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Preface

This is the first in a series of three books which treats the history of the Bible in story form for children from the ages of six to eight years. This first book covers the history from creation through the judges.

Each lesson covers a certain phase of history and touches only some outstanding event or events. The teacher in the classroom will determine how much other material should be introduced in the discussion, but it should be borne in mind that children grasp the history best when their attention is focused on but one or two outstanding incidents.

May our heavenly Father bless our covenant seed through these means, in order that the truth of His Word may be preserved in their hearts and passed on to the generations to come, unto the glory of His Name.

Rev. C. Hanko

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The use of the Catechism for the instruction of the young in the Church is an ancient and time-tested method. The present series of booklets is designed to give a firm grounding on Bible facts and history, which will eventually serve as a foundation for the doctrinal catechisms such as the WSC.

The current version of this Bible History Catechism (Jan 2011 edition) has undergone numerous revisions upon discovery of factual and typographical errors in the original edition received; as well as further proof-reading and editorial suggestions by Pastor David Higgs. Many of the wordings of the question have also been revised (upon helpful feedbacks from parents) to make memorization of the answers easier for our children. 'Proof-texts' for parents' and teachers' use has also been added. These were furnished by Pastor Higgs.

A workbook accompanying this booklet has also been produced. Parents are encouraged to help the children do the relevant worksheets in addition to helping them memorise the answers to the ten questions each week. And as the Sabbath School teachers' role is designed to be complementary, parents (especially fathers) are urged to explain the lessons to their children, in a way suitable to them, before they come for class. At class the teachers will only give a few applicatory lessons, and then review the lesson with each of the students by testing them on their memory work.

May the Lord bless our feeble efforts to instruct our children in the way of the Lord.

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Lesson 1
Creation
Genesis 1

1. Who is your Creator?
God. [Gen 1:27]
2. How many Gods are there?
There is only one true God. [Deut 6:4]
3. Did God create *all things*?
Yes, in the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. [Gen 1:1]
4. What did God create on the first day?
The heaven and the earth, and also light. [Gen 1:1-5]
5. What did God create on the second day?
The firmament. [Gen 1:6-8]
6. What did God create on the third day?
The dry land, the grass, the trees and the flowers. [Gen 1:9-13]
7. What did God make on the fourth day?
The sun, the moon, and the stars. [Gen 1:14-19]
8. What did God form on the fifth and sixth days?
The fish and the birds, the animals and man. [Gen 1:20-31]
9. What did God do on the seventh day?
God rested, and gave us our Sabbath. [Gen 2:2]
10. How do we know about this creation?
God tells us about it in His Word, the Bible.

Memory verse: "And God saw every thing that He had made, and, behold, it was very good" (Genesis 1:31).

Lesson 2
Adam in Paradise
Genesis 1, 2

1. Who were our first parents?
Adam and Eve. [Gen 3:20]
2. What did God make Adam from?
From the dust of the earth. [Gen 2:7]
3. How was Adam different from the animals?
God made him in His own image. [Gen 1:26-27]
4. Where did Adam and Eve live?
In the beautiful garden of Eden. [Gen 2:8]
5. What special tree was in the garden?
The Tree of Life. [Gen 2:9]
6. From which tree might Adam and Eve not eat?
From the Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil. [Gen 2:16-17]
7. What did Adam do in the Garden of Eden?
He took care of the garden as its king. [Gen 2:15]
8. How did he show that he was king?
He named the animals. [Gen 2:20]
9. Were Adam and Eve happy in the Garden of Eden?
Yes, because they served God in love. [Cf, eg, Isa 51:3]
10. Of what is the Garden of Eden a picture?
Of heaven, which is far more wonderful. [Cf, eg, Rev 22:1-2]

Memory verse: "O Lord our Lord, how excellent is Thy Name in all the earth!" (Psalm 8:9)

