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Scope and Sequence for Adults

**Chapters 1-10 Scripture Selections**

**BELIEFS – What do I believe?**

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1 – God Creation Jesus’ Baptism

 (Genesis 1:1, Psalm 19) (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 Why worry?

 (Psalm 23) (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 The Cross & Resurrection

 (Genesis 2:8-9, 15-17; 3:1-24) (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 The Temptation of Jesus

 (Exodus 3:1-4:17) (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) Zacchaeus

 (Genesis 17:1-7; 21:1-7) (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 The Founding of the Church

 (Genesis 12:1-9; 15:1-21) (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 The Lost & Found Sheep

 (Genesis 4:1-16) (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 The Good Samaritan

 (Ruth 2:1-4:17) (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 The Widow’s Offering

 (1 Samuel 1:1-28; 2:18-21) (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 John’s Vision

 (2 Kings 2:1-18) (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 Paul & Silas in Prison

 (Daniel 6:1-27) (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 Seek & Knock/Lord’s Prayer

 (Judges 6-7) (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 Parable of the Four Soils

 (Joshua 1:1-11) (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- Jehoshaphat Defeats the Enemy Jesus Walks on Water

 mindedness (2 Chronicles 20:1-30) (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 Stephen

 (Daniel 3:8-28) (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 Rebuilding the Wall of Jerusalem Church Unity & Sharing

 Community (Nehemiah 2:11-3:32; 6:15) (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 The Body

 (Daniel 2:1-47) (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 Finishing the Temple Jesus in His Father’s Temple

 My Time (Haggai 1:1-15) (Luke 2:41-52)

**Key Idea:** “I invest my time in fulfilling God’s purposes.”

**Key Verse:** Colossians 3:17

19 – Giving My Gifts to the Tabernacle Gifts to Help Jerusalem

 Resources (Exodus 35:4-29; 36:6) (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 Jonah Philip & the Ethiopian

 My Faith (Jonah 3:1-4:11) (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?**

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21 – Love David & Jonathan Unmerciful Servant Parable

(1 Sam. 18:1-4; 19:1-7; 20:1-42) (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 Vine & Branches

 (Nehemiah 8:13-17) 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 Jesus Calms the Storm

 (1 Kings 3:1-5; 4:20-25) (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 The Prodigal Son

 (Genesis 39:1-23) (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 Simeon

 (Isaiah 40:1-31) (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 Paul & John Mark

 (1 Samuel 24:1-22; 26:1-5) (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/ David & Mephibosheth Jesus at the Pharisee’s House

 Goodness (2 Samuel 9:1-13; 16:1-4; 19:24-30) (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 Mary

 (Genesis 37:1-36; 39:1-6a; (Luke 1:26-56, 2:1-21)

 40:1-23; 41:14-46a; 42:1-6)

**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 Jesus Reinstates Peter

 (1 Samuel 25) (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 Jesus Washes Disciples’ Feet

(Daniel 4:1-37) (John 13:1-17)

**Key Idea:** “I choose to esteem others above myself.”

**Key Verse:** Philippians 2:3-4