Illuminate Bible Series | Scope & Sequence (Elementary Ages)

Each volume of the curriculum highlights an important character attribute of God, using the stories of Scripture to place Him at the center of all things while continually highlighting the work and Person of Jesus.

The volumes are divided into two semesters, each with four units. Each week of the 32-week volumes centers on a key story passage, listed below, as well as four other daily passages that relate to the story and shed light on the its context, connect it with other books and themes of the Bible, focus on its doctrinal truth, and look to how the believer can apply the truths of the week. The passages listed below show the key story passage for each week.
Volume 1: God Our Savior—an exploration of God’s work of salvation

Semester 1: The Need for a Savior

UNIT 1: God Creates the World
- Week 1, Lesson 1 - The First Five Days of Creation: Genesis 1:1-23
- Week 2, Lesson 2 - God Creates Adam and Eve: Genesis 1:24-2:7

UNIT 2: Man Turns from God
- Week 1, Lesson 3: The First Sin: Genesis 3:1-15
- Week 2, Lesson 4: The First Murder: Genesis 4:1-8

UNIT 3: Man’s Wickedness Covers the Earth
- Week 1, Lesson 5: God Calls Noah to Build an Ark: Genesis 6:11-22
- Week 2, Lesson 6: God Sends a Flood: Genesis 7:7-24
- Week 3, Lesson 7: God Scatters Sinful Mankind: Genesis 11:1-9
- Week 4, Lesson 8: God Punishes Sin: Genesis 19:1-3, 12-26

UNIT 4: God Delivers the Israelites
- Week 1, Lesson 9: A Deliverer is Born: Exodus 2:1-10, 24-25
- Week 2, Lesson 10: God Calls Moses to Deliver His People: Exodus 3:1-10
- Week 4, Lesson 12: The Passover: God Provides: Exodus 12:1-14
- Week 5, Lesson 13: Out of Egypt: Exodus 12:29-42
- Week 6, Lesson 14: God Delivers the Israelites: Exodus 14:10-22
- Week 7, Lesson 15: The Ten Commandments: Exodus 20:1-17
- Week 8, Lesson 16: Man Fails to Follow God: Exodus 32:1-10

Semester 2: The Savior Revealed

UNIT 5: The Savior Is Born
- Week 1, Lesson 17: God Remembers His Promise: Luke 2:1-20
- Week 2, Lesson 18: Jesus Grows Up: Luke 2:41-52
- Week 3, Lesson 19: Redemption Comes: Matthew 3:13-17

UNIT 6: Jesus’ Life and Ministry
- Week 1, Lesson 20: Jesus Saves the Lost: Luke 19:1-10
- Week 2, Lesson 21: Jesus Forgives the Sinful: Luke 5:17-26
- Week 3, Lesson 22: Jesus, the Light of the World: John 9:1-15
- Week 4, Lesson 23: Jesus Serves His Disciples: John 13:1-15

UNIT 7: Jesus, Our Savior
- Week 2, Lesson 25: Jesus Is Arrested: Matthew 26:47-56
- Week 3, Lesson 26: Jesus on Trial: John 18:28-40

UNIT 8: Our Future Hope
- Week 1, Lesson 29: Jesus Goes to Heaven: Acts 1:1-11
- Week 2, Lesson 30: The Worthy Lamb: Revelation 5:1-10
- Week 3, Lesson 31: Jesus Is Coming Soon!: Revelation 19:11-16
- Week 4, Lesson 32: New Heavens and New Earth: Revelation 21:1-8
Volume 2: Our Faithful God—a focus on God as One who keeps His promises

Semester 1: Faithful to His Promises

UNIT 1: Faithful to Abraham
• Week 1, Lesson 1: Abram Is Called: Genesis 11:31—12:9
• Week 2, Lesson 2: The Promise of a Son: Genesis 18:1-15
• Week 3, Lesson 3: Isaac Is Born: Genesis 21:1-8
• Week 4, Lesson 4: Abraham's Faith Is Tested: Genesis 22:1-14

UNIT 2: Faithful to Jacob
• Week 1, Lesson 5: God Gives Isaac a Wife: Genesis 24:1-4, 10-28
• Week 2, Lesson 6: Jacob and Esau Are Born: Genesis 25:19-26
• Week 3, Lesson 7: Jacob's Trickery: Genesis 27:1-24
• Week 4, Lesson 8: Jacob's Dream: Genesis 28:10-22
• Week 5, Lesson 9: Jacob Is Tricked: Genesis 29:15-30
• Week 6, Lesson 10: Jacob Wrestles All Night: Genesis 32:22-31