Lesson 3
The Fall of Man
Genesis 3

1. Did Adam and Eve stay in the Garden of Eden?
No, God drove them out of it. [Gen 3:23-24]
2. Why were they driven from the Garden of Eden?
They disobeyed God. [Gen 3:17, 22-24]
3. How did Adam and Eve disobey God?
They ate of the Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil. [Gen 3: 6]
4. Why was it wrong to eat of this tree?
Because God told them *not* to eat of it. [Gen 2:16-17]
5. Who tempted Eve to eat of that tree?
Satan, a wicked, fallen angel. [Gen 3:1-5; cf 2 Pet 2:4]
6. How did Satan come to Eve?
He used the serpent to talk to Eve. [Gen 3:1-5; cf Rev 20:2]
7. Did Eve listen to Satan?
Yes, she ate of the tree and gave to Adam, and he ate also. [Gen 3:6]
8. What happened because of their disobedience?
Pain and sorrow entered into the world. [Gen 3:16-19]
9. Did we also die in Adam?
Yes, we are all dead in sin. [Rom 5:12-21; 1 Cor 15:22]
10. What did God promise after Adam fell?
A Saviour, to save us from our sins. [Gen 3:15]

Memory verse: "And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed; It shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise His heel" (Genesis 3:15).

Lesson 4
Cain Kills Abel
Genesis 4

1. Name two sons of Adam and Eve.
Cain and Abel. [Gen 4:1-2]
2. What does the Bible tell about Abel?
Abel feared the Lord. [Mt 23:35; Heb 11:4]
3. How did Abel show that he feared the Lord?
He offered a lamb as a sacrifice to God. [Gen 4:4]
4. Why was this pleasing to God?
Because Abel believed in the Lamb of God. [Heb 11: 4; cf Jn 1:36]
5. What does the Bible say about Cain?
That Cain was wicked. [Gen 4:9-10; cf 1 Jn 3:12]
6. How did Cain show his wickedness?
He offered to God a bloodless sacrifice. [Gen 4:3]
7. Why was this wicked?
It showed that he was not sorry for his sins. [Gen 4:6-7; cf Heb 13:11-12; 1 Jn 1:7]
8. How else did Cain show his wickedness?
He was jealous of Abel and killed him. [Gen 4:8]
9. How did God punish Cain for this?
God sent him away from his home and family. [Gen 4:11-12, 16]
10. Did God give another son in Abel's place?
Yes, Seth, who also feared the Lord. [Gen 4:25]

Memory verse: "By faith Abel offered unto God a more excellent sacrifice than Cain" (Hebrews 11:4).

Lesson 5
The Days Before the Flood
Genesis 4:17 - 5:32

1. What can we infer about Cain after he killed Abel?
He sinned still more, and also taught his children to sin. [Gen 4:17-24]
2. Name a wicked son of Cain.
Lamech who was a murderer like his father. [Gen 4:23-24]
3. What did the wicked sons of Lamech do?
They kept cattle, played the harp and organ, and made many things from iron and brass. [Gen 4:20-22]
4. Did they use these things to sin also?
Yes, they became more and more wicked. [Gen 6:5]
5. What does the Bible tell us about the sons of Seth?
They came together to worship God. [Gen 4:26]
6. What God-fearing man lived at this time?
Enoch, who walked with God. [Gen 5:24]
7. What did God tell Enoch to do?
God told him to preach against the wicked men. [Jude 14]
8. What did Enoch tell the wicked men in his days?
He told them that God would come to punish them. [Jude 15]
9. Did they listen to Enoch?
No, they probably wanted to kill him instead. [Jude 16; cf Mt 23:37; 2 Tim 3:12]
10. Could they kill Enoch?
No, for God took him to heaven. [Gen 5:24]

Memory verse: "And Enoch walked with God: and he was not; for God took him" (Genesis 5:24).

