



God's Story, Our Story A MESSAGE SERIES Sundays | June 5 - August 7

NewSong and Sanctuary

The Bible can be a daunting and challenging book to engage. It's easy to get lost in the twists of narrative, the detouring lists of rules, and the turns of chronicling history. So what are the 66 books of the Bible trying to tell us? In our sermon series, God's Story, Our Story, you'll be captivated by the God Who has been writing a story that has been including us all along. As you respond to God's call, you'll find that God has invited you to be a part of the grand narrative He has been writing since the beginning of creation. Join us as we make sense of the Bible and enter into God's story, Our Story.

PASSPORT INTRODUCTION

This passport will guide you through our 10-week exploration of the Bible called *God's Story, Our Story*. Each week features the primary scripture of that week's message, a place for you to take notes during the message, and six daily Bible readings that will help you explore more deeply into each area of God's story. Included with your book are 10 stickers which represent each part of God's story: Creation, Catastrophe, Covenant, Community, Crown, Conceit, Christ, Cross, and Culmination. Each week you are invited to affix the sticker in your passport as you journey along with us.

We are indebted to Sean Gladding and his book *The Story of God, the Story of Us*. The framework of our series and the names of each week are from his work.

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WEEK 1 JUNE 5 CREATION GENESIS 1:26-27 (NRSV)

- **26** Then God said, "Let us make humankind in our image, according to our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the wild animals of the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth."
- **27** So God created humankind in his image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them.

DAILY SCRIPTURES FOR THE WEEK (JUNE 6 - 11)

- **6.** John 1:1-3
- 7. Hebrews 11:1-3
- 8. Revelation 4:11
- 9. Isaiah 42:5-12
- 10. Nehemiah 9:6
- 11. Psalm 8:1-9



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WEEK 2 JUNE 12 CATASTROPHE GENESIS 3:8-15 (NRSV)

- 8 They heard the sound of the Lord God walking in the garden at the time of the evening breeze, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the Lord God among the trees of the garden.
- **9** But the Lord God called to the man, and said to him, "Where are you?"
- **10** He said, "I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself."
- 11 He said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?"
- 12 The man said, "The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit from the tree, and I ate."
- **13** Then the Lord God said to the woman, "What is this that you have done?" The woman said, "The serpent tricked me, and I ate."
- 14 The Lord God said to the serpent, "Because you have done this, cursed are you among all animals and among all wild creatures; upon your belly you shall go, and dust you shall eat all the days of your life.
- **15** I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; he will strike your head, and you will strike his heel."

DAILY SCRIPTURES FOR THE WEEK (JUNE 12 - 18)

- 13. Romans 3:3-18
- 14. Psalm 51:1-9
- **15.** 1 John 1:5-10
- **16.** Psalm 53
- 17. Jeremiah 17:5-10
 - 18. Romans 8:18-30



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WEEK 3 | JUNE 19 | COVENANT GENESIS 12:1-3 (NRSV)

- 1 Now the Lord said to Abram, "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you.
- 2 I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing.
- **3** I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed."

DAILY SCRIPTURES FOR THE WEEK (JUNE 20 - 25)

- 20.Genesis 9:9-17
- **21.** Genesis 15:1-21
- 22. Genesis 17:1-14
- **23.** Genesis 17:15 18:1
- 24. Genesis 18:1-15
 - 25. Psalm 25:10-14



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WEEK 4 | JUNE 26 | COMMUNITY EXODUS 19:3=6 (NRSV)

- **3** Then Moses went up to God; the Lord called to him from the mountain, saying, "Thus you shall say to the house of Jacob, and tell the Israelites:
- 4 You have seen what I did to the Egyptians, and how I bore you on eagles' wings and brought you to myself.
- 5 Now therefore, if you obey my voice and keep my covenant, you shall be my treasured possession out of all the peoples. Indeed, the whole earth is mine,
- 6 but you shall be for me a priestly kingdom and a holy nation. These are the words that you shall speak to the Israelites."

DAILY SCRIPTURES FOR THE WEEK (JUNE 27 - JULY 2)

- 27.1 Peter 2:1-5
- **28.** Ephesians 4:11-16
- **29.** Romans 12:9-13
- **30.** Acts 2:42-27
- 1. Ecclesiastes 4:9-12
- 2. 1 Peter 4:7-11



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WEEK 5 | JULY 3 | CROWN 1 SAMUEL 8:4-9 (NRSV)

- 4 Then all the elders of Israel gathered together and came to Samuel at Ramah,
- **5** and said to him, "You are old and your sons do not follow in your ways; appoint for us, then, a king to govern us, like other nations."
- 6 But the thing displeased Samuel when they said, "Give us a king to govern us." Samuel prayed to the Lord,
- 7 and the Lord said to Samuel, "Listen to the voice of the people in all that they say to you; for they have not rejected you, but they have rejected me from being king over them.
- **8** Just as they have done to me, from the day I brought them up out of Egypt to this day, forsaking me and serving other gods, so also they are doing to you.
- **9** Now then, listen to their voice; only—you shall solemnly warn them, and show them the ways of the king who shall reign over them."

