

TAKING IT HOME - So, this week as you read your Bible use the IQA and ask the FLOWS questions!

- Use the IQA-
 - I- Insight, what does this passage say?
 - Q- Question- what don't I understand?
 - A- Apply- What is God saying to me?
- Use God's FLOWS
 - **F**aith- what is God asking me to believe?
 - **L**ove- how can I love God better, and others better?
 - **O**bey- what do I need to obey?
 - **W**orship- how can I praise God from what I just learned about Him?
 - **S**hare- what do I need to share? To whom?

• **GO DEEPER!**

1. Get the big picture- a great, animated overview of the Bible go to <https://bibleproject.com/explore/book-overviews/>
2. Memorize the 12 Time Periods of the Bible
3. Get a Bible reading plan- for free
 - a. Bible Project- animated, gives overview- reading 4 chapters a day
– <https://www.bible.com/reading-plans/22273-bibleproject-one-story-that-leads-to-jesus/day/1>
 - b. Nicky Gumble- very devotional, practical, with prayers for the OT, Psalms, and NT readings-
– <https://www.bible.com/en/reading-plans/34130>
 - c. Nicky Gumbel – Express- same devotional but with a total of 10 verses from OT, Psalms & NT combined
– <https://www.bible.com/reading-plans/34346/day/1?segment=0>
 - d. For a free 30-Day daily prayer experience with Jesus check out- <https://www.pauseapp.com/>

❖ **WHAT'S GOD SAYING TO YOU?** – write it down, pray it back, DO IT, and share it with others!

“Heavenly Father, thank You for Your Word! Help me get into Your F.L.O.W.S. I hear you saying...

SO. WHY SHOULD I READ THE BIBLE? – Josh 1:7-10, 6/4/23

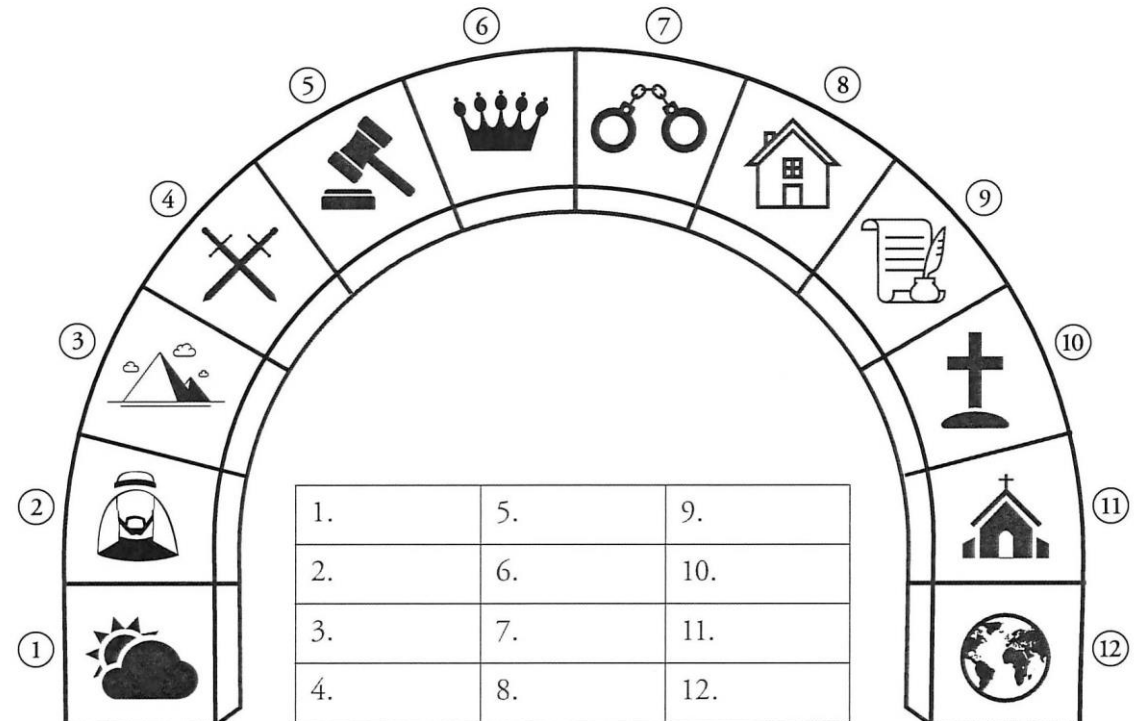
GETTING OUR FEET WET

Joshua 1⁷ “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. ⁹ Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the LORD your God will be with you wherever you go.”