Lesson 6

The Flood

Genesis 6 - 9

1. What does the Bible say of Noah?
He was one of the few who feared the Lord. [Gen 6:8-9; 7:1]
2. What did God tell Noah to do?
To build an ark. [Gen 6:14]
3. Why must Noah build an ark?
Because God was going to send a flood. [Gen 6:13, 17]
4. How long did it take Noah and his sons to build the ark?
About one hundred and twenty years. [Gen 6:3]
5. What did Noah do while he built the ark?
He preached Christ and told wicked men to repent or perish. [1 Pet 3:18-20; cf 2 Pet 2:5]
6. Who were saved in the ark?
Only Noah and his family. [Gen 7:23; 8:16]
7. What else were saved in the ark?
Animals, which God brought to Noah. [Gen 8:16-17]
8. What happened to the wicked world?
They were all destroyed in the flood. [Gen 7:23]
9. Of what is the flood a sign?
Of the end of the world. [Mt 24:37-39]
10. What does the sign of the rainbow mean?
That God will always remember and save His people. [Gen 9:9-17]

Memory verse: "But Noah found grace in the eyes of the Lord"
(Genesis 6:8)

Lesson 7
The Days After the Flood
Genesis 9 - 11

1. Give the names of Noah's sons.
Shem, Ham, and Japheth. [Gen 5:32; 6:10]
2. What does the Bible tell about Ham?
That Ham mocked his father. [Gen 9:22]
3. What did Noah say of Ham's sin?
He said that Ham's son would be cursed. [Gen 9:25]
4. What did Noah say about Shem?
He said that God would be Shem's God. [Gen 9:26]
5. And what did Noah say about Japheth?
He said that he would share in Shem's blessing. [Gen 9:27]
6. Name one of the grandsons of Ham.
Wicked Nimrod, who was a great hunter. [Gen 10:6-9]
7. What wicked thing did men do at this time?
They began to build a city and a tower. [Gen 11:3-4]
8. Why did these wicked men build the city and the tower?
They wanted to be mighty and stay together. [Gen 11:4]
9. Did they finish their tower?
No, God changed their speech. [Gen 11:5-7]
10. What happened to these wicked men after that?
They were spread over the whole earth. [Gen 11:8-9]

Memory verse: "The Lord preserveth all them that love Him: but all the wicked will He destroy" (Psalm 145:20).

Lesson 8

Job

The book of Job 1 - 2, 19, 42

1. What does the Bible say of Job?
That Job feared God. [Job 1:1, 8; 2:3]
2. Did God bless Job?
Yes, God gave him ten children and a lot of cattle. [Job 1:2-3]
3. What did the devil want to do to Job?
He wanted to make Job curse God. [Job 1:9-11]
4. How did the devil plan to do this?
By taking from Job all that he had. [Job 1:9-11]
5. Did God give the devil power against Job?
Yes, Job lost all his riches and all his children in one day. [Job 1:12-21]
6. Did Job suffer still more?
Yes, he became very sick. [Job 2:4-8]
7. Did his three friends help him in his suffering?
No, they only added to his trouble. [Job 2:11; cf Job 42:7-8]
8. What did Job answer them?
He said, "I know that my redeemer liveth" (Job 19:25).
9. How did Job conduct himself in his suffering?
He was very patient. [Jas 5:11]
10. Did God bless Job for his patience?
Yes, God doubled his riches, and gave him ten more children. [Job 42:10, 12-13]

Memory verse: "The Lord gave, and the Lord hath taken away; blessed be the Name of the Lord" (Job 1:21).

Lesson 9
Abraham Moves to Canaan
Genesis 12 - 15

1. What did God tell Abraham to do?
To go to the land which God would show him. [Gen 12:1]
2. Where did God take Abraham and Sarah?
To the land of Canaan. [Gen 12:5]
3. What did God promise Abraham?
To give his children this whole land. [Gen 12:7; 13:14-15]
4. Of what was the land of Canaan a picture?
Of heaven. [Heb 11:8-10, 13-16]
5. What else did God promise Abraham?
As many children as the stars in the heaven. [Gen 13:16; Gen 15:5; 22:16-18]
6. Did Abraham and Sarah have any children as yet?
Not yet, and they were already very old. [Gen 15:2-4; cf Gen 17:15-17]
7. Why did Abraham go to Egypt?
Because there was a famine in the land of Canaan. [Gen 12:10]
8. Did God want Abraham to go to Egypt?
No, God sent him back to Canaan, for God would care for him there.
[Gen 12:17-13:3]
9. How did Abraham know that God would bless him?
God said, "Fear not, Abram: I am thy shield, and thy exceeding great reward" (Gen 15:1).
10. Was Abraham sure that God would bless him?
Yes, he believed in God. [Gen 15:6]

Memory verse: "For he looked for a city which hath foundations, whose Builder and Maker is God" (Hebrews 11:10).