UNIT 3: The Promised Land
• Week 1, Lesson 11: Joshua Is Called: Joshua 1:1-11
• Week 2, Lesson 12: Entering the Promised Land: Joshua 3:7-17
• Week 3, Lesson 13: The Fall of Jericho: Joshua 6:1-7, 15-21

UNIT 4: The Call to Faith
• Week 1, Lesson 14: A Centurion's Faith: Matthew 8:5-13
• Week 2, Lesson 15: Walking on Water: Matthew 14:22-33
• Week 3, Lesson 16: Help My Unbelief: Mark 9:14-27

Semester 2: Living a Life of Faith

UNIT 5: Job: Faith in Trial
• Week 1, Lesson 17: Hope in the Pain: Job 1:13-22
• Week 2, Lesson 18: Joy in the Suffering: Job 42:1-11

UNIT 6: Joseph: Faith that Perseveres
• Week 1, Lesson 19: Joseph, the Dreamer: Genesis 37:1-8
• Week 2, Lesson 20: Sold Away: Genesis 37:18-28
• Week 3, Lesson 21: Faithful in Temptation: Genesis 39:7-20
• Week 4, Lesson 22: Wisdom from Above: Genesis 41:1-16
• Week 5, Lesson 23: In the Right Place: Genesis 42:3-21
• Week 6, Lesson 24: God's Good Purposes: Genesis 45:1-8

UNIT 7: Daniel: Faith in God Alone
• Week 1, Lesson 25: Daniel and the King's Food: Daniel 1:8-20
• Week 2, Lesson 26: God Appears in the Fire: Daniel 3:13-25
• Week 3, Lesson 27: God Writes a Message: Daniel 5:1-12
• Week 4, Lesson 28: Daniel's Faithful Prayer: Daniel 6:1-10
• Week 5, Lesson 29: Rescued from the Lions: Daniel 6:18-23

UNIT 8: The Word of God, Our Foundation
• Week 1, Lesson 30: God's Word Stands Forever: 2 Kings 22:3-13
• Week 2, Lesson 31: God's Word Brings Joy: Nehemiah 8:1-10
• Week 3, Lesson 32: God's Word Is Truth: Matthew 7:24-27
Volume 3: Our God of Mercy and Grace—a study of the wonderful mercy and grace God shows His people

Semester 1: Mercy and Grace Amid Failure

UNIT 1: Mercy to the Israelites
- Week 1, Lesson 1: God’s Great Provision: Exodus 16:1-15
- Week 2, Lesson 2: The Lord Is Present: Exodus 17:1-7
- Week 3, Lesson 3: Grace and Glory: Exodus 34:1-9
- Week 4, Lesson 4: The People Rebel: Numbers 14:1-12
- Week 5, Lesson 5: Look and Live: Numbers 21:1-9

UNIT 2: Mercy to Samson
- Week 1, Lesson 7: Samson’s Strength: Judges 13:1-8, 24-25
- Week 2, Lesson 8: Samson’s Temptation: Judges 16:4-20
- Week 3, Lesson 9: A Merciful Victory: Judges 16:25-31

UNIT 3: Peter: Bold Disciple
- Week 1, Lesson 10: The Call of Peter: Luke 5:1-11
- Week 2, Lesson 11: Peter’s Denial: Mark 14:66-72
- Week 3, Lesson 12: Peter Is Restored: John 21:15-19

Semester 2: Mercy and Grace Poured Out

UNIT 5: Mercy to the Gentiles
- Week 1, Lesson 17: The Syrian Commander: 2 Kings 5:9-19
- Week 2, Lesson 18: The Woman from Jericho: Joshua 2:1-16
- Week 3, Lesson 19: Ruth the Moabite: Ruth 1:8-22
- Week 4, Lesson 20: Boaz’s Kindness: Ruth 2:10-23
- Week 5, Lesson 21: The Ethiopian Eunuch: Acts 8:26-40

UNIT 6: Mercy Through Jonah
- Week 1, Lesson 22: Jonah Runs: Jonah 1:1-6
- Week 2, Lesson 23: In the Fish: Jonah 1:7-17
- Week 3, Lesson 24: Nineveh Repents: Jonah 3:1-5
- Week 4, Lesson 25: Jonah Grumbles: Jonah 4:1-8

UNIT 7: Jesus’ Parables

UNIT 8: Jesus’ Ministry of Mercy and Grace
- Week 1, Lesson 29: Jesus Calls: Matthew 4:18-22
- Week 2, Lesson 30: Jesus Heals: Luke 8:49-56
- Week 3, Lesson 31: Jesus’ Compassion: Matthew 15:21-28
- Week 4, Lesson 32: Jesus Gives Life: John 4:7-14
Volume 4: Jesus, Our Prophet, Priest, and King—a discussion of how the Old Testament points to Jesus