DAILY SCRIPTURES FOR THE WEEK (JULY 4 - 9)

- 4. 1 Samuel 13:8-14
- 5. 1 Samuel 15:22-28
- 6. 1 Samuel 16:1-13
- 7. 2 Samuel 11:1-27
- 8. 2 Samuel 15:13-30
 - 9. Psalm 51:1-19





WEEK 6 | JULY 10 | CONCEIT

JEREMIAH 29:4-14 (NRSV)

- **4** Thus says the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel, to all the exiles whom I have sent into exile from Jerusalem to Babylon:
- **5** Build houses and live in them; plant gardens and eat what they produce.
- **6** Take wives and have sons and daughters; take wives for your sons, and give your daughters in marriage, that they may bear sons and daughters; multiply there, and do not decrease.
- 7 But seek the welfare of the city where I have sent you into exile, and pray to the Lord on its behalf, for in its welfare you will find your welfare.
- 8 For thus says the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel: Do not let the prophets and the diviners who are among you deceive you, and do not listen to the dreams that they dream,
- **9** for it is a lie that they are prophesying to you in my name; I did not send them, says the Lord.
- **10** For thus says the Lord: Only when Babylon's seventy years are completed will I visit you, and I will fulfill to you my promise and bring you back to this place.
- **11** For surely I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord, plans for your welfare and not for harm, to give you a future with hope.
- 12 Then when you call upon me and come and pray to me, I will hear you.
- 13 When you search for me, you will find me; if you seek me with all your heart,
- 14 I will let you find me, says the Lord, and I will restore your fortunes and gather you from all the nations and all the places where I have driven you, says the Lord, and I will bring you back to the place from which I sent you into exile.

DAILY SCRIPTURES FOR THE WEEK (JULY 11 - 16)

- 11. Psalm 27:7-14
- **12.** Zephaniah 3:8-13
- 13. 2 Peter 3:8-13
- **14.** Isaiah 40:27-31
 - **15.** James 5:7-11
- **16.** Habakkuk 2:1-4



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WEEK 7 | JULY 17 | CHRIST JOHN 1:1-5, 10-14 (NRSV)

- In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.
- **2** He was in the beginning with God.
- **3** All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being
- 4 in him was life, and the life was the light of all people.
- **5** The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it.
- **10** He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him.
- 11 He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him.
- **12** But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God,
- **13** who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God.
- **14** And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth.

DAILY SCRIPTURES FOR THE WEEK (JULY 18 - 23)

- **18.** Matthew 16:13-16
- **19.** Philippians 2:5-11
- 20. Matthew 1:18-25
- **21.** Isaiah 9:6-7
- **22.** Colossians 1:11-20
 - 23. Colossians 2:6-10



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WEEK 8 JULY 24 CROSS COLOSSIANS 1:15-23 (NRSV)

- **15** He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation;
- **16** for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him.
- 17 He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together.
- **18** He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything.
- **19** For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell,
- **20** and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.
- 21 And you who were once estranged and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds,
- 22 he has now reconciled in his fleshly body through death, so as to present you holy and blameless and irreproachable before him—
- **23** provided that you continue securely established and steadfast in the faith, without shifting from the hope promised by the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed to every creature under heaven. I, Paul, became a servant of this gospel.

DAILY SCRIPTURES FOR THE WEEK (JULY 25 - 30)

- **25.** 1 Corinthians 1:18-25
- 26. Philippians 2:4-11
- **27.** 2 Corinthians 5:16-21
- 28. Romans 5:6-11
- **29.**1 John 4:7-16
- **30.**Ephesians 1:3-10



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WEEK 9 JULY 31 CHURCH ACTS 2:42-47 (NRSV)

- **42** They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers.
- **43** Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles.
- 44 All who believed were together and had all things in common;
- **45** they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need.
- **46** Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts,
- **47** praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

DAILY SCRIPTURES FOR THE WEEK (AUGUST 1 - 6)

- 1. Matthew 16:16-19
- 2. Matthew 18:15-22
- **3.** Acts 5:1-11
 - 4. 1 Corinthians 12:27-31
- 5. Ephesians 3:1-12
 - 6. James 5:13-20



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WEEK 10 | AUGUST 7 | CULMINATION REVELATION 21:1-7 (NRSV)

- 1 Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more.
- 2 And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.
- **3** And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them as their God; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them;
- 4 he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away."
- **5** And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true."
- 6 Then he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life.
- 7 Those who conquer will inherit these things, and I will be their God and they will be my children.

DAILY SCRIPTURES FOR THE WEEK (AUGUST 8 - 13)

- 8. Isaiah 65:17-25
- 9. 2 Peter 2:8-13
- **10.** 1 John 2:11-17
- 11. 1 Corinthians 2:6-9
- **12.** Philippians 3:17-4:1
 - 13. Revelation 22:1-5





