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Ephesians 6:17

# NLC KIDS SUPER SWORD HEROES

## BIBLE LAND MEMORY ADVENTURE



## Dear Kids Church Families,

As we step into 2026, I am so excited for what God has in store for our kids and our families. I have truly prayed and prayed over this year, and I couldn't wait to finally put this together.

For almost six months, I've been working on a brand-new project called TableTalk. The idea came from a close friend who shared how powerful it was when families would come together, sit around tables, and have meaningful TableTalk conversations. And I thought... why don't we bring that into our Kids Church families?

### Introducing TableTalk

TableTalk is designed for your family to do once a week—coming together around a table, slowing down, and connecting with God and each other. Each TableTalk will include:

- A Bible verse
- Family-friendly discussion questions
- A challenge for the week
- A way to help you build faith at home—one conversation at a time

My heart is to help families grow stronger, not just at church, but at home.

### Super Sword Heroes Bible Memory Challenge

TableTalk connects directly to our Super Sword Heroes Bible Memory Challenge, where kids will be encouraged to memorize Scripture and grow strong in the Word of God.

We'll be focusing on the Armor of God, especially the Sword of the Spirit:

“Take up the Sword of the Spirit, which is the Word of God.” — Ephesians 6:17

This is what this year is all about—teaching our kids to know Scripture, speak Scripture, and stand on truth.

Here's how it will work:

- Kids will complete Scripture challenges throughout the year.
- Each completed challenge earns a ribbon.
- Each Power Verse completed earns another ribbon.
- Kids can earn up to 11 ribbons.
- If they complete all the challenges, they will earn a medal and a chance to go to lunch with Pastor Shannon and the team.

And I'm going to be doing this right alongside them, because I believe it's important that we are all memorizing Scripture together.

### New for 2026: The Bible Bank

We're also launching a Bible Bank that will be located in the check-in room. While you're checking your child in, they can run over to the Bible Bank to:

- Deposit money
- Say their Scripture to the Bible Bank volunteer

It will be a fun and simple way to encourage kids and keep them moving forward.

### How to Join TableTalk

If you'd like your family to be part of TableTalk, you can:

- Sign up online: [newlifechapel.com/nlc-kids](http://newlifechapel.com/nlc-kids)
- Or call the church office and ask for Pastor Shannon: 760-244-9050

Once you're signed up, you'll receive a TableTalk box/kit with weekly TableTalk ideas and Scripture to guide your family through the year.

Thank you for letting us partner with you. We're excited to come alongside your family, and I truly believe God is going to build something powerful in our kids and in our homes through His Word.

With love and expectation,

Pastor Shannon

Children's Ministry

The Super Sword Hero Bible Memory Adventure is a year-long discipleship journey designed to help our 1st–6th grade kids (and their families!) grow strong in God's Word.

Each month focuses on a themed scripture that teaches truth, character, and spiritual strength. Our goal is to equip every child to stand firm in their faith (Ephesians 6:13–15) by learning to use the Sword of the Spirit — God's Word — in everyday life.

## ***The Heart Behind the Armor***



We spent time in prayer, asking God for direction and wisdom. We believe He gave us this vision to help build a strong spiritual foundation in our children and families.

Our desire is that every child learns how powerful God's Word truly is — that it's not just words on a page, but living truth that gives them strength, courage, and peace.

We want this program to be more than memory work — we want it to be heart work.



# GETTING STARTED

## *How It Works*

### Monthly Focus Verse:

- Each month, kids will receive a new Bible verse card tied to that month's theme (Faith, Truth, Prayer, Love, etc.).
- The verse will be discussed in class and at home using Table Talk Family Cards.

### Bible Bucks Rewards:

- Kids earn \$ 10.00 Bible Bucks each time they recite their verse.
- Parents are encouraged to memorize the verse too! When a parent recites it, their child earns \$ 10.00 bonus Bible Bucks.

### Progress Tracking:

- Each child will have a Super Sword Hero Tracker — a fun map showing their achievements.
- A large Bibleland Map that shows our overall memory journey and the verses we've learned together.



