**

1. Make a table with 2 columns (labeled "Jesus" and "Melchizedek") and list all the ways that you can find Jesus being compared with Melchizedek in Hebrews 7.
2. Write a summary, poem, skit, or song of what you learned from the Bible this week.
3. Draw a picture of what you learned from the Bible this week. Write a brief description of your picture.

Week 21**Genesis 19:1-29**

1. Explain the wickedness that the two angels encountered when they came into Sodom.
2. Read Luke 17:28-31. How does Jesus compare the people of Sodom to what many people will be doing when He returns?
3. Read Luke 17:32-33. Why did Lot's wife look back?

Week 22**Genesis 21:1-21**

1. How did God miraculously fulfill His promise to Abraham and Sarah?
2. Describe what happened to Hagar and Ishmael after the birth of Isaac.
3. Read Romans 9:6-9. Explain how God uses the lineage of Abraham and Isaac to show us how He accomplishes salvation.

Week 23**Genesis 22:1-19**

1. Read Hebrews 11:17-19 and explain why Abraham said "we will come back" in Genesis 22:5.
2. Read James 2:21-24. Though good works cannot bring salvation to anyone, how does James use this passage as an example of how good works can demonstrate our faith?
3. How do the events recorded in this passage give us a picture of what Jesus would later accomplish on the cross?

Week 24**Genesis 24:1-31**

1. Discuss the faith of Abraham's servant, based on his prayer.
2. How does the prayer of Abraham's servant provide an example of Jesus' teaching in Matthew 6:8?
3. How did God answer his prayer, and what was the servant's response to God in verses 26-27?

Week 25**Review (Pick One)**

1. Discuss all the different ways in which Genesis 22 is a picture of the crucifixion and resurrection of Jesus Christ.
2. Write a summary, poem, skit, or song of what you learned from the Bible this week.
3. Draw a picture of what you learned from the Bible this week. Write a brief description of your picture.

Week 26**Genesis 24:32-66**

1. As Abraham's servant recounts the events that had taken place for Rebekah's family, how do you see God at work?
2. Explain how the parting words from Rebekah's family (verse 60) connect with the promise God gave Abraham in Genesis 22:17-18.
3. What was Isaac doing when he saw the camels returning with his bride? According to Psalm 1:1-2 and Psalm 77:11-12, what is the only proper way to meditate?

Week 27**Genesis 25:7-11, 19-34**

1. According to Genesis 8:22, the atmosphere and weather patterns started operating as we know them at the conclusion of the flood. Comparing Genesis 5 with Genesis 25:7, how did this change affect life spans?
2. Read Romans 9:8-13. How are Rebekah's twin boys given as an example of God's election in salvation?
3. Read Romans 9:14-21. What objection to this difficult truth does Paul (the author of Romans) anticipate, and how does he answer that objection?

Week 28**Genesis 35:9-29**

1. How did God expand upon the promise that He originally gave Abraham in Genesis 12:2?
2. How did Rachel die? What did the midwife tell her before her death?
3. Where was Rachel buried? Who would later be born in the same town? (Hint: See Matthew 2:1-6.)

Week 29**Genesis 37:1-36**

1. Read Acts 7:9. What sin were Joseph's brothers guilty of? What did this sin lead them to do to Joseph?
2. How did Joseph's brothers deceive their father?
3. Read James 3:13-18. What warning does God give about jealousy? How did Joseph's brothers ignore such warnings?

Week 30**Review (Pick One)**

1. This week, we learned about Esau's foolish decision when he was hungry, as well as jealousy and lies from Joseph's brothers. Choose one of those sins and write at least 2 paragraphs about a time when you committed that sin. Also discuss what you should have done differently, based on the Bible.
2. Write a summary, poem, skit, or song of what you learned from the Bible this week.
3. Draw a picture of what you learned from the Bible this week. Write a brief description of your picture.

Week 31**Genesis 39:1-23**

1. Read Matthew 25:20-23. How do we see Joseph following this same principle when he was a slave in Egypt?
2. What does this passage teach us about the importance of honesty and trustworthiness?
3. If you were tempted in a similar way to Joseph (when Potiphar's wife tempted him), how would you have responded? Do you value sexual purity?

Week 32**Genesis 40:1-23**

1. Read 1 Corinthians 10:31. How did Joseph follow this principle when the two prisoners asked him to interpret their dreams?
2. Compare and contrast the two dreams and their interpretations.
3. What request did Joseph make of the cupbearer? Did the cupbearer do this?

