

God's Story - Our Story: The Adventure Before Us :: YouVersion Event

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God's Story - Our Story is a series that will take us through the overarching narrative of the Bible. Throughout this series, we will fight against the common idea that, "I can't understand the Bible," or "I can't read the Bible for myself." Instead, we will be empowered to see the overarching purposes of redemption, love, and the glory of God, throughout the Old & New Testaments, and begin to see our story in God's story.

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1. God's **self-disclosure**. He wants us to **know** Him!

Psalm 19:1-4 NIV

1 The heavens declare the glory of God;the skies proclaim the work of his hands. 2 Day after day they pour forth speech;night after night they reveal knowledge. 3 They have no speech, they use no words;no sound is heard from them. 4 Yet their voice goes out into all the earth,their words to the ends of the world.In the heavens God has pitched a tent for the sun.

Psalm 19:7-10 NIV

7 The law of the Lord is perfect,refreshing the soul.The statutes of the Lord are trustworthy,making wise the simple. 8 The precepts of the Lord are right,giving joy to the heart.The commands of the Lord are radiant,giving light to the eyes. 9 The fear of the Lord is pure,enduring forever.The decrees of the Lord are firm,and all of them are righteous. 10 They are more precious than gold,than much pure gold;they are sweeter than honey,than honey from the honeycomb.

2. The devastating consequences of **human failure**.

3. The revelation of a **Redeemer**, who is **bigger** than our biggest **failures**!

Romans 5:15 NIV

15 But the gift is not like the trespass. For if the many died by the trespass of the one man, how much more did God's grace and the gift that came by the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, overflow to the many!

Romans 5:18 NIV

18 Consequently, just as one trespass resulted in condemnation for all people, so also one righteous act resulted in justification and life for all people.

4. The blessings of **faith** and **love**.

5. The **expansion** of the eternal **Kingdom of God**.

Joshua 1:7-8 NIV

7 “Be strong and very courageous. Be careful to obey all the law my servant Moses gave you; do not turn from it to the right or to the left, that you may be successful wherever you go. 8 Keep this Book of the Law always on your lips; meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do everything written in it. Then you will be prosperous and successful.

LIFEGROUP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

1. What was a highlight from your holiday celebrations?
2. Name one of your favorite stories or books (not from the Bible).
3. Name one of your favorite Bible stories, and explain why you love it.
4. Read Joshua 1:7-9 and Romans 15:4 two times each. Now consider your favorite Bible story again. What does that story teach us about God’s character? How does that story give us hope? What instruction for life is found there? How might that story bolster our courage?
5. What help would you need from your LG to commit to the Bible reading plan Adrian laid out for the year? What behavioral decision would you need to make to read the Bible for 5-10 minutes each day?
6. Read Psalm 1. Use those words to pray for each other and for our church, that we would grow in spiritual depth through our 2018 adventure!

THIS WEEK'S BIBLE READING PLAN:

- + Psalm 1
- + Psalm 145
- + John 15
- + Ephesians 2
- + Philippians 3-4

BIBLE READING RESOURCES:

- + Any good study Bible (*NIV, ESV, NASB, NLT, NKJV, etc...*)
- + *The Bible Jesus Read*, by Philip Yancey
- + *The Story*, by Max Lucado & Randy Frazee
- + *Youversion.com*
- + *BlueLetterBible.org*