# REWARDS

As kids memorize God's Word, we want to celebrate their hard work and faithfulness!

- Monthly Passages:
- Each month, kids will have a passage to memorize.
- For each passage they memorize, they will:
  - Receive a Super Sword Hero ribbon
  - Earn \$30.00 Bible Bucks
- End-of-Year Medal:
- At the end of the program, any child who has completed all of the Bible verses and passages (and we have a record of it on their tracker) will receive a special Super Sword Hero Medal during our celebration.
- Celebration Party:
- We will host a Super Sword Hero Celebration where kids will be awarded their medals and recognized for all the ribbons they've earned throughout the year.

Our heart is that every ribbon, Bible Buck, and medal reminds them that hiding God's Word in their heart is worth celebrating.



## Superhero Bible Land Memory Challenge

### 1) Bible Land Power Verses (Weekly)

Kids will memorize 12 Bible Land Power Verses throughout the year.

For each Power Verse they complete:

-  50 Bible Bucks
-  A ribbon (one ribbon per verse/week)

### 2) Medal Award (When all 12 are complete)

If a child completes all 12 Bible Land Power Verses (and we have it recorded), they will receive:

-  A Superhero Bible Land Medal

### 3) Grand Prize Experience (When all challenges are complete)

If a child completes ALL parts of the Superhero Bible Land Challenge (including all 12 Power Verses) and we have record of it, then Pastor Shannon and the Kids Church team will celebrate them by:

-  Taking them out to lunch at a nice place
-  Taking them to Target to pick out a new toy

This is our way of celebrating their hard work, dedication, and love for God's Word!

# POWER VERSE & GRAND PRIZE

## BOOKS OF THE BIBLE

OLD TESTAMENT	JOB	HABAKKUK	COLOSSIANS
GENESIS	PSALMS	ZEPHANIAH	1 THESSALONIANS
EXODUS	PROVERBS	HAGGAI	2 THESSALONIANS
LEVITICUS	ECCLESIASTES	ZECHARIAH	1 TIMOTHY
NUMBERS	SONG OF SOLOMON	MALACHI	2 TIMOTHY
DEUTERONOMY	ISAIAH	NEW TESTAMENT	TITUS
JOSHUA	JEREMIAH	MATTHEW	PHILEMON
JUDGES	LAMENTATIONS	MARK	HEBREWS
RUTH	EZEKIEL	LUKE	JAMES
1 SAMUEL	DANIEL	JOHN	1 PETER
2 SAMUEL	HOSEA	ACTS	2 PETER
1 KINGS	JOEL	ROMANS	1 JOHN
2 KINGS	AMOS	1 CORINTHIANS	2 JOHN
1 CHRONICLES	OBADIAH	2 CORINTHIANS	3 JOHN
2 CHRONICLES	JONAH	GALATIANS	JUDE
EZRA	MICAH	EPHESIANS	REVELATION
NEHEMIAH	NAHUM	PHILIPPIANS	
ESTHER			



# STANDING ON HIS WORD TOGETHER

As we start this Super Sword Hero Bible Memory Adventure, please know this didn't come out of just an idea or a meeting — it came out of prayer.

We have prayed:

- For your child by name
- For your family and home
- For our leaders and team
- That God would use His Word to build a strong foundation in this next generation

Our heart is that NLC Kids Church is not just a place your child comes on Sundays, but a place where:

- They learn to love God's Word
- They feel safe, seen, and valued
- They begin to understand that they were created with a purpose and a calling
- They become bold, loving, Spirit-led Super Sword Heroes in their homes, schools, and friendships



# PARTNERING WITH YOU

We know we only have your kids for a short time each week — but you have them every day. That’s why this program is designed to partner with you, not replace you.

As parents and guardians, you are the:

- First teachers of faith
- First examples of how to walk with Jesus
- First voices they will listen to about what is true

We are honored to come alongside you and help you build that foundation, one verse at a time, one conversation at a time, one prayer at a time.

🙏 Our Prayer for Your Child & Family

“These commandments that I give you today are to be on your hearts.

Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up.”

— Deuteronomy 6:6–7

Our prayer is that:

- Your home will be filled with God’s peace and presence
- Your children will hear God’s voice through His Word
- You will feel strengthened and encouraged as you lead them
- This year will mark a new spiritual foundation in your family that carries into their teenage and adult years

# **JANUARY CHALLENGE**



**A PSALM OF DAVID.**

**1 THE LORD IS MY SHEPHERD, I LACK NOTHING.**

**2 HE MAKES ME LIE DOWN IN GREEN PASTURES,  
HE LEADS ME BESIDE QUIET WATERS,**

**3 HE REFRESHES MY SOUL.**

**HE GUIDES ME ALONG THE RIGHT PATHS  
FOR HIS NAME'S SAKE.**

**4 EVEN THOUGH I WALK**

**THROUGH THE DARKEST VALLEY,<sup>[A]</sup>**

**I WILL FEAR NO EVIL,**

**FOR YOU ARE WITH ME;**

**YOUR ROD AND YOUR STAFF,**

**THEY COMFORT ME.**

**5 YOU PREPARE A TABLE BEFORE ME**

**IN THE PRESENCE OF MY ENEMIES.**

**YOU ANOINT MY HEAD WITH OIL;**

**MY CUP OVERFLOWS.**

**6 SURELY YOUR GOODNESS AND LOVE WILL FOLLOW ME**

**ALL THE DAYS OF MY LIFE,**

**AND I WILL DWELL IN THE HOUSE OF THE LORD  
FOREVER.**

**PSALMS 23:1-6**



# **FEBRUARY CHALLENGE**

**13 If I speak in the tongues<sup>[a]</sup> of men or of angels, but do not have love, I am only a resounding gong or a clanging cymbal. <sup>2</sup> If I have the gift of prophecy and can fathom all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have a faith that can move mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. <sup>3</sup> If I give all I possess to the poor and give over my body to hardship that I may boast,<sup>[b]</sup> but do not have love, I gain nothing.**

**<sup>4</sup> Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. <sup>5</sup> It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. <sup>6</sup> Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. <sup>7</sup> It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres.**

**<sup>8</sup> Love never fails. But where there are prophecies, they will cease; where there are tongues, they will be stilled; where there is knowledge, it will pass away. <sup>9</sup> For we know in part and we prophesy in part, <sup>10</sup> but when completeness comes, what is in part disappears. <sup>11</sup> When I was a child, I talked like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became a man, I put the ways of childhood behind me. <sup>12</sup> For now we see only a reflection as in a mirror; then we shall see face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I am fully known. <sup>13</sup> And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love.**

**1 Corinthians 13:1-13**



# **MARCH CHALLENGE**

## **The Armor of God**

**<sup>10</sup> Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. <sup>11</sup> Put on the full armor of God, so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes. <sup>12</sup> For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms. <sup>13</sup> Therefore put on the full armor of God, so that when the day of evil comes, you may be able to stand your ground, and after you have done everything, to stand. <sup>14</sup>**

**Stand firm then, with the belt of truth buckled around your waist, with the breastplate of righteousness in place, <sup>15</sup> and with your feet fitted with the readiness that comes from the gospel of peace. <sup>16</sup> In addition to all this, take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one. <sup>17</sup> Take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.**

**<sup>18</sup> And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord's people.**

**Ephesians 6:10-18**





# **APRIL CHALLENGE**

## **Prayer**

<sup>5</sup> “And when you pray, do not be like the hypocrites, for they love to pray standing in the synagogues and on the street corners to be seen by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward in full. <sup>6</sup> But when you pray, go into your room, close the door and pray to your Father, who is unseen. Then your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you. <sup>7</sup> And when you pray, do not keep on babbling like pagans, for they think they will be heard because of their many words. <sup>8</sup> Do not be like them, for your Father knows what you need before you ask him.

<sup>9</sup> “This, then, is how you should pray:

“Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
<sup>10</sup> your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.

<sup>11</sup> Give us today our daily bread.

