



# How to Read The Bible For Kids!

PART 2 - DISCIPLESHIP PATHWAY

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# CONTEXT

CONTEXT IS EVERYTHING. WHY? WELL IT IS "THE SETTING WITHIN WHICH A WORK OF WRITING IS SITUATED". IT PROVIDES MEANING AND CLARITY TO THE INTENDED MESSAGE OF THE STORY YOU WISH TO TELL.

## DISNEY MOVIE QUOTES

BELOW ARE QUOTES FROM DISNEY AND PIXAR MOVIES. CAN YOU TELL WHICH MOVIE EACH IS FROM, WHO SAID THE QUOTE AND THEN THINK WHAT ELSE THIS QUOTE WOULD MEAN IF YOU DIDN'T KNOW THE CONTEXT OF THE QUOTE WITHIN THE MOVIE.

**"You  
are braver than you believe,  
and stronger than you seem, and  
smarter than you think."**

What movie is this from?

Who said this quote?

What else might this quote mean if you didn't  
know the context of the movie?

**"NEVER LOOK BACK DARLING,  
IT DISTRACTS FROM THE NOW."**

What movie is this from?

Who said this quote?

What else might this quote mean if  
you didn't know the context of the  
movie?

**"MAY I TAKE YOUR BIRD  
BACK TO CAMP AS MY  
PRISONER?"**

What movie is this from?

Who said this quote?

What else might this quote  
mean if you didn't know the  
context of the movie?

**"ONE  
MINUTE  
YOU'RE DEFENDING THE  
GALAXY, AND SUDDENLY, YOU  
FIND YOURSELF SUCKING DOWN  
DARJEELING WITH MARIE ANTOINETTE  
AND HER LITTLE SISTER."**

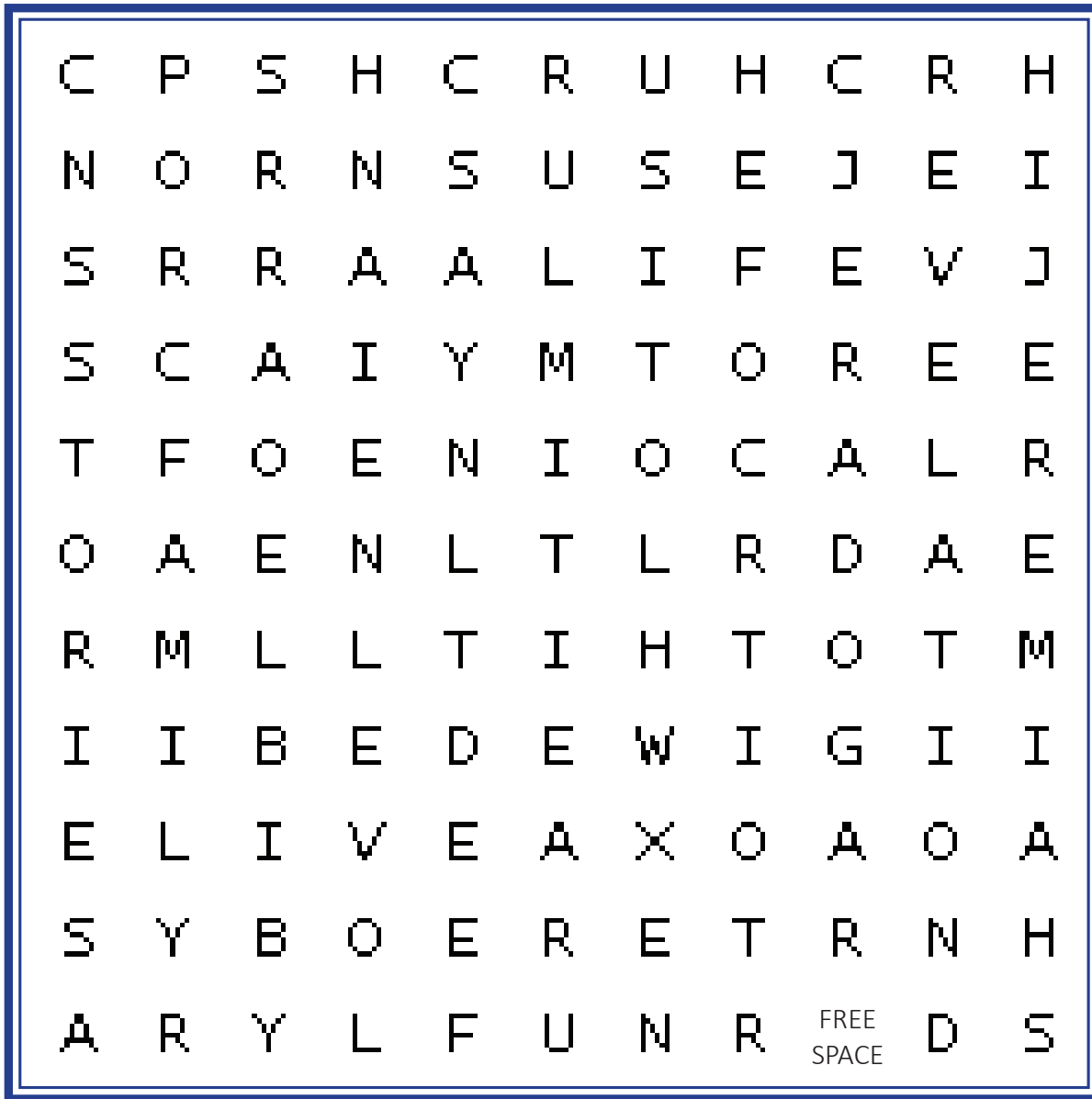
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Using the following activity and listening to the speakers tonight, find all the words in the list. Words can go in any direction and share letters as well as cross over each other. Once you find all the words, copy the unused letters starting at the top left corner into the blanks to reveal the 2 types of context.



