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# The Story

A Yearlong Journey Through The Biblical Metanarrative

## **Purpose**

As part of our larger vision to continue to grow and multiply as a church family, the elders have decided that a vitally important part of that vision is the foundational equipping of all believers in a holistic understanding of the Biblical story of which our understanding is built and our lives are lived in.

## **Family Focus**

As we head into this very focused teaching and growth path for 2024, we want to encourage the entire church to think about and engage with it in two specific ways.

- Nuclear Families. We are curating not only our carpet teaching to adults around the Biblical story, but we will also match our Children's Ministry curriculum with it. We encourage families to use this as an opportunity to go deeper through weekly family reading, post gathering discussions, and daily life application together.
- Missional Communities. We recommend all MCs to consider various avenues for engaging deeply with this content. Deep discussion of previously taught content, and the reading, observation, and study of upcoming content is recommended. We believe that this a healthy way for our entire church to unite together through this and provide better opportunities for meaningful interactions between MCs as well.

## **Discussion Guide**

In our efforts to best use this teaching focus to establish a core Biblical foundation for our church, we will provide a general planning guide to assist MC Leaders in planning the various ways that they might help others engage with the content. The guide will not provide weekly teaching specific content, but will focus on general principles and processes that leaders can utilize in planning their large group, small group, and personal discipleship gatherings.

## Bible Reading Plan

A part of making this focus more comprehensive and more engaging for everyone in our church, we will be generating a new yearlong Bible reading plan that will coincide with the focus of our weekly teachings. The basic format will be as follows:

- Monday: the passage that will specifically be covered in the teaching. This will foster the opportunity for deeper study and specific preparation for the upcoming teaching.
- Tuesday Saturday: passages that are relevant/related to the general topic that we will cover in the teaching. This will foster broader understanding of relevant issues connected to the upcoming teaching.

## **Outline**

### Section 1: Creation (Order & Chaos)

Date: January 7

Passages: Genesis 1:1-25, John 1:1-18

Topic: God

Date: January 14

Passages: Genesis 1:26-27

Topic: People

Date: January 21

Passages: Genesis 1:28-31

Topic: Mission

#### \*Vision 2024: January 28

Date: February 4
Passages: Genesis 2
Topic: Family

Date: February 11

Passages: Genesis 3, Ezekiel 37

Topic: Adversary

Date: February 18
Passages: Genesis 3
Topic: Fall & Promise

Date: February 25
Passages: Genesis 4
Topic: Chaos

Date: March 3
Passages: Genesis 6-8

Topic: Judgment & Recommission

Date: March 10

Passages: Genesis 10-11:9

Topic: Nations & Dispersement

## Section 2: Israel (Kingdom Of Priests)

Date: March 17

Passages: Genesis 12:1-9

Topic: Calling

Date: March 24

Passages: Genesis 15:1-16

Topic: Covenant

#### \*Easter: March 31

Date: April 7

Passages: Genesis 12:10-20, 16, 17:15-18:21, 21:1-21

Topic: Faith & Unbelief

Date: April 14
Passages: Genesis 22
Topic: Atonement

Date: April 21

Passages: Genesis 37, 39-47

Topic: Captivity

Date: April 28

Passages: Exodus 2-4, 6-14

Topic: Liberation

Date: May 5

Passages: Exodus 19-20 Topic: Law & Purpose Date: May 12

Passages: Deuteronomy 30:8-11; Leviticus 1-7, 10:10-11, 16:1-34, 26:1-46

Topic: National Constitution

Date: May 19

Passages: Joshua 1:1-11, 3-4, 5:10-12

Topic: Conquest

Date: May 26

Passages: 1 Samuel 1-3, 8

Topic: Priests

Date: June 2

Passages: Judges 1-3, 21:25

Topic: Judges

Date: June 9

Passages: 1 Samuel 10:17-27, 2 Samuel 16:1-13,

Topic: Kings

Date: June 16

Passages: Jeremiah 18, Isaiah 53, Daniel 9:24-27

Topic: Prophets

Themes: Exhortation & Forecasting

## Section 3: Jesus (Promised One)

Date: June 23
Passages: Matthew 1-2

Topic: Arrival

Date: June 30

Passages: Matthew 3-4:11 Topic: Preparation

Date: July 7

Passages: Matthew 4:12-25 Topic: Ministry Begins

Date: July 14
Passages: Matthew 8-9

Topic: Power & Authority

Date: July 21

Passages: Matthew 10 Topic: Discipleship

\*Family Camping Trip: July 28
\*Global Mission Focus: August 4

Date: August 11

Passages: John 14:5-7, 25-31, 15:1-17, 16:4b-11, 17:20-26

Topic: Abiding

Date: August 18

Passages: Matthew 26:17-29 Topic: Remembering

Date: August 25

Passages: Matthew 27, 28:1-10 Topic: Death & Resurrection

Date: September 1

Passages: Matthew 28:16-20; Genesis 1:28, 9:1, 12:1-3

Topic: Commission

### Section 4: Church (New Family)

Date: September 15

Passages: Acts 1

Topic: The New Thing

Date: September 22

Passages: Acts 2 Topic: Local

Date: September 29 Passages: Acts 8:4-8, 10

Topic: Regional

Date: October 6

Passages: Acts 9:1-19, 13:1-3, 15:40-41, 18:22-23

Topic: Global

Date: October 13

Passages: Romans 1-5; 1 John 1:9

<sup>\*20</sup>th Anniversary Celebration: September 8

Topic: Salvation

Date: October 20

Passages: Romans 6; 1 Corinthians 15

Topic: Identity

Date: October 27
Passages: Romans 7
Topic: Freedom

Date: November 3
Passages: Romans 8
Topic: Growth

Date: November 10
Passages: Ephesians 2:11-4:9
Topic: The Local Church

Date: November 17

Passages: 1 Timothy 3:1-13; 1 Peter 5:1-11

Topic: Leadership

### Section 5: Kingdom (Righteous Reign)

Date: November 24
Passages: Revelation 4-19

Topic: Judgment

Date: December 1
Passages: Revelation 20
Topic: Kingdom

## Section 6: Eternity (New Beginning)

Date: December 8
Passages: Revelation 21
Topic: A New Home

Date: December 15
Passages: Revelation 22
Topic: A New Life

<sup>\*</sup>Christmas: December 22

\*Bonus/Testimonies: December 29