Lesson 10
Lot Saved from Sodom
Genesis 13, 19

1. Who came with Abraham into Canaan?
His nephew, Lot, with his wife. [Gen 13:1]
2. Why did Abraham and Lot separate?
Because there was not enough grass for all their cattle. [Gen 13:5-9]
3. Where did Lot choose to live?
Near the wicked cities of Sodom and Gomorrah. [Gen 13:10-13]
4. Was Lot happy in Sodom?
No, but his family felt at home there. [Gen 19:7, 14-16; cf 2 Pet 2:6-8]
5. What did God tell Abraham about Sodom?
That God was going to destroy that wicked city. [Gen 18:16-32]
6. Did Abraham pray for Sodom?
No, he prayed only for God-fearing Lot. [Gen 19:27-29]
7. Did the Lord spare Lot?
Yes, two angels let Lot and his family out of the city. [Gen 19:1-17]
8. What happened to Lot's wife?
She was changed into a pillar of salt. [Gen 19:26]
9. What happened to these wicked cities?
God rained fire and brimstone from heaven upon them. [Gen 19:24-25, 28-29]
10. Of what is the destruction of Sodom and Gomorrah a sign?
Of the end of the world. [Mt 10:15]

Memory verse: "And, behold, I come quickly; and My reward is with Me, to give every man according as his work shall be"
(Revelation 22:12).

Lesson 11

Isaac

Genesis 18, 21, 22

1. Why did the LORD visit Abraham?
To tell him that Sarah would have a son, Isaac. [Gen 18:10]
2. Why did Sarah laugh when God promised them a son?
Because she was so very old already. [Gen 18:11-12]
3. What did God answer Sarah?
"Is anything too hard for the Lord" (Gen 18:14)?
4. Who mocked Isaac?
Ishmael, the son of Hagar. [Gen 21:8-9]
5. Was God angry with Ishmael?
Yes, He told Abraham to send Ishmael and Hagar away. [Gen 21:10-12]
6. What did God command Abraham to do with Isaac?
To offer Isaac to God on an altar. [Gen 22:2]
7. Where did God tell Abraham to offer up Isaac?
On Mount Moriah at Jerusalem. [Gen 22:2-4; cf 2 Chr 3:1]
8. Why was Abraham willing to offer up his son?
He knew that God could raise Isaac from the dead. [Heb 11:17-19]
9. What did God give in the place of Isaac?
A ram which was caught in the bushes. [Gen 22:12-13]
10. What did the ram represent?
The Lord Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God. [Gen 22:8; cf Jn 1:29]

Memory verse: "Behold the Lamb of God, Which taketh away the sin of the world" (John 1:29).

Lesson 12
Jacob
Genesis 24 - 28

1. Why did Abraham send his servant to Haran?
To get a wife for Isaac. [Gen 24:2-4]
2. Why did he go to Haran for a wife?
Isaac might not take a wife from the people of the land. [Gen 24:3]
3. How did the servant find a wife for Isaac?
He prayed that God would help him find her. [Gen 24:12-14]
4. Who became Isaac's wife?
Rebekah. [Gen 24:50-51, 67]
5. How many children did Isaac and Rebekah have?
God gave them twins, Jacob and Esau. [Gen 25:24-26]
6. What did God tell Rebekah before these children were born?
That He loved Jacob, but hated Esau. [Gen 25:23]
7. How did Esau show that he was wicked?
He sold his birthright for a bowl of pottage. [Gen 25:29-34]
8. Was Jacob honest in seeking the blessing?
No, he lied to his father. [Gen 27:18-19, 24]
9. How did Jacob lie to his father?
He pretended that he was Esau. [Gen 27:6-27]
10. What happened when Esau sought to kill Jacob?
Jacob fled to his uncle Laban. [Gen 27:42-43; cf Gen 28:10]

Memory verse: "By faith Isaac blessed Jacob and Esau concerning things to come" (Hebrews 11:20).