## WORD LIST

BIBLE  
CHURCH  
CONTEXT  
CORINTHIANS  
FAMILY  
FUN  
GOD  
JEREMIAH  
JESUS  
LEARN  
LIFE  
LIVE  
LOVE  
PRAY  
READ  
REVELATION  
ROMANS  
STORIES  
WORD

THIS WORD MEANS TO GIVE INFORMATION  
ABOUT THE TIME, PLACE AND EVENTS THAT  
CREATE THE BACKGROUND TO A STORY

THIS WORD MEANS TO GIVE AN  
IDEA AS TO WHY SOMETHING IN  
THE STORY IS TAKING PLACE

# WHAT IN THE WORLD IS COMA

NO THIS NOT COMA AS IN A DEEP SLEEP! NOR IS IT A PUNCTUATION MARK - THAT'S COMMA! THIS IS AN ACRONYM WHICH IS AN ABBREVIATION FROM THE FIRST LETTERS OF EACH WORD THAT WILL SPELL OUT COMA! WE CAN LISTEN TO HELP US FIGURE OUT WHAT WORDS REPRESENT EACH LETTER OF COMA AND/OR YOU CAN USE THE KEY BELOW FIND OUT WHAT EACH WORD FOR THE ACRYONYM COMA IS.

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M
A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M
N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z
N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z

**C**=

C	O	N	T	E	X	T

**O**=

O	B	S	E	R	V	A	T	I	O	N	

**M**=

M	E	A	N	I	N	G

**A**=

A	P	P	L	I	C	A	T	I	O	N	

## When reading scripture, always ask yourself:

- What sort of writing is this? A a letter, a narrative (story), a poem, etc.
- What has been happening or has been taught so far (read the sections before your verse(s) What are the main points? Are there any surprises?
- How does this passage relate to other parts of the book? What does it teach us about God? Can we describe the meaning in our own words?
- How does this passage help with my understanding of God or following Jesus? How does this passage/verse call on me to change my life!

# DISCIPLESHIP PATHWAY BIBLE VERSE WORK

DO YOU HAVE A FAVOURITE BIBLE VERSE(S). IF YOU DO FOLLOW ALONG WITH THIS PAGE TO BETTER UNDERSTAND THE VERSE(S).

**Bible Verse(s):**

**Who said it?**

**Why was it said?**

**Draw a picture**

**Who was it said  
to?**

## ANCIENT JEWISH TRADITION:



# TaNaK - the

A PROPHETIC INTERPRETATION OF ISRAEL'S HISTORY T

### REFERRED TO IN:

- DEAD SEA SCROLLS (4QMMT)
- WISDOM OF SIRACH (PROLOGUE, 38:34-39:5)
- JESUS OF NAZARETH (LUKE 24:44)

WHO DID ALL THIS?