This is God's Word. It is God's authority over me. It's God telling me who I am and what I'm to do. I will read it, obey it and share it, to be close to Jesus and bring others to Jesus.

GETTING THE BIG PICTURE- Memorize the 12 periods of the Bible

ARC OF BIBLE HISTORY



1. Creation	5. Judges	9. Silence
2. Patriarchs	6. Kings	10. Jesus
3. Exodus	7. Exile	11. Church on Mission
4. Conquest	8. Return	12. New Creation

SO, WHY SHOULD I READ THE BIBLE? - GOD'S 5 WHYS! F.L.O.W.S. (& there's more- Ps 119)

1. God's g_____ - splendor, majesty, beauty, praise, power, joy, delight...
 - Job 38⁴ "Where were you when I laid the earth's foundation? ⁷ while the morning stars sang together and all the angels shouted for joy?"
 - 1 Chr 16:24 Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous works among all the peoples!
 - Prov 8²² "The LORD brought me (Wisdom) forth as the first of his works, before his deeds of old; ²⁹ when he gave the sea its boundary so the waters would not overstep his command, and when he marked out the foundations of the earth. ³⁰ Then I was constantly at his side. I was filled with delight day after day, rejoicing always in his presence, ³¹ rejoicing in his whole world and delighting in mankind."
 - Rom 11³⁶ For from him and through him and for him are all things. To him be the glory forever! Amen.
 - 1 Cor 10:31 So, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God.

2. Jesus
 - John 1:14 And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth. (see Heb 1:3)
 - Jn 5³⁹ You study the Scriptures diligently because you think that in them you have eternal life. These are the very Scriptures that testify about me
 - Lk 24²⁵ He said to them, "How foolish you are, and how slow to believe all that the prophets have spoken! ²⁶ Did not the Messiah have to suffer these things and then enter his glory?" ²⁷ And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he explained to them what was said in all the Scriptures concerning himself.
 - Is it only about Jesus??
 - 1 Cor 10⁵ Nevertheless, God was not pleased with most of them; their bodies were scattered in the wilderness. ⁶ Now these things occurred as examples to keep us from setting our hearts on evil things as they did. (see also Rom 15:4, Heb 11, Jas 5:11,17-18)

3. F_____ - trusting
 - Gen 15⁶ Abram believed the LORD, and he credited it to him as righteousness.
 - Jn 3¹⁶ For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.
 - Rom 10¹⁷ So then faith *comes* by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.

4. L_____
 - Mt 22³⁷ Jesus replied: "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.' ³⁸ This is the first and greatest commandment. ³⁹ And the second is like it: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.' ⁴⁰ All the Law and the Prophets hang on these two commandments."

5. O_____
 - Jn 14²³ Jesus replied, "Anyone who loves me will obey my teaching. My Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. ²⁴ Anyone who does not love me will not obey my teaching. These words you hear are not my own; they belong to the Father who sent me.
 - Jas 1²² Do not merely listen to the word, and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says.

6. S_____
 - Dt 6⁴ Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one. ⁵ Love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength. ⁶ These commandments that I give you today are to be on your hearts. ⁷ Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up. ⁸ Tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads. ⁹ Write them on the doorframes of your houses and on your gates.
 - Mt 10²⁷ What I tell you in the dark, speak in the daylight; what is whispered in your ear, proclaim from the roofs. ²⁸ Do not be afraid of those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. Rather, be afraid of the One who can destroy both soul and body in hell.
 - Mt 28¹⁸ Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. ¹⁹ Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰ and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."