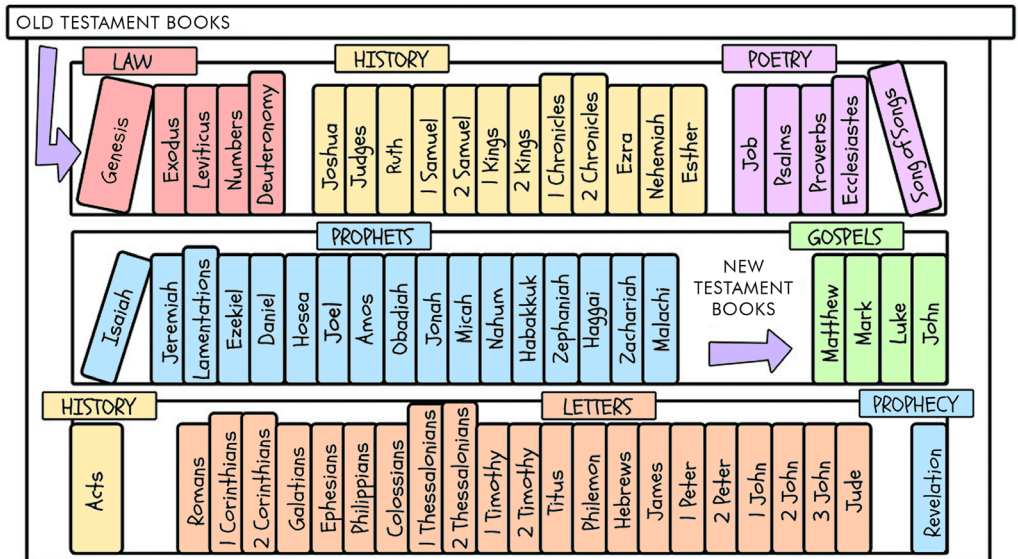


BOOKS OF THE BIBLE



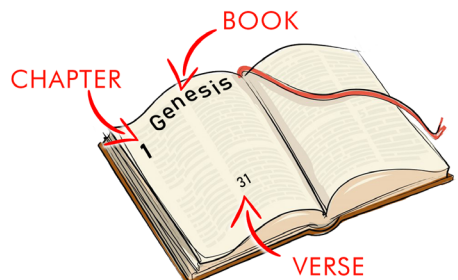
‘Bible’ means ‘BOOKS’! So it’s like a library, with many different types of books (history, poetry, letters and prophecy). It was written by around **40 authors** over **1600 years**, on **3 continents**! Yet it all links together to tell us one big story about God and humanity.

So get ready for a 28 day adventure to discover some of the stories found in the first part of the Bible, The Old Testament.

You can find the reading for each day in a Bible, on biblegateway.com (the puzzles use the Good News Translation), or in the Children’s Bible (CB) from Bibles For Children.

HOW TO FIND A READING

- First, look in the contents page and find the **BOOK** (e.g. **Genesis**).
- Then look at the first number - that is the **CHAPTER** (e.g. **Genesis 1**).
- Then look at the second number - that is the **VERSE** within the chapter (e.g. **Genesis 1v31**).



CREATION

The Bible begins with the One
who was there before everything -
GOD!

In this account of creation, we have
an insight into our world taking shape.

**DAY
1**

**GENESIS
1v1-25
CB p4-5**

Unscramble the words to find out how
God felt about His Creation (Genesis 1v25).

E H S W A E P L S E D A

If God made
everything, then
who made God?!



The Bible explains that God is
eternal. That means he doesn't
have a beginning or end...
He was just always there!



THINK!

The first chapter of
the Bible makes it clear
that God is the grand
architect of the world,
and it sets the scene
for everything that
follows...

PRAY

Dear God,
thank you for our
beautiful world.
Help me to enjoy
it and look after
it today.

DAY 2

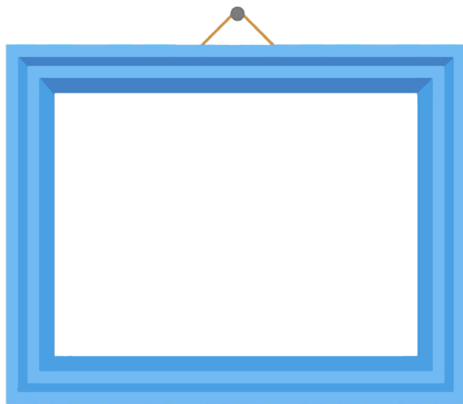
GENESIS
1:26-31

CB p6

MADE IN THE IMAGE OF GOD

When you look in the mirror, what do you see? It's not actually you, but rather an **image** of you! The Bible teaches us that God created human beings to be a **reflection** of His **love** and **goodness** in the world.

Draw a picture
of yourself
in the frame!



*"Always remember you matter, you're important
and you are loved, and you bring to this world
things no-one else can."*

(The Boy, The Mole, The Fox & The Horse - Charlie Mackesy)

THINK!

What things do you
enjoy doing? How
could you use them
now or in the future
for good?

PRAY

Thank you God
that I'm loved
by you.
Thank you for
making me, me!

UH-OH!

**DAY
3**

**GENESIS
3:1-13**

CB p8

Adam and Eve knew they were loved, and that they could trust God...until they listened to what the snake said!

When they were found out, they didn't want to own up...

Use a mirror to find out what they did instead!

← place a mirror here!

BLAMED EACH OTHER

THINK!

Why is it so hard to own up when we do something wrong? Why is it best to say sorry straight away?

PRAY

Dear Lord, help me to not give in to temptation, and to be able to say sorry when I should.

God still loved Adam & Eve, but they hadn't trusted God or loved each other as they should have - the Bible calls this sin*. There were consequences for this, but God already had a plan to make things right again... and it started with the family we'll learn about tomorrow!

*sin: 'missing the mark by not living the way God intended us to'



DAY 4

GENESIS
12:1-2
CB p18

ABRAHAM

Abraham is later called 'God's friend'. Even though many people who lived around him in the city of Ur didn't love or listen to God, Abraham did. So God gave him an instruction and a promise.

Can you find the instruction in verse 1?

"L _ _ _ _ Y _ _ _ C _ _ _ _ _

and go to a L _ _ _ that I will show you"

And can you find the promise in verse 2-3?

"Your descendants will become a
G _ _ _ _ N _ _ _ _ _ "...and through you
I will bless A _ _ T _ _ N _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _"

Wow - this was life-changing stuff! Abraham and Sarah were old and didn't have any children yet, so they found it hard to believe God's promise - but it came true!

THINK!

Have you ever
had to wait for
something?
How did you feel?

PRAY

Dear Lord,
please help me
wait patiently
when I need to.