SCRIBES & PROPHETS

Gui  
GOD  
(P  
ISAI)

## TORAH

GENESIS 1-11

GENESIS 12-50

JOSHUA 1

**GOD'S IMAGE = HUMAN (ADAM)**  
**WISDOM TO DISCERN**  
**GOOD & EVIL**  
**BLESSING!**  
**EXILED TO WILDERNESS**  
**OPPRESSION**  
**THE PLOT:**

- GOD WANTS TO RULE THE WORLD THROUGH HUMANS
- HUMANS ARE THE PROBLEM!
- SOLUTION: (WE NEED A NEW KIND OF HUMAN)

**3:15**  
**3** ABRAHAM, ISAAC & JACOB  
**12** SONS  
**12** ABRAHAM BETRAYS SARAH  
**27** JACOB TRICKS ISAAC  
**15** COVENANT PROMISE (GENESIS 15)  
**37** JOSEPH & HIS BROTHERS  
**4** CAIN & ABEL  
**4** LAMECH  
**4** BABYLON EXALTS ITSELF TO THE PLACE OF GOD

**ABRAHAM & SARAH**  
**BLESSING!**  
**COVENANT PROMISE**  
**ABRAHAM TRUSTS GOD**  
**EXILE IN EGYPT**

**JOSHUA SUCCEEDS BECAUSE:**  
**HE'S LIKE MOSES**  
**SOME LEADERS T**  
**YOUR PROMISES ARE TRUE, O GOD!**  
**GIVE I WISDOM GOD!**  
**DAVID & SOLOM**  
**(2 SAMUEL 7) (1 KINGS)**

**EXODUS-DEUTERONOMY**  
**MOSES**  
**PROPHET (DEUTERONOMY 18:15)**  
**PRIEST (EXODUS 28:1-40)**  
**KING (DEUTERONOMY 33:5)**  
**GOD'S COVENANT WITH ISRAEL**  
**613 LAWS TO BECOME NEW HUMANS**  
**EXODUS 32 ISRAELITES**  
**DEUTERONOMY 27-32**  
**MOSES PREDICTS ISRAEL'S FAILURE & EXILE**  
**HOPE IN GOD'S PROMISE TO RESCUE ISRAEL**  
**I WISH SOMEONE LIKE MOSES WOULD COME ALONG...**  
**DEUTERONOMY 34:10-12**  
**FAIL!**

**LATTER PROP**  
**THE PROPHET'S JOB**  
**TO BE LIKE MOSES**  
**ACCUSATION & WARNING**  
**PROMISE & FUTURE HOPE**

# Old Testament

THAT REVEALS GOD'S PURPOSE TO RESCUE THE WORLD

GUIDED BY  
GOD'S SPIRIT  
PSALMS 119, 119;  
ISAIAH 59:21, DANIEL 9

THROUGH HUMAN WORDS  
GOD SPEAKS  
TO HIS PEOPLE

LATER CHRISTIAN TRADITION



COMPLETED  
AROUND  
3rd or 2nd  
CENTURY B.C.

NEVI'IM

FORMER PROPHETS

JOSHUA, JUDGES,  
1&2 SAMUEL, 1&2 KINGS

ISRAEL'S STORY TOLD  
FROM THE LATER PERSPECTIVE  
OF THE PROPHETS



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including:



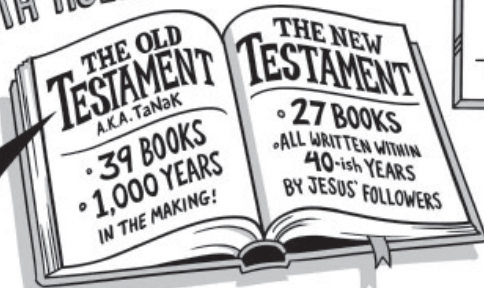
ONE EPIC NARRATIVE  
WITH MULTIPLE "ACTS"

THE OLD TESTAMENT OFFERS:

- CORE THEMES
- PLOT CONFLICT
- DESIGN PATTERNS

THESE CULMINATE IN  
THE NEW TESTAMENT  
STORY OF JESUS.