Lesson 13
Jacob in Haran
Genesis 28 - 33, 35

1. What happened to Jacob on his way to Haran?
The Lord appeared to him in a dream. [Gen 28:11-12]
2. What did the Lord promised to Jacob in the dream?
That God would be with him and bless him. [Gen 28:13-15]
3. How long did Jacob stay with Laban in Haran?
Twenty years, working for his wives and cattle. [Gen 31:38, 41]
4. How many wives did Jacob have?
Two: Leah and Rachel. [Gen 29:16-20, 23-25, 27-28]
5. How many children did God give Jacob?
Twelve sons and one daughter. [Gen 35:22-26; cf Gen 30:21]
6. Did Laban treat Jacob well?
No, he often changed his wages. [Gen 29:24-25; 30:26-30; 31:7]
7. How was it possible for Jacob to become rich?
The Lord was with him. [Gen 30:43; cf Gen 31:9-13]
8. Why did Jacob leave Laban?
Because the Lord told him to go back to Canaan. [Gen 31:13]
9. What happened to Jacob on the way to Canaan?
Jacob wrestled with God. [Gen 32:24-26]
10. Did Esau kill Jacob when he saw him again?
No, God kept Esau from doing him any harm. [Gen 33:4]

Memory verse: "I have seen God face to face, and my life is preserved"
(Genesis 32:30).

Lesson 14
Joseph
Genesis 37, 39

1. Which son did Jacob love the most?
Joseph, the son of Rachel. [Gen 37:3]
2. How did Jacob show his love for Joseph?
He gave him a coat of many colours. [Gen 37:3]
3. Why did Jacob show special favour to Joseph?
He wanted him to have the birthright blessing. [Gen 37:3]
4. How did the brothers feel about this?
They were jealous of Joseph and hated him. [Gen 37:4]
5. What made them hate Joseph still more?
He dreamed that his brothers bowed down to him. [Gen 37:5-11]
6. What did the brothers do to Joseph?
They sold him as a slave into Egypt. [Gen 37:20-28]
7. What lie did the brothers tell Jacob when they came home?
They told him that a wild beast had eaten Joseph. [Gen 37:31-32]
8. What happened to Joseph in Egypt?
He became Potiphar's chief servant. [Gen 39:1-4]
9. What did Potiphar do to Joseph?
He put Joseph in prison. [Gen 39:20]
10. Had Joseph done any wrong?
No, Potiphar's wife lied about him. [Gen 39:7-18]

Memory verse: "The arms of his hands were made strong by the hands of the mighty God of Jacob" (Genesis 49:24).

Lesson 15
Joseph as Ruler in Egypt
Genesis 39 - 50

1. How did God show that He was with Joseph in prison?
The keeper of the prison liked Joseph. [Gen 39:21-23]
2. Who were brought into the prison with Joseph?
The king's butler and baker. [Gen 40:1-3]
3. Why were the butler and the baker sad one day?
God gave each of them a dream. [Gen 40:5-6]
4. And what happened when these dreams troubled them?
God showed Joseph what these dreams meant. [Gen 40:8-19]
5. To whom else did God give dreams?
To Pharaoh, the king of Egypt. [Gen 41:1]
6. Who explained the king's dreams?
Joseph, who was brought out of prison to do that. [Gen 41:14-16]
7. How did Pharaoh reward Joseph?
He made him ruler of the land. [Gen 41:39-44]
8. Who came to Joseph?
His brothers came to buy food. [Gen 42:1-6]
9. Did they recognise Joseph?
No, not until Joseph told them who he was. [Gen 42:7-8; cf Gen 45:1-3]
10. Was Jacob glad to hear that his son was still living?
Yes, he and his sons came to live in Egypt. [Gen 45:28; 46:3-6, 26, 29-30]

Memory verse: "Ye thought evil against me; but God meant it unto good"
(Genesis 50:20).

