

Believe

Scope and Sequence for Adults

Chapters 1-10 Scripture Selections

BELIEFS – What do I believe?

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LOVE GOD		
1 – God	Creation (Genesis 1:1, Psalm 19)	Jesus' Baptism (Luke 3)
	Key Idea: "I believe the God of the Bible is the only true God-Father, Son and Holy Spirit."	
	Key Verse: 2 Corinthians 13:14	
2 – Personal God	The Lord Is My Shepherd (Psalm 23)	Why worry? (Matthew 6:25-34)
	Key Idea: "I believe God is involved in and cares about my daily life."	
	Key Verse: Psalm 121:1-2	
3 – Salvation	Adam & Eve (Genesis 2:8-9, 15-17; 3:1-24)	The Cross & Resurrection (Matthew 26:1-4; 27:27-66; 28:1-10)
	Key Idea: "I believe a person comes into a right relationship with God by God's grace through faith in Jesus Christ."	
	Key Verse: Ephesians 2:8-9	
4 – Bible	The Ten Commandments (Exodus 3:1-4:17)	The Temptation of Jesus (Matthew 4:1-11)
	Key Idea: "I believe the Bible is the Word of God and has the right to command my belief and action."	
	Key Verse: 2 Timothy 3:16-17	
5 – Identity in Christ	Name Change (Abraham & Sarah) (Genesis 17:1-7; 21:1-7)	Zacchaeus (Luke 19:1-9)
	Key Idea: "I believe I am significant because of my position as a child of God."	
	Key Verse: John 1:12	

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6 – Church	The Founding of Israel (Genesis 12:1-9; 15:1-21)	The Founding of the Church (Acts 1-2)
	Key Idea: “I believe the church is God’s primary way to accomplish his purposes on earth.”	
	Key Verse: Ephesians 4:15	
7 – Humanity	Cain & Abel (Genesis 4:1-16)	The Lost & Found Sheep (Matthew 18:10-14)
	Key Idea: “I believe all people are loved by God and need Jesus Christ as their Savior.”	
	Key Verse: John 3:16	
8 – Compassion	Ruth & Boaz (Ruth 2:1-4:17)	The Good Samaritan (Luke 10:25-37)
	Key Idea: “I believe God calls all Christians to show compassion to people in need.”	
	Key Verse: Psalm 82:3-4	
9 – Stewardship	Hannah & Samuel (1 Samuel 1:1-28; 2:18-21)	The Widow’s Offering (Mark 12:41-44)
	Key Idea: “I believe everything I am and everything I own belongs to God.”	
	Key Verse: Psalm 24:1-2	
10 – Eternity	Elijah Goes Up to Heaven (2 Kings 2:1-18)	John’s Vision (Revelation 20:11-22:21)
	Key Idea: “I believe there is a heaven and a hell and that Jesus will return to judge all people and to establish his eternal kingdom.”	
	Key Verse: John 14:1-2	

Chapters 11-20 Scripture Selections
PRACTICES – What do I do?

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11 – Worship	God Keeps Daniel Safe (Daniel 6:1-27)	Paul & Silas in Prison (Acts 16:16-35)
	Key Idea: “I worship God for who he is and what he has done for me.”	
	Key Verse: Psalm 95:1-2	
12 – Prayer	Gideon (Judges 6-7)	Seek & Knock/Lord’s Prayer (Luke 11:1-13)
	Key Idea: “I pray to God to know him, to find direction for my life and to lay my requests before him.”	
	Key Verse: Psalm 66:18-20	
13 – Bible Study	The Lord Commands Joshua (Joshua 1:1-11)	Parable of the Four Soils (Matthew 13:1-23)
	Key Idea: “I study the Bible to know God and his truth and to find direction for my daily life.”	
	Key Verse: Hebrews 4:12	
14 – Single-mindedness	Jehoshaphat Defeats the Enemy (2 Chronicles 20:1-30)	Jesus Walks on Water (Matthew 14:22-36)
	Key Idea: “I focus on God and his priorities for my life.”	
	Key Verse: Matthew 6:33	
15 – Total Surrender	Fiery Furnace (Daniel 3:8-28)	Stephen (Acts 6:8-7:60)
	Key Idea: “I dedicate my life to God’s purposes.”	
	Key Verse: Romans 12:1	