"A COVENANT  
PARTNERSHIP"



# THE NEW TESTAMENT

GENESIS 1-11

## GOD & HUMANITY



GENESIS 12

- 2 KINGS

## GOD & ISRAEL



## Jesus:

## THE GOSPEL...

ISRAEL'S GOD BECOMES

"GOOD NEWS"



## LETTERS FROM THE APOSTLES



## THE REVELATION



## THE PROPHETS & POETS



# NEW MENT



THE TESTIMONY OF THE APOSTLES THAT  
SPEAKS A DIVINE WORD OF HOPE

THE STORY OF JESUS & THE SPIRIT POINT TO  
HISTORY'S GOAL IN A RENEWED CREATION



MATTHEW · MARK  
· LUKE · JOHN

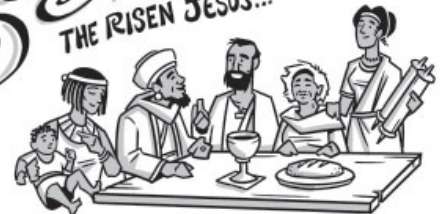
## ISRAEL'S DIVINE KING

= "THE HUMAN"

## ...& ACTS OF THE APOSTLES

THROUGH THE  
**Spirit**  
THE RISEN JESUS...

"SENT ONES"  
JESUS' REPRESENTATIVES



...INVITES **ALL** PEOPLE TO JOIN HIS FAMILY



HOW THE  
NEWS ABOUT  
JESUS:

**A** RESHAPES  
EVERY PART  
OF OUR LIVES

**B** INVITES US INTO  
THE BIBLICAL STORY

CHECK  
IT OUT...



**EXILE IN BABYLON**  
**SLAVERY IN EGYPT**  
**OLD HUMANITY**  
**THE EVIL AGE**

**A NEW HOME**

**LIBERATION INTO THE  
PROMISED LAND**

**NEW HUMANITY**

**RENEWED Creation**

THE SLAIN **LAMB** IS THE  
**DIVINE KING** of the **WORLD**.



**NEW  
Creation**

**NEW JERUSALEM**



**NEW  
HUMANITY  
RULES THE  
WORLD  
in the  
LOVE  
of  
GOD**

# 1a OPENING



LETTER (1:4, 22-21)  
SENT TO:  
7 CHURCHES

# APOCALYPSE (1:1) GREEK: αποκαλυψις

• A TYPE OF JEWISH LITERATURE (EZEKIEL, DANIEL, EZRA, 1 ENOCH)  
• SYMBOLIC VISIONS THAT REVEAL A HEAVENLY PERSPECTIVE ON HISTORY IN LIGHT OF ITS FINAL OUTCOME

MEANINGFUL IMAGES DRAWN FROM THE OLD TESTAMENT

ITS MEANING FOR US MUST BE ANCHORED IN JOHN'S MEANING FOR THEM.

# PROPHECY (1:3)

• GOD'S WORD THROUGH A PROPHET



• BRINGS OLD TESTAMENT PROPHECY TO ITS CLIMAX



# JOHN

THE BELOVED DISCIPLE?  
ANOTHER JOHN?

# THE REVELATION OF JESUS

# 1b-3 MESSAGE TO THE 7 CHURCHES



# 6-16 3 SETS OF 7 DIVINE JUDGMENTS

LITERAL SEQUENCE OF EVENTS (PAST, PRESENT, OR FUTURE) BUT NOTICE

# 6-8a SEVEN SEALS



# 8b-11 SEVEN TRUMPETS



# 4-5 THE THRONE OF GOD & THE LAMB



# 12-14 SEVEN SIGNS (=SYMBOLS)



# 15-16 SEVEN BOWLS



# THE ATTON ESUS



(B)

• BOWLS CONTAINED WITHIN 7th TRUMPET, TRUMPETS WITHIN 7th SEAL  
• EACH SET CONCLUDES WITH FINAL JUDGMENT

THE TIME PERIOD BETWEEN JESUS' RESURRECTION & RETURN FROM THREE PERSPECTIVES

## 7 THE LAMB'S ARMY

MARK GOD'S SERVANTS:  
the 144,000  
MILITARY CENSUS of 12 TRIBES  
(SEE NUMBERS 1)

HEARS  
SEES

SIANIC ARMY OF GOD'S KINGDOM FROM ALL NATIONS

(SEE GENESIS 17:4)



TWO WITNESSES PROPHECY...



...& ARE KILLED...

...BUT THEN VINDICATED...

...THE NATIONS DO REPENT

(11:13)



THE SCROLL REVEALS THE CHURCH'S MISSION:

- IMITATE THE LOVING SACRIFICE OF THE LAMB
- GOD'S MERCY BRINGS REPENTANCE



## 14a THE LAMB'S ARMY

THE ETERNAL GOSPEL (14:6)

FEAR GOD & GIVE HIM GLORY!