<sup>12</sup> And forgive us our debts,  
as we also have forgiven our debtors.

<sup>13</sup> And lead us not into temptation,<sup>[a]</sup>  
but deliver us from the evil one.<sup>[b]</sup>

<sup>14</sup> For if you forgive other people when they sin against you, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. <sup>15</sup> But if you do not forgive others their sins, your Father will not forgive your sins.

**Matthew 6:5-15**

# MAY CHALLENGE

## The Beginning

<sup>1</sup> In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. <sup>2</sup> Now the earth was formless and empty, darkness was over the surface of the deep, and the Spirit of God was hovering over the waters.

<sup>3</sup> And God said, "Let there be light," and there was light. <sup>4</sup> God saw that the light was good, and he separated the light from the darkness. <sup>5</sup> God called the light "day," and the darkness he called "night." And there was evening, and there was morning—the first day.

<sup>6</sup> And God said, "Let there be a vault between the waters to separate water from water." <sup>7</sup> So God made the vault and separated the water under the vault from the water above it. And it was so. <sup>8</sup> God called the vault "sky." And there was evening, and there was morning—the second day.

<sup>9</sup> And God said, "Let the water under the sky be gathered to one place, and let dry ground appear." And it was so. <sup>10</sup> God called the dry ground "land," and the gathered waters he called "seas." And God saw that it was good.

<sup>11</sup> Then God said, "Let the land produce vegetation: seed-bearing plants and trees on the land that bear fruit with seed in it, according to their various kinds." And it was so. <sup>12</sup> The land produced vegetation: plants bearing seed according to their kinds and trees bearing fruit with seed in it according to their kinds. And God saw that it was good. <sup>13</sup> And there was evening, and there was morning—the third day.

<sup>14</sup> And God said, "Let there be lights in the vault of the sky to separate the day from the night, and let them serve as signs to mark sacred times, and days and years, <sup>15</sup> and let them be lights in the vault of the sky to give light on the earth." And it was so. <sup>16</sup> God made two great lights—the greater light to govern the day and the lesser light to govern the night. He also made the stars. <sup>17</sup> God set them in the vault of the sky to give light on the earth, <sup>18</sup> to govern the day and the night, and to separate light from darkness. And God saw that it was good. <sup>19</sup> And there was evening, and there was morning—the fourth day.

<sup>20</sup> And God said, "Let the water teem with living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the vault of the sky." <sup>21</sup> So God created the great creatures of the sea and every living thing with which the water teems and that moves about in it, according to their kinds, and every winged bird according to its kind. And God saw that it was good. <sup>22</sup> God blessed them and said, "Be fruitful and increase in number and fill the water in the seas, and let the birds increase on the earth."

<sup>23</sup> And there was evening, and there was morning—the fifth day.

<sup>24</sup> And God said, "Let the land produce living creatures according to their kinds: the livestock, the creatures that move along the ground, and the wild animals, each according to its kind." And it was so. <sup>25</sup> God made the wild animals according to their kinds, the livestock according to their kinds, and all the creatures that move along the ground according to their kinds. And God saw that it was good.

<sup>26</sup> Then God said, "Let us make mankind in our image, in our likeness, so that they may rule over the fish in the sea and the birds in the sky, over the livestock and all the wild animals,<sup>[a]</sup> and over all the creatures that move along the ground."

<sup>27</sup> So God created mankind in his own image,  
in the image of God he created them;  
male and female he created them.

<sup>28</sup> God blessed them and said to them, "Be fruitful and increase in number; fill the earth and subdue it. Rule over the fish in the sea and the birds in the sky and over every living creature that moves on the ground."

<sup>29</sup> Then God said, "I give you every seed-bearing plant on the face of the whole earth and every tree that has fruit with seed in it. They will be yours for food. <sup>30</sup> And to all the beasts of the earth and all the birds in the sky and all the creatures that move along the ground—everything that has the breath of life in it—I give every green plant for food." And it was so.

<sup>31</sup> God saw all that he had made, and it was very good. And there was evening, and there was morning—the sixth day.



