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FINDING YOUR WAY

A JOURNEY THROUGH
THE BIBLE'S STORY
OF SALVATION



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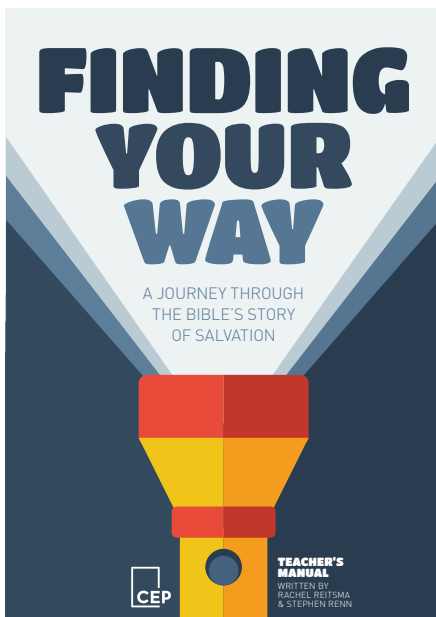
Lesson	Core concepts	Lesson aims	Learning Intentions Students will:
<p>Introduction The big picture</p>	<p>The entire Bible is one overarching story, composed of many episodes, with the central theme of God's plan of salvation for the human race.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> To help students understand the 'big idea' of the story of salvation as contained in the Bible. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> identify the books of the Bible outline the connection between the Old and the New Testament understand the value of a timeline as a tool for understanding the message of the Bible appreciate the significance of God's promise as a theme that runs through all the stories found in the Bible.
<p>1 Beginnings Genesis 1–11</p>	<p>Humanity rejects God and introduces sin into God's creation. God responds with both punishment and mercy.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> To help students understand the importance of the creation story as the foundation for God's involvement with the human race. To give students an insight into why God chose to save Noah, his family, and pairs of male and female animals from drowning in the great flood. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> describe God's role in the creation of the world develop a personal appreciation of being made 'in the image of God' understand the importance of human beings in God's plan of creation appreciate the consequences of Adam and Eve's disobedience toward God explain why God was so angry with the human race that he sent a worldwide flood to destroy all living creatures realise why God chose to spare Noah and his family, along with pairs of male and female animals recognise the significance of the rainbow according to the Bible.
<p>2 Big promises Genesis 12– Deuteronomy</p>	<p>God's plans for his people are revealed through the promises he makes to Abraham and the law he gives to Moses. Together, they teach God's people how they should live.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> To give students an accurate understanding of the key promises God made to Abraham. To help students realise why it was so important for the Israelites to escape from captivity in Egypt. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> identify the key elements of the promise made to Abraham trace the family line of Abraham down to the time of their slavery in Egypt summarise the events leading to Israel's escape from slavery understand the significance of Moses for the people of Israel realise why God sent a series of plagues against Egypt explain the significance of the elements of the Passover festival appreciate why God gave his people the moral code known as the Ten Commandments.