THE NEW JERUSALEM

## 14b FINAL JUSTICE

THE GRAIN HARVEST of GOD'S PEOPLE

THE GRAPE HARVEST of HUMANITY'S EVIL

## THE CHOICE

RESIST BABYLON TO FOLLOW THE LAMB  
OR  
FOLLOW THE BEAST & SUFFER ITS DEFEAT

ARMAGEDDON:  
LOCATION OF MANY ISRAELITE BATTLES  
(JUDGES 5:19, 2 KINGS 23:29)

SYMBOL OF REBELLIOUS NATIONS (EZEKIEL 38-39)



A SYMBOLIC VISION FOR EVERY GENERATION OF THE CHURCH

THAT REVEALS

HISTORY'S PATTERN:

ALL HUMAN KINGDOMS  
BECOME BABYLON  
& MUST BE RESISTED

GOD'S PROMISE:

JESUS  
WILL RETURN TO  
REMOVE EVIL  
FROM HIS WORLD



## 17-19a THE FALL OF BABYLON

BABYLON → ROME'S MILITARY & ECONOMIC POWER → ARCHETYPE OF HUMANITY'S REBELLION AGAINST GOD

BLOOD OF THE INNOCENT (18:24)

WOE!

BLEND OF OLD TESTAMENT IMAGES DESCRIBING BABYLON, TYRE & EDM (ISAIAH 13, 23, 34:47; JEREMIAH 50-51; EZEKIEL 26-27)

## 19b-20 THE FINAL BATTLE

19:11-21 THE FINAL BATTLE I

ARMAGEDDON IS NOT A BLOODBATH

JESUS DIED FOR HIS ENEMIES & NOW HOLDS THEM ACCOUNTABLE.

20:1-7 THE MARTYRS VINDICATED

THE MARTYRS REIGN... FOR 1,000 YEARS!

20:8-15 THE FINAL BATTLE II (SEE DANIEL 7)

LITERAL SEQUENCE

1,000 YEAR KINGDOM

JESUS' RETURN

FINAL JUDGEMENT

THOUSAND YEARS = SYMBOL OF JESUS' PRESENT VICTORY

TWO BATTLES = JESUS' RETURN FROM TWO ANGLES

THE POINT: JESUS WILL RETURN AS A KING TO DEAL WITH EVIL & VINDICATE HIS FOLLOWERS

THE DRAGON, BABYLON & ALL WHO CHOOSE THEM ARE ETERNALLY QUARANTINED

## 21-22 THE MARRIAGE OF HEAVEN & EARTH

I AM MAKING ALL THINGS NEW. (21:5)

ALL CREATION IS THE TEMPLE OF GOD & THE LAMB

HUMANITY RULES AS GOD'S IMAGE (GENESIS 1:27-28)

THE BRIDE OF THE LAMB

KALEIDOSCOPE OF OLD TESTAMENT PROMISES

- NEW HEAVEN & EARTH (ISAIAH 65:17)
- NEW GARDEN OF EDEN (GENESIS 2, EZEKIEL 47)
- NEW JERUSALEM (ISAIAH 2, ZEPHANIAH 3)

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### **Movie Answers**

1. Winnie the Pooh: The closest friend of Christopher Robin, Winnie the Pooh, is such a sweet bear who always has something nice to say. This quote from Pooh here can surely lift anyone's spirits. Remember that you are more than what you think you are.
2. The Incredibles: When Mr Incredible goes to Edna Mode to get his old supersuit fixed, Edna decides the suite need an update look. Mr Incredible sarcastically states that it was she that designed the original suit. This is when Edna delivers this quote.
3. Up: Dug was far from being one of the best hunting dogs and was often mocked by the others in his pack. After being sent away, he just happened to stumble across the bird they were looking for. Overjoyed, he would continuously ask the bird and its human companions if he could take it as his prisoner.
4. For most of Toy Story, Buzz Lightyear is convinced that he is an intergalactic space ranger stranded on a strange, foreign planet after his ship crashed. He doesn't believe Woody, who explains he's a toy, but realizes after seeing a commercial for him and failing to fly. Struggling to cope, Buzz submits to playtime with Sid's little sister and her two headless dolls. He felt that he sank so low from being a space hero!