# **JUNE CHALLENGE**



**A psalm. For giving grateful praise.**

**<sup>1</sup> Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth.**

**<sup>2</sup> Worship the Lord with gladness;  
come before him with joyful songs.**

**<sup>3</sup> Know that the Lord is God.**

**It is he who made us, and we are his<sub>[a]</sub>;  
we are his people, the sheep of his pasture.**

**<sup>4</sup> Enter his gates with thanksgiving  
and his courts with praise;**

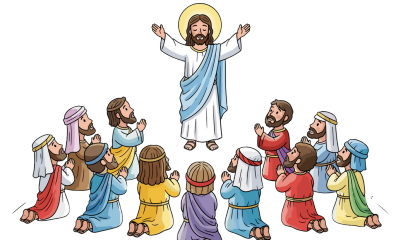
**give thanks to him and praise his name.**

**<sup>5</sup> For the Lord is good and his love endures  
forever;**

**his faithfulness continues through all  
generations.**

**Psalm 100:1-5**

# JULY CHALLENGE

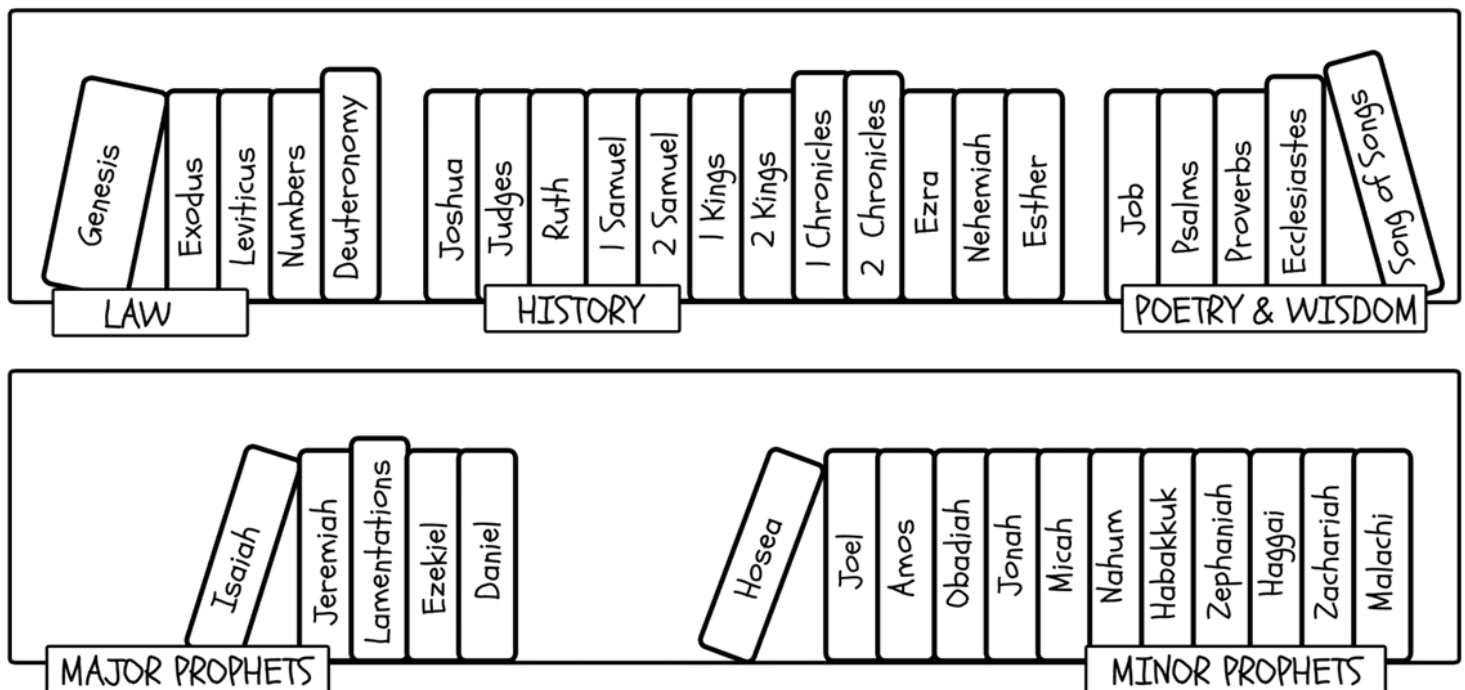


**<sup>2</sup> These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon (who is called Peter) and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee, and his brother John; <sup>3</sup> Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; <sup>4</sup> Simon the Zealot and Judas Iscariot, who betrayed him.**