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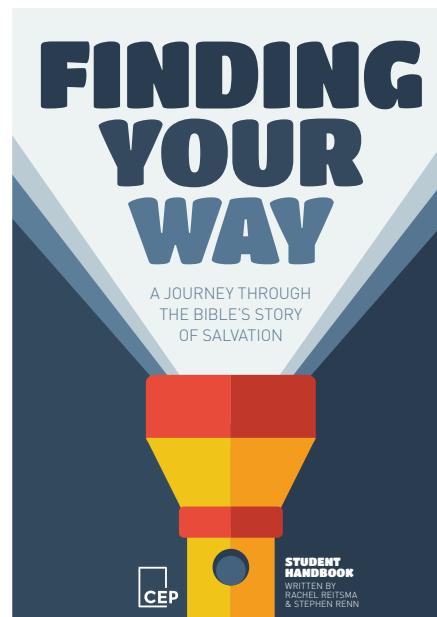
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3 A matter of trust Joshua— 2 Chronicles	After arriving in the land of Canaan, the Israelites' relationship with God began to deteriorate with disastrous results. Two of Israel's greatest kings disobey God in crucial areas of their lives, and both suffer severe divine punishment. Yet God also shows mercy and is always faithful to his promises.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To give students an understanding of how the Israelite tribes in Canaan rejected God. 2. To help students understand the significance of the reigns of David and Solomon in God's plan of salvation for his people. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • appreciate how serious the Israelites' bad behaviour was and why it caused them such great difficulties in the land after the death of Joshua • realise how and why God repeatedly got his people out of these difficulties • understand and appreciate the promise God made to David • describe the distinctive features of the reign of Solomon, David's son • learn from the moral and religious failings of both David and Solomon as rulers of Israel.
4 The wisdom books Job—Song Of Songs	This section of the Bible provides the reader with numerous insights into how we may best respond to God (and to one another) in a variety of life situations, both good and bad.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To introduce the key concepts and concerns of the Bible's wisdom literature. 2. To show how these teachings and wisdom point to Jesus, who is himself the 'wisdom of God' (1 Corinthians 1:24). 3. To help students apply what they learn about these issues to their own lives. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • identify the key themes of the wisdom books of the Old Testament • appreciate some of the important life issues dealt with in these books • begin to apply these principles to their own lives • recognise that the Bible does not always provide answers to the problems of life in the way we might expect • understand that wisdom literature contains promises about Jesus and that ultimate wisdom is found in him.
5 Remember the promises 1 Kings—Malachi	The biblical prophets predict the exile and destruction of the kingdoms of Israel and Judah as divine judgement. Yet God's promise to rescue and restore his people is also a key part of their message.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To give students an overview of the role of the prophets in the Old Testament. 2. To help students understand why the message of the prophets consistently reflected both the judgement and the mercy of God. 3. To enable students to identify the reasons why God punished the kingdoms of Israel and Judah by allowing the nations of Assyria and Babylon to take them captive. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • identify key themes in the messages of the prophets, with a specific focus on how Isaiah's prophecies point to Jesus • appreciate the significance of the story of Jonah for understanding the role of the prophets in the Old Testament • explain why the united kingdom of Israel under the reign of Solomon was divided in two after he died • understand why God punished the kingdoms of Israel and Judah by sending them into exile • understand why God brought his people back to their land after 70 years in Babylonian captivity.

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<p style="text-align: center;">6</p> <p style="text-align: center;">The promise fulfilled</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Matthew—John</p>	<p>Jesus is the promised Messiah-King, from David's line.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To show students how the birth of Jesus fulfils God's promises to send a Saviour and King for his people. 2. To help students understand how Jesus' miracles, parables and teaching ministry demonstrate his Lordship and testify to his role as the Saviour of humankind. 3. To demonstrate that the historical death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, and belief in them, are essential for a person's salvation. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • identify both the supernatural and natural aspects of Jesus' birth • understand the significance of Jesus' miracles, parables, and teaching ministry • appreciate why Jesus' death and resurrection are both essential for a person's salvation.
<p style="text-align: center;">7</p> <p style="text-align: center;">The promises continues</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Acts—Revelation</p>	<p>The coming of the Holy Spirit enables people to believe in Jesus and live to please God. The final destination for all God's people is referred to in the Book of Revelation as the 'new heaven and the new earth'—a place of never-ending joy and peace for those who belong to God.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To develop a preliminary understanding of the role of the Holy Spirit in the lives of Christian believers, particularly how the Holy Spirit continues to point Christians to Jesus. 2. To explain that the fruits of the Spirit are the result and evidence of the Spirit's work in the lives of believers. 3. To introduce students to the meaning and significance of the new creation. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • appreciate the significance of the coming of the Spirit at the festival of Pentecost, after Jesus' ascension • explain what the Holy Spirit enables believers to do • describe how Christians lived after the coming of the Holy Spirit • reflect on the qualities known as the fruit of the Spirit • identify those who will be able to enter the new creation • understand in general terms what life in the heavenly kingdom will be like • list places elsewhere in the Bible which speak about God's promise to bring about the new heaven and the new earth.
<p style="text-align: center;">Conclusion</p> <p style="text-align: center;">God's promise of salvation: Jesus</p>	<p>Students have been introduced to the Bible as a whole, tracing the history of God's people and promises from Genesis to Revelation. They have also developed their understanding of how God has rescued his people through the life, death and resurrection of Jesus.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To review and assess student learning from the completed unit of study. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • identify the flow of the Bible story and acknowledge that the Bible portrays God as both righteous judge and merciful rescuer • classify different sections of the Bible, such as the wisdom books and the Gospels • explain in a nutshell how Jesus' coming was the fulfilment of many promises in the Old Testament • trace the history of God's people through the order of the books of the Bible (using the timeline provided).



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