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| 16 – Biblical
Community | Rebuilding the Wall of Jerusalem
(Nehemiah 2:11-3:32; 6:15) | Church Unity & Sharing
(Acts 2:42-47; 4:32-37) |
| | Key Idea: “I fellowship with Christians to accomplish God’s purposes in my life, in the life of others and in the world.” | |
| | Key Verse: Acts 22:44-47 | |
| 17 – Spiritual Gifts | Daniel Interprets the King’s Dream
(Daniel 2:1-47) | The Body
(1 Cor. 12:4-13:13) |
| | Key Idea: “I know my spiritual gifts and use them to fulfill God’s purposes.” | |
| | Key Verse: Romans 12:4-6a | |
| 18 – Offering
My Time | Finishing the Temple
(Haggai 1:1-15) | Jesus in His Father’s Temple
(Luke 2:41-52) |
| | Key Idea: “I invest my time in fulfilling God’s purposes.” | |
| | Key Verse: Colossians 3:17 | |
| 19 – Giving My
Resources | Gifts to the Tabernacle
(Exodus 35:4-29; 36:6) | Gifts to Help Jerusalem
(2 Corinthians 8:1-9:15) |
| | Key Idea: “I give my resources to fulfill God’s purposes.” | |
| | Key Verse: 2 Corinthians 8:7 | |
| 20 – Sharing
My Faith | Jonah
(Jonah 3:1-4:11) | Philip & the Ethiopian
(Acts 8:26-40) |
| | Key Idea: “I share my faith with others to fulfill God’s purposes.” | |
| | Key Verse: Ephesians 6:19-20 | |

Chapters 21-30 Scripture Selections
VIRTUES – Who am I becoming?

	OT	NT
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21 – Love	David & Jonathan (1 Sam. 18:1-4; 19:1-7; 20:1-42)	Unmerciful Servant Parable (Matthew 18:21-35)
	Key Idea: “I am committed to loving God and loving others.”	
	Key Verse: 1 John 4:10-12	
22 – Joy	The Feast of Tabernacles (Nehemiah 8:13-17)	Vine & Branches John 15:1-11
	Key Idea: "Despite my circumstances, I feel inner contentment and understand my purpose in life."	
	Key Verse: John 15:11	
23 – Peace	Solomon’s Kingdom at Peace (1 Kings 3:1-5; 4:20-25)	Jesus Calms the Storm (Mark 4:35-41)
	Key Idea: “I am free from anxiety because I have found peace with God, peace with others and peace with myself.”	
	Key Verse: Philippians 4:6-7	
24 – Self-Control	Joseph & Potiphar’s Wife (Genesis 39:1-23)	The Prodigal Son (Luke 15:11-32)
	Key Idea: “I have the power through Christ to control myself.”	
	Key Verse: Titus 2:11-13	
25 – Hope	Isaiah the Prophet Brings Hope (Isaiah 40:1-31)	Simeon (Luke 2:22-35)
	Key Idea: “I can cope with the hardships of life because of the hope I have in Jesus Christ.”	
	Key Verse: Hebrews 6:19-20a	

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26 – Patience	David’s Patience with Saul (1 Samuel 24:1-22; 26:1-5)	Paul & John Mark (Acts 15:36-41; 2 Tim. 4:11)
	Key Idea: “I am slow to anger and endure patiently under the unavoidable pressures of life.”	
	Key Verse: Proverbs 14:29	
27 – Kindness/ Goodness	David & Mephibosheth (2 Samuel 9:1-13; 16:1-4; 19:24-30)	Jesus at the Pharisee’s House (Luke 14:1-14)
	Key Idea: “I choose do be kind and good in my relationships with others.”	
	Key Verse: 1 Thessalonians 5:17	
28 – Faithfulness	Joseph (Genesis 37:1-36; 39:1-6a; 40:1-23; 41:14-46a; 42:1-6)	Mary (Luke 1:26-56, 2:1-21)
	Key Idea: “I have established a good name with God and others based on my loyalty to those relationships.”	
	Key Verse: Proverbs 3:3-4	
29 – Gentleness	Nabal & Abigail (1 Samuel 25)	Jesus Reinstates Peter (John 21:1-19)
	Key Idea: “I am thoughtful, considerate and calm in my dealings with others.”	
	Key Verse: Philippians 4:5	
30 – Humility	Nebuchadnezzar (Daniel 4:1-37)	Jesus Washes Disciples’ Feet (John 13:1-17)
	Key Idea: “I choose to esteem others above myself.”	
	Key Verse: Philippians 2:3-4	