

5. (Week of October 2, 2011)

ACT 1: REDEMPTION PREPARED: ISRAEL
Scene 1: God's Choice of a People: The Patriarchs
Joseph (Gen. 37-50)

Memory Verse: *And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose (Rom. 8:28 NIV).*

- Sun:** Genesis 37:1-13, 17b-20, 23-28, 31-36 – What sufferings did Joseph endure? What promise of his future exaltation do you find here?
Mon: Genesis 39 – What additional setback does Joseph endure? How does God show him favor even in the midst of his trials?
Tue: Genesis 41:1-16, 25-40 – To whom does Joseph give the glory?
Wed: Genesis 41:46-49, 53-57; 42:1-20 – How are Joseph's earlier dreams now being fulfilled?
Thu: Genesis 45:1-21, 25-28 – Summarize the story in Genesis 42:21-44:34. How does Joseph interpret his earlier trials (45:5-8)?
Fri: Genesis 46:1-7, 26-30; 47:11-12, 27-28 – How is God now fulfilling his earlier promises to Abraham?
Sat: Genesis 50:15-21, 24-26 – How is Joseph's story a good example of this week's memory verse?

6. (Week of October 9, 2011)

Scene 2: Formation of a Nation: Israel
Exodus from Egypt under Moses (Ex. 1-18)

Memory Verse: *For Christ, our Passover lamb, has been sacrificed (1 Cor. 5:7b NIV).*

- Sun:** Exodus 1:1-14, 22 – How do you see God's promises to Abraham being fulfilled here? How was this fulfillment also put in jeopardy?
Mon: Exodus 2 – How is Moses being prepared for his future mission? How do you see God's faithfulness in verses 23-25?
Tue: Exodus 3:1-22; 4:18-20 – How does the call of Moses link with God's earlier promises to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob?
Wed: Exodus 6:1-8; 7:1-7 – List the promises that God makes to Moses in 6:6-8. How do they relate to God's earlier promises to Abraham?
Thu: Exodus 9:13-35 – Briefly review the earlier plagues. Why did God send these plagues on Pharaoh and Egypt (9:14-16)?
Fri: Exodus 11:1, 4-8; 12:1-13, 28-32, 37-41; 13:19 – Compare the sacrifice of the Passover lamb with the sacrifice of Christ.
Sat: Exodus 14:1-18, 21-31 – What was the purpose of this great miracle?

7. (Week of October 16, 2011)

Scene 2: Formation of a Nation: Israel
Giving of the Law (Ex. 19:1-Num. 10:10)

Memory Verse: *So the law was put in charge to lead us to Christ that we might be justified by faith (Gal. 3:24 NIV).*

- Sun:** Exodus 19:1-20 – What does this scene at Mt. Sinai reveal about the nature of God, the Lawgiver?
Mon: Exodus 20:1-21 – What do the Ten Commandments teach us about loving both God and our neighbor? Do you need to confess any sin?
Tue: Exodus 24:1-18; 31:18 – How does this "Old" Covenant compare with the New Covenant in Christ? (See Hebrews 8:7-13.)
Wed: Exodus 25:1-9; 31:1-11 – How was the tabernacle to be made, and what was its purpose?
Thu: Exodus 39:32; 40:17-38 – Where did God dwell in Israel? Where does God dwell now?
Fri: Leviticus 16:2-34 – What was the purpose of these sacrifices on the Day of Atonement? How are they finally fulfilled in Christ?
Sat: Leviticus 19:1-18 – Based on this passage, what are some specific ways you can "love your neighbor as yourself" (v. 18)?

8. (Week October 23, 2011)

Scene 2: Formation of a Nation: Israel
Wilderness Wanderings (Num. 10:11-36:13)

Memory Verse: *"Today, if you hear his voice, do not harden your hearts" (Heb. 3:15 NIV).*

- Sun:** Exodus 13:21-22; 9:15-23; 10:11-13 – How did God lead the Israelites on their journey through the desert?
Mon: Numbers 13:1-3, 17-33 – Why did most of the spies dissuade Israel from entering the Promised Land?
Tue: Numbers 14:1-19 – What is impressive about Caleb and Joshua? On what basis does Moses plead with the LORD not to destroy Israel?
Wed: Numbers 14:20-38 – What were the consequences of Israel's unbelief and disobedience? What warning do you see here for us?
Thu: Numbers 20:1-13 – Why did God prohibit Moses and Aaron from entering the Promised Land?
Fri: Numbers 21:4-9, 21-25, 31-35 – How does the story of the bronze snake point to Christ (see John 3:14-15)?
Sat: Numbers 20:22-29; 27:12-23 – How did God provide new leadership to lead Israel into the Promised Land?