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# CURRICULUM GUIDE

With over 130 hours of content (and counting), *The Story* could feel pretty daunting. But—good news!—it doesn't have to, because we created this handy-dandy curriculum guide. It's basically a breakdown of the classes included in each chapter. Each class listed contains multiple sessions (videos).

## PROLOGUE

*So, why story? What difference does it make? Prologue makes the case for the power of story and lays the framework and foundation for a narrative approach to Scripture.*

- The Power of Story**
- The Story of the Book**
- The Book of the Story**

## Creation

*Love naturally finds expression, and God's love was expressed in the creation of humanity. Chapter 2 paints a picture of the world as God originally intended it to be: overflowing with complete joy, beauty, and freedom.*

- Genesis 1 & 2**
- Sabbath**
- Evolution: A Brief Critique**

## THE STORY

### Pre-Creation

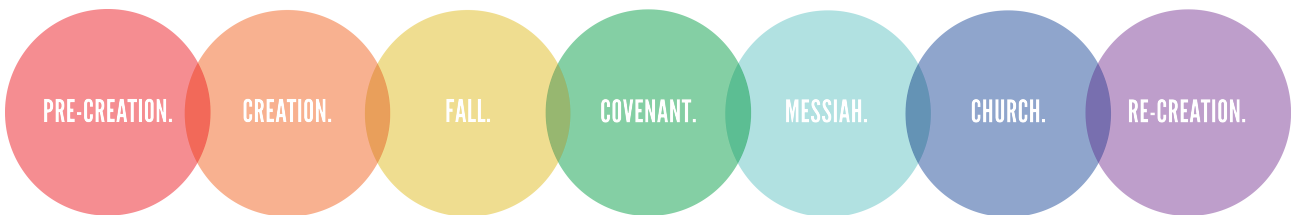
*Most of us have read the Bible's opening line, "In the beginning God created . . ." But what was He doing before that? What kind of God is He? Chapter 1 of The Story introduces us to who God is and His eternal nature of other-centered love.*

- Who Is God?**
- Worldviews**

### Fall

*God's plan was beautiful, but something went terribly wrong. His love was rejected and the freedom He gave humanity was abused. Chapter 3 dissects how this fall from love has made our world what it is today and sets the stage for the rest of Scripture.*

- Origin of Evil**
- Theodicy**
- The Fall and the Falling**



## Covenant

*After the Fall, God does the unthinkable. He makes a promise—a covenant—to save humanity and keep loving us at any cost to Himself. Chapter 4 traces the history of God's covenantal faithfulness and humanity's consistent failure to live in light of God's promise.*

**Abraham and the Covenant**  
**An Intro to the Law**  
**The Sanctuary**  
**The Prophets**  
**Daniel**  
**Old and New Covenants**

## Messiah

*Chapter 5 introduces us to the God who not only makes a promise but keeps it too: Messiah. The Old Testament is filled with story after story of human failure to keep covenant with God. So God Himself became one of us, doing for us what we could never do for ourselves.*

**The Anointed One**  
**The Nature of Christ**  
**The Science of Salvation**  
**Calvary**  
**The Resurrection of Christ**

## Church

*As the disciples shared the good news of God's covenantal faithfulness, they turned the world upside down with the gospel. This is the church. Chapter 6 explains God's mission for His people and how He will see it through to completion.*

**Acts and the Holy Spirit**  
**How We Got the Bible**  
**Your Role in the Church**  
**Romans**  
**Church History**  
**Building Community**  
**Paradigm Shift**  
**Revelation and the Church**  
**The Three Angels' Messages**

## Re-Creation

*The story starts in a perfect world and ends in a perfect world. Chapter 7 reveals how God will wipe out evil once and for all, and then recreate the earth so that it is again filled with eternal beauty, love, and freedom.*

**The Healing Power of God's Love**  
**Revelation and the New Jerusalem**  
**The World Our Hearts Long For**  
**The Cubed City**

## THE TELLING

*When it comes to sharing the story, it's not just about what you do but how you do it. Good stories need good storytellers. More practical in nature, these classes are intended to get into the real-life praxis of ministry. Students learn how to translate the why of discipleship to the how of disciple-making, the in-class theory to real-life experience.*

**Sharing Your Story**  
**How to Study the Bible**  
**How to Preach**  
**Apologetics**  
**From Heart to Heart**  
**How to Give a Bible Study**  
**The 5-Verse Bible Study**  
**Meeting People Where They Are**  
**Grappling with the Old Testament**

## SUPPLEMENTAL CLASSES

*The amazing thing about the gospel story is that you can always dive deeper. We offer a number of supplemental classes that are intended to challenge you, grow you, and propel your learning experience forward.*

**The Story of Health**  
**What's Health Got to Do with It?**  
**How to Know God**  
**The Faith of Jesus**  
**Conflict Resolution**  
**Adventist History**  
**Spirit of Prophecy**