Week 33**Genesis 41:1-36**

1. What did Joseph do in verse 16 that he also did in Genesis 40:8?
2. What were Pharaoh's two dreams and their interpretation?
3. According to Joseph's words, why did Pharaoh have two dreams about the same event? What suggestions did Joseph give to Pharaoh to prepare for what God was going to do?

Week 34**Genesis 41:37 – 42:5**

1. According to verses 38-41, what was the result of Joseph giving God the glory for the dream interpretations?
2. What did Joseph lead the people to do during the years of plenty? What happened, both in Egypt and with Jacob's family, once the famine began?
3. Read Acts 7:9-12. How was God at work in Joseph's life during this time?

Week 35**Review (Pick One)**

1. In 2-3 paragraphs, briefly retell Joseph's journey from his homeland to becoming a ruler in Egypt, showing how God was at work through both the good and bad things that happened to him.
2. Write a summary, poem, skit, or song of what you learned from the Bible this week.
3. Draw a picture of what you learned from the Bible this week. Write a brief description of your picture.

Week 36**Genesis 42:6-38**

1. Describe the first encounter between Joseph and his brothers in Egypt.
2. As a result of what Joseph's brothers did to him years earlier, how is Joseph testing his brothers (verses 15-19) and what do his brothers say in response (verses 21-22)?
3. After Jacob's sons returned from Egypt, recount what was said in the conversation between Jacob and Reuben.

Week 37**Genesis 43:1-34**

1. What did Jacob (Israel) say when his sons needed to return to Egypt for more food?
2. Why did the brothers take twice as much money when they went to Egypt the second time? What did Joseph say in response to this?
3. In what two ways did Joseph respond differently toward Benjamin, the brother to whom he was closest?

Week 38**Genesis 44:1-34**

1. How did Joseph test his brothers?
2. What did Judah say to Joseph when he was told that Benjamin would stay behind as a punishment?
3. Read Genesis 37:26-28. How had Judah changed? Compare Judah's actions against his brother Joseph in Genesis 37 with his concern for his brother Benjamin in Genesis 44.

Week 39**Genesis 45:1 – 46:4**

1. Read Acts 7:13. How did Joseph reveal himself to his brothers, and how did he glorify God in what he said to them?
2. What happened after Pharaoh learned that Joseph's brothers had come?
3. Read Genesis 15:13 and Acts 7:6. How did God accomplish the task of moving Jacob's family to Egypt (where they would remain for 400 years and would later become slaves) and fulfill the promise He made to Abraham?

Week 40**Review (Pick One)**

1. How did Joseph show forgiveness? What are some times when you needed to forgive others or be forgiven? Why do we all need to be forgiven by God through Jesus Christ? Write 2-3 paragraphs to answer some or all of these questions on the topic of forgiveness.
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Week 41**Genesis 46:28 – 47:12**

1. What was the occupation of Jacob's family? How did the Egyptians view this occupation?
2. Read John 10:7-15. Compare the occupation of Jacob's family with Jesus' words in John 10. Who are the sheep and the shepherd that Jesus is talking about?
3. What did Pharaoh say to Joseph and to Jacob?

Week 42**Genesis 47:13-31**

1. In what different ways did the Egyptians pay for their food after they ran out of money?
2. Where did the family of Israel settle, and what began to happen to them?
3. Read Genesis 50:24-25. Compare the final request of Jacob (Israel) to that of his son, Joseph.

Week 43**Genesis 48:1-22**

1. List at least 3 separate things that Jacob (Israel) praises God for in this passage.
2. Read Titus 2:13-14. Who is the Angel that Jacob refers to in Genesis 48:16? Explain how we can know that this is who Jacob is talking about.
3. Read Genesis 15:14. What promise from God does Jacob (Israel) relay to Joseph in verse 21? To whom did God first give this promise?

Week 44**Genesis 49:29 – 50:26**

1. Read Romans 8:28. How does Joseph apply the truth from this verse in his life?
2. Read Genesis 15:13-14. How does Joseph show his faith in God's promise in Genesis 50:24-25?
3. Read Exodus 13:18-19. How will Moses fulfill the request Joseph made just before he died?

Week 45**Quarterly Review**

List 12 or more things you learned from the Bible during the last 9 weeks.