



ARISE ONLINE

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