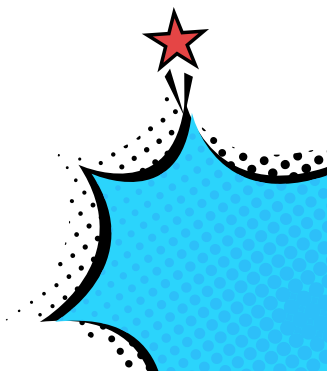
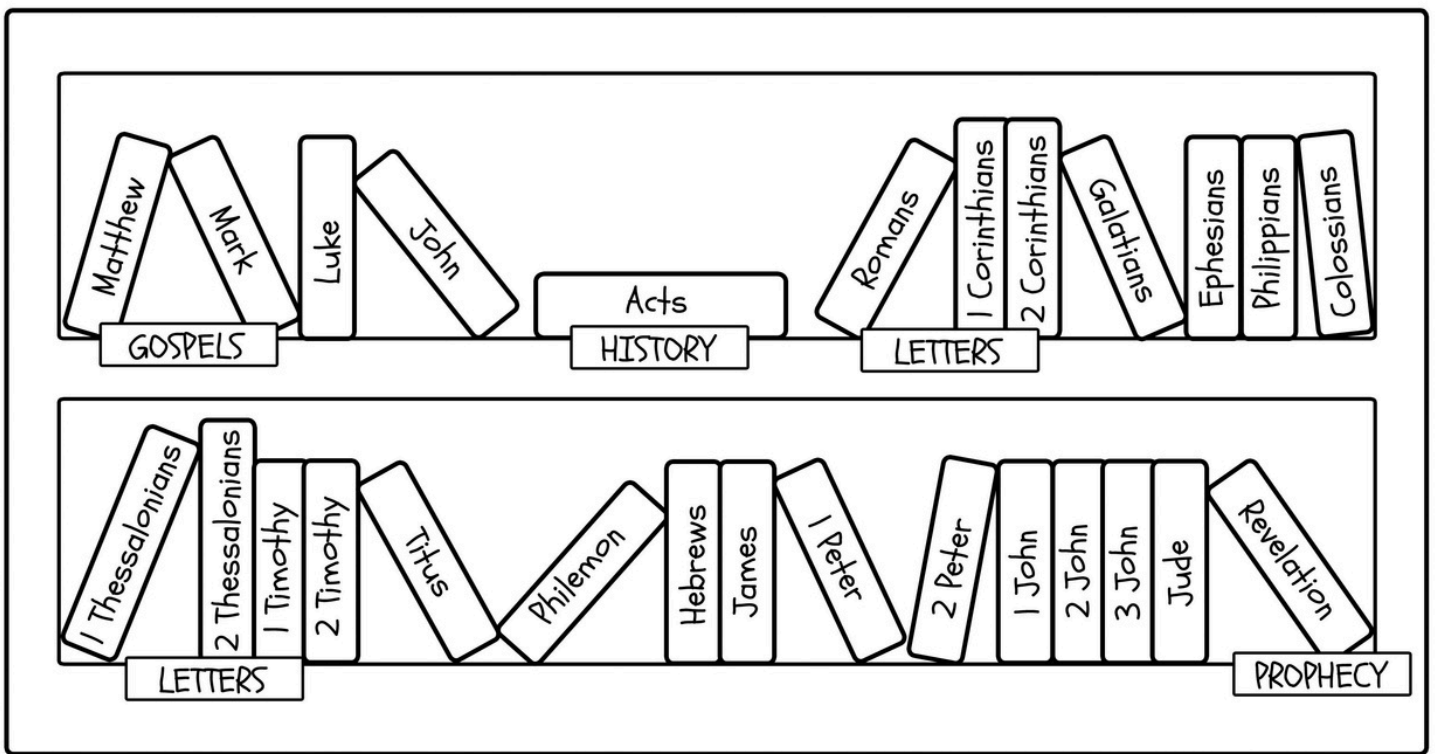
# AUGUST CHALLENGE