Semester 1: Early Leaders

UNIT 1: The First Leaders
- Week 1, Lesson 1: An Early Priest: Genesis 14:8-24
- Week 2, Lesson 2: Deborah's Boldness: Judges 4:1-16
- Week 3, Lesson 3: Gideon's Call: Judges 6:11-24
- Week 4, Lesson 4: Strength from the Lord: Judges 7:19-7:25

UNIT 2: Elijah, Mighty Prophet of God
- Week 1, Lesson 5: A Prophet's Word: 1 Kings 16:29-34—1 Kings 17:1
- Week 2, Lesson 6: Elijah's Prayer: 1 Kings 17:8-16
- Week 3, Lesson 7: One True God: 1 Kings 18:17-29
- Week 4, Lesson 8: God's Care for Elijah: 1 Kings 19:1-8
- Week 5, Lesson 9: A New Prophet: 2 Kings 2:1-12

UNIT 3: Samuel: Judge, Priest, Prophet
- Week 1, Lesson 10: God's Gift to Hannah: 1 Samuel 1:9-20
- Week 2, Lesson 11: God Calls Samuel: 1 Samuel 3:1-10
- Week 3, Lesson 12: A Captured Ark: 1 Samuel 4:1-11
- Week 4, Lesson 13: The Lord Is Our Help: 1 Samuel 7:1-12

UNIT 4: The First King (Saul)
- Week 1, Lesson 14: Israel Wants a King: 1 Samuel 8:1-11, 19-22
- Week 2, Lesson 15: A King for Israel: 1 Samuel 10:17-27
- Week 3, Lesson 16: King Saul Disobeys: 1 Samuel 13:5-14

Semester 2: A Better King Needed

UNIT 5: The True King (David)
- Week 1, Lesson 17: David Anointed: 1 Samuel 16:1-13
- Week 2, Lesson 18: Fallen Giant: 1 Samuel 17:4-8, 38-51
- Week 3, Lesson 19: King Saul Is Jealous: 1 Samuel 18:1-11
- Week 4, Lesson 20: David Flees: 1 Samuel 19:8-17
- Week 5, Lesson 21: King Saul Dies: 2 Samuel 1:1-11
- Week 6, Lesson 22: The Davidic Covenant: 2 Samuel 7:1-17
- Week 7, Lesson 23: The King Falls: 2 Samuel 11:1-17

UNIT 6: The Wise King (Solomon)
- Week 1, Lesson 24: The Wisdom of Solomon: 1 Kings 3:1-14
- Week 2, Lesson 25: King Solomon's Reign: 1 Kings 3:16-28
- Week 3, Lesson 26: The Queen of Sheba: 1 Kings 10:1-13

UNIT 7: A Divided Kingdom
- Week 1, Lesson 27: The Kingdom Divides: 1 Kings 12:1-15
- Week 2, Lesson 28: A Wicked King: 1 Kings 21:1-16
- Week 3, Lesson 29: Israel Is Exiled: 2 Kings 17:7-23

UNIT 8: Jesus: Prophet, Priest, and King
- Week 2, Lesson 31: The True King: Matthew 21:1-11
- Week 3, Lesson 32: The Perfect Priest: Matthew 27:45-54
Volume 5: Jesus, God’s Son—a survey of how Jesus is fully God

Semester 1: Son of God

UNIT 1: New Adam
- Week 1, Lesson 1 - John the Baptist: Luke 1:5-17
- Week 2, Lesson 2 - The Savior’s Birth: Matthew 1:18-25
- Week 3, Lesson 3 - John the Baptist: Matthew 3:1-12
- Week 4, Lesson 4 - Jesus Is Tempted: Matthew 4:1-11

UNIT 2: The Divine Son
- Week 3, Lesson 5 - Born Again: John 3:1-15
- Week 4, Lesson 6 - The Transfiguration: Mark 9:2-8
- Week 5, Lesson 7 - The Supremacy of Christ: John 10:22-39
- Week 6, Lesson 8 - Jesus is the Christ: Matthew 16:13-20

UNIT 3: Sermon on the Mount
- Week 1, Lesson 9 - The Blessed Life: Matthew 5:1-12
- Week 2, Lesson 10 - True Faith: Matthew 6:1-15
- Week 3, Lesson 11 - Heavenly Treasures: Matthew 6:19-24

