THE GOD OF THE BIBLE

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1-A WHAT IS GOD LIKE?

Have you ever gotten a letter in the mail? Imagine opening your mailbox and finding a letter from the most important person in the world. This person wrote the letter so that you two could get to know each other.

What would you do with this letter? Would you throw it away, or would you read it carefully? Would you write back?



The most important person did write you a letter.

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God created the entire universe—the stars, our planet, and everything that lives around us. He even created two humans named Adam and Eve. All of God's *creation* was wonderful.

God gave Adam and Eve one rule. They were not allowed to eat the fruit from one tree in the Garden of Eden. Unfortunately, Adam and Eve chose to disobey God and *sin*.

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2-B THE WORK OF JESUS

Humans chose to sin, but God still cared for us. He promised to send someone to save us from our sins. That person is Jesus, and He came to Earth to live as a human.

Read each passage from the Book of Matthew and complete the puzzle.





Despite all the good that Jesus did, some people hated Him. Eventually, these wicked people decided to kill Him. They put Him to death by nailing Him to a cross.

But even this terrible thing was part of God's plan. Jesus chose to die for our sins. He faced our punishment so we would not have to. Because of Jesus, we can follow God and live with Him forever.

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death.	happiness.	life.		
	remember what you	we could live. But do you read in Matthew 20:19 ? se to do after He died?		
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	 Read Matthew 28: promise? Yes 	1-9. Did Jesus keep His		

Jesus promised to give His followers life that never ends. Many people make promises that they cannot keep, but Jesus showed that He has power over life and death. One day, everyone who has *faith* in Christ will live with Him forever.





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3-A THE OLD TESTAMENT

The first part of **Scripture** is called the Old Testament, and it describes how God helped the nation of Israel. God gave these people special promises, along with laws to help them follow Him. The Israelites did not always obey God, but God loved them. As we study the stories and laws in the Old Testament, we can learn why people need Jesus.

Let's learn about the four big sections of the Old Testament.



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THE BOOKS OF HISTORY

In this section of the Old Testament, we read how the people of Israel settled into the land of Canaan. Most people in Canaan did not follow God, and sometimes Israel followed their example. The Israelites often worshiped **idols** and hurt each other. A few times, the leaders of Israel even forgot about God's laws.













Number the historical books in order from **1** to **12**. The first book is marked for you.

	Judges		Ruth
	2 Chronicles		1 Chronicles
1	Joshua		1 Kings
	Esther		Ezra
	2 Samuel		Nehemiah
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THE BOOKS OF POETRY

In the Old Testament, there are five books that include songs, poetry, and wise words. These books describe God and His gifts in amazing ways. The writers also ask important questions about Him. The poetic books are ...

- Job A story about a man who trusts God even while suffering
- Psalms Songs about our walk with God
- Proverbs Advice from wise, godly people
- Ecclesiastes Thoughts on the meaning of life
- The Song of Solomon A song about love in marriage

THE PROPHETS

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THE EPISTLES AND REVELATION

The **epistles** are letters written by early Christians to each other. They further explain the gospel, and they describe ways that we can be like Jesus.

God worked through a handful of people to write the epistles. Look up the following verses and match each epistle to its writer. One answer will be used twice.

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3-C LEARNING FROM THE WORD

When we take time to study and understand Scripture, we will see how powerful, holy, and loving God is. We will learn about God's work—and how we can do our part in His plan.

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