## The Old Testament



# SEPTEMBER CHALLENGE

## The New Testament





# OCTOBER CHALLENGE

<sup>4</sup> The Lord spoke to you face to face out of the fire on the mountain. <sup>5</sup> (At that time I stood between the Lord and you to declare to you the word of the Lord, because you were afraid of the fire and did not go up the mountain.) And he said:

<sup>6</sup> “I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of Egypt, out of the land of slavery.

<sup>7</sup> “You shall have no other gods before<sup>[a]</sup> me.

<sup>8</sup> “You shall not make for yourself an image in the form of anything in heaven above or on the earth beneath or in the waters below. <sup>9</sup> You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I, the Lord your God, am a jealous God, punishing the children for the sin of the parents to the third and fourth generation of those who hate me, <sup>10</sup> but showing love to a thousand generations of those who love me and keep my commandments.

<sup>11</sup> “You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God, for the Lord will not hold anyone guiltless who misuses his name.

<sup>12</sup> “Observe the Sabbath day by keeping it holy, as the Lord your God has commanded you. <sup>13</sup> Six days you shall labor and do all your work, <sup>14</sup> but the seventh day is a sabbath to the Lord your God. On it you shall not do any work, neither you, nor your son or daughter, nor your male or female servant, nor your ox, your donkey or any of your animals, nor any foreigner residing in your towns, so that your male and female servants may rest, as you do. <sup>15</sup> Remember that you were slaves in Egypt and that the Lord your God brought you out of there with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm. Therefore the Lord your God has commanded you to observe the Sabbath day.

<sup>16</sup> “Honor your father and your mother, as the Lord your God has commanded you, so that you may live long and that it may go well with you in the land the Lord your God is giving you.

<sup>17</sup> “You shall not murder.

<sup>18</sup> “You shall not commit adultery.

<sup>19</sup> “You shall not steal.

<sup>20</sup> “You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.

<sup>21</sup> “You shall not covet your neighbor’s wife. You shall not set your desire on your neighbor’s house or land, his male or female servant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.”

Deuteronomy 5:4-21







# NOVEMBER CHALLENGE

<sup>30</sup> Tremble before him, all the earth!

The world is firmly established; it cannot be moved.

<sup>31</sup> Let the heavens rejoice, let the earth be glad;  
let them say among the nations, “The Lord reigns!”

<sup>32</sup> Let the sea resound, and all that is in it;  
let the fields be jubilant, and everything in them!

<sup>33</sup> Let the trees of the forest sing,  
let them sing for joy before the Lord,  
for he comes to judge the earth.

<sup>34</sup> Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;  
his love endures forever.

<sup>35</sup> Cry out, “Save us, God our Savior;  
gather us and deliver us from the nations,  
that we may give thanks to your holy name,  
and glory in your praise.”

<sup>36</sup> Praise be to the Lord, the God of Israel,  
from everlasting to everlasting.

Then all the people said “Amen” and “Praise the Lord.”

1 Chronicles 16:30-36



# **DECEMBER CHALLENGE**

**<sup>8</sup> And there were shepherds living out in the fields nearby, keeping watch over their flocks at night. <sup>9</sup> An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. <sup>10</sup> But the angel said to them, “Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people. <sup>11</sup> Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is the Messiah, the Lord. <sup>12</sup> This will be a sign to you: You will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger.”**

**<sup>13</sup> Suddenly a great company of the heavenly host appeared with the angel, praising God and saying,  
<sup>14</sup> “Glory to God in the highest heaven,  
and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests.”**

**Luke 2:8-14**