Lesson 16
Moses
Exodus 2 - 4

1. Were the people of Israel happy in Egypt?
No, a cruel king arose who made them slaves. [Ex 1:8-14]
2. What did the king command the Israelites to do?
To throw all their baby boys into the river. [Ex 1:22]
3. Who was born at this time?
A beautiful boy whose name was Moses. [Ex 2:2, 10]
4. Did his parents throw him into the river?
No, his mother placed Moses in a basket, and set it in the river. [Ex 2:3]
5. Why did Moses' mother set the basket in the river?
So that the king's daughter would find him. [Ex 2:5-9]
6. Did the king's daughter take Moses home?
Yes, but she paid Moses' mother to take care of him when he was younger. [Ex 2:9-10]
7. Did Moses want to remain in the palace?
No, he wanted to help the people of God. [Ex 2:11-15; cf Heb 11:24-25]
8. How did Moses try to help God's people?
He killed an Egyptian, and had to flee to Midian. [Ex 2:11-15]
9. Who appeared to Moses in Midian?
God appeared to him in a burning bush. [Ex 3:2-4]
10. What did God tell Moses to do?
To go back to Egypt and lead Israel out of the land. [Ex 3:7-10]

Memory verse: "By faith Moses, when he was come to years, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter" (Hebrews 11:24).

Lesson 17
Israel's Deliverance
Exodus 5 - 14

1. What did Moses tell king Pharaoh?
"Thus saith the LORD God of Israel, Let My people go" (Ex 5:1).
2. What did Pharaoh do when he heard God's command?
Pharaoh made the people work still harder. [Ex 5:2, 4-9]
3. What did God send upon Egypt?
Ten great plagues. [Ex 9:13-14]
4. Did all the plagues also come on Israel?
No, God showed that He was taking care of His people. [Eg, Ex 9:23-26]
5. What were the Israelites doing when the last plague came?
They were eating the Passover feast. [Ex 12:21-30]
6. What was the last plague?
All the firstborn sons of Egypt died. [Ex 12:29]
7. Were the Egyptians glad to see Israel go?
Yes, they even gave them presents. [Ex 12:33, 35-36]
8. Did Pharaoh let Israel go in peace?
No, he followed after them with his army. [Ex 14:4-9]
9. Did God save Israel from Pharaoh?
Yes, He led them through the Red Sea on dry ground. [Ex 14:13-14, 21-22, 29-30]
10. What happened to Pharaoh?
He and his army were drowned in the sea. [Ex 14:16-17, 23-28]

Memory verse: "When I see the blood, I will pass over you"
(Exodus 12:13).

Lesson 18

Israel in the Wilderness

1. How did God lead Israel in the wilderness?
By a pillar of cloud by day, and a pillar of fire by night. [Ex 13:21-22]
2. How did God feed Israel?
He rained manna from heaven and gave them water from the rock. [Ex 16:13-15; 17:5-6]
3. How did God clothe Israel in the wilderness?
He kept their clothes and sandals from wearing out. [Deut 29:5]
4. What did God give Israel at Sinai?
He gave them the Law. [Ex 24:12; cf Ex 20:1-17; Deut 5:6-21]
5. What did God tell Moses to build?
A tabernacle to worship God. [Ex 25:1-9]
6. How did Israel sin at Sinai?
They made and served a golden calf. [Ex 32:19-24]
7. Which other sins did they commit in the desert?
They cried for meat, and they thought God could not give them water. [Num 20:1-5; 21:5]
8. What did Moses do when Israel came near Canaan?
Moses sent out twelve men to spy out the land. [Num 13:1-20]
9. Did these spies bring a good report?
Two of them did, but the others made the people afraid. [Num 13:30-33; 14:6-9]
10. What did Israel do when they heard the evil report?
They wanted to go back to Egypt. [Num 14:1-4]

Memory verse: "O give thanks unto the God of heaven: for His mercy endureth for ever" (Psalm 136:26).

Lesson 19

Israel in the Wilderness (cont.)