UNIT 4: Lord of All
- Week 1, Lesson 12 - Lord of the Sabbath: Matthew 12:1-14
- Week 2, Lesson 13 - Jesus Calms the Storm: Mark 4:35-41
- Week 3, Lesson 14 - Lord Over the Enemy: Mark 5:1-13
- Week 4, Lesson 15 - The Resurrection and the Life: John 11:17-27
- Week 5, Lesson 16 - Lazarus Rises: John 11:38-44

Semester 2: God With Us

UNIT 5: Jesus’ Teachings
- Week 1, Lesson 17 - The Sower’s Seed: Luke 8:4-15
- Week 2, Lesson 18 - The Need for Grace: Mark 10:17-23
- Week 4, Lesson 20 - The Sheep and the Goats: Matthew 25:31-46

UNIT 6: I Am
- Week 1, Lesson 21 - I Am the Bread of Life: John 6:35-42
- Week 2, Lesson 22 - I Am Gentle and Lowly: Matthew 11:25-30

UNIT 7: Gospel Power
- Week 1, Lesson 24 - Jesus Is the Center: Luke 24:13-27
- Week 2, Lesson 25 - The Gift of the Spirit: John 20:19-25
- Week 3, Lesson 26 - Jesus’ Mission to His Disciples: Matthew 28:16-20

UNIT 8: The Early Church
- Week 1, Lesson 28 - The Body of Christ: Acts 2:42-47
- Week 2, Lesson 29 - The Authority of Jesus’ Name: Acts 3:1-10
- Week 3, Lesson 30 - Ananias and Saphira: Acts 5:1-11
- Week 5, Lesson 32 - Christ Leads His Church: Acts 18:1-11
Volume 6: God Will Triumph—a review of how God prevails for all eternity

Semester 1: Victory for God’s People

UNIT 1: Victory in Battle
- Week 1, Lesson 1 - Defeat of the Amalekites: Exodus 17:8-16
- Week 2, Lesson 2 - The Sun Stands Still: Joshua 10:1-15
- Week 3, Lesson 3 - Victory for Israel: 2 Chronicles 20:20-30
- Week 4, Lesson 4 - The Defeat of 185,000: 2 Kings 19:20, 29-37
- Week 5, Lesson 5 - Victory for Hezekiah: 2 Chronicles 32:1-8, 22-23

UNIT 2: Victory through Elisha
- Week 1, Lesson 6 - Moab’s Defeat: 2 Kings 3:13-27
- Week 2, Lesson 7 - The Provision of Oil: 2 Kings 4:1-7
- Week 3, Lesson 8 - Resurrected to Life: 2 Kings 4:17-20, 32-37
- Week 4, Lesson 9 - Fiery Chariots: 2 Kings 6:8-19

UNIT 3: God Saves His People (Esther)
- Week 1, Lesson 10 - An Evil Plot: Esther 2:12-20, 3:8-15
- Week 2, Lesson 11 - Esther Turns to God: Esther 4:15-—5:8
- Week 4, Lesson 13 - Deliverance for God’s People: Esther 7:1-10

UNIT 4: Victory through Building
- Week 1, Lesson 14 - The King Says “Yes”: Nehemiah 2:1-10
- Week 2, Lesson 15 - Rebuilding the Wall: Nehemiah 2:11-20
- Week 3, Lesson 16 - Sword in Hand: Nehemiah 4:1-12

Semester 2: Victory Because of Jesus

UNIT 5: Rejoicing in God’s Victory
- Week 1, Lesson 17 - King David Rejoices: 2 Samuel 6:1-11
- Week 2, Lesson 18 - The People Rejoice: 2 Kings 11:13-32
- Week 3, Lesson 19 - The Celebration of Passover: 2 Chronicles 30:13-20
- Week 4, Lesson 20 - The Law is Read: Nehemiah 8:11-18

UNIT 6: Jesus’ Miracles
- Week 1, Lesson 21 - Jesus’ First Miracle: John 2:1-11
- Week 2, Lesson 22 - 5,000 Fed: Matthew 14:13-21
- Week 3, Lesson 23 - Jesus Heals at the Pool: John 5:1-9

UNIT 7: Life of Paul
- Week 1, Lesson 24 - Paul’s Vision: Acts 16:6-15
- Week 2, Lesson 25 - Paul and Silas: Acts 16:16-34
- Week 3, Lesson 26 - Paul in Athens: Acts 17:15-34

UNIT 8: Life of Peter
- Week 1, Lesson 29 - Running to the Tomb: Luke 24:1-12
- Week 2, Lesson 30 - Filled with the Spirit: Acts 4:1-22
- Week 4, Lesson 32 - Peter Escapes: Acts 12:1-19