1. How did God punish Israel for wanting to go back to Egypt?
He made them wander in the wilderness for 40 years. [Num 14:20-34]
2. How were Korah, Dathan, and Abiram punished?
The earth opened and swallowed them up. [Num 16:23-34]
3. What happened when Israel grew tired and grumbled about the manna?
God sent fiery serpents which killed many of them. [Num 21:5-6]
4. How was Israel saved from the fiery serpents?
They looked at the brazen serpent which Moses lifted up. [Num 21:8-9]
5. Who tried to destroy Israel?
Balak, the king of Moab. [Num 22:1-4]
6. How did Balak try to destroy Israel?
He asked the wicked prophet Balaam to curse Israel. [Num 22:5-6]
7. Did Balaam curse Israel?
No, God made Balaam bless Israel. [Num 23:7-12, 15-19; 24:2-10]
8. Which kings did Israel destroy?
Og, king of Bashan, and Sihon, king of the Amorites. [Num 21:23-24, 33-35]
9. Did Moses lead Israel into Canaan?
No, but God showed him much of Canaan from Mount Nebo before he died. [Deut 34:1-6]
10. Why might Moses not enter Canaan?
Because he hit the rock in anger when God told him to speak to it.
[Num 20:12]

Memory verse: "And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of man be lifted up" (John 3:14).

Lesson 20
Israel enters Canaan
Joshua 1 - 10

1. Who led Israel after Moses died?
Joshua, the servant of Moses. [Jos 1:1-2]
2. What did Joshua do when they came near Jericho?
Joshua sent two spies to look over the city. [Jos 2:1]
3. How did Israel get over the Jordan?
God made the river-bed dry before them. [Jos 3:11-17]
4. How were they told to take the city?
God commanded them to march around the walls for seven days. [Jos 6:1-4, 15-16]
5. How did they enter Jericho?
God made the walls to fall down. [Jos 6:5, 20]
6. Did Israel kill all the people of Jericho?
Yes, all except Rahab and her family, because she hid the spies. [Jos 6:21-25]
7. Why could Israel not capture Ai the first time?
Because Achan had stolen things from Jericho. [Jos 7:1, 10-11, 20-21]
8. How was Achan punished?
He and his family were stoned to death and burned. [Jos 7:25]
9. In what other special way did God help His people fight their battles?
He made the sun and moon to stand still. [Jos 10:12-13]
10. Why did God give Israel the land of Canaan?
To be a picture of heaven. (Cf Heb 11:8-10, 13-16).

Memory verse: "But as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord"
(Joshua 24:15).

Lesson 21
Ehud and Deborah
Judges 3 - 5

1. Did Israel serve the Lord after Joshua died?
No, they soon forgot God and served idols. [Jdg 3:5-7]
2. How was Israel punished?
God gave them into the hands of their enemies. [Jdg 3:8]
3. Did God also help them?
Yes, He caused them to repent, and sent judges to help them. [Jdg 3:9-11]
4. Name one king who came into Canaan to rule over Israel.
Eglon, the king of Moabites. [Jdg 3:12-14]
5. How was Israel delivered from the Moabites?
Ehud, the judge, stabbed Eglon with a dagger. [Jdg 3:15-26]
6. Who was judge when the Canaanites ruled over Israel?
Deborah, who was also a prophetess. [Jdg 4:2-4]
7. Whom did she command to fight against the Canaanites?
Barak, who refused to go unless she went along. [Jdg 4:6-9]
8. Did the Canaanites have a strong army?
Yes, they even had horses and chariots. [Jdg 4:13; 5:22]
9. How did the Lord give Barak the victory?
He gave Barak's army strength to fight the battle powerfully. [Jdg 4:14-15; 5:12-23]
10. What happened to the Canaanite captain, Sisera?
He was killed by a woman when he hid in her tent. [Jdg 4:17-21; 5:24-27]

Memory verse: "Then they cry unto the Lord in their trouble, and He saveth them out of their distresses" (Psalm 107:19).

Lesson 22
Gideon
Judges 6 - 8

1. How long did the Midianites rule over Israel?
For seven years. [Jdg 6:1]
2. How did they trouble Israel?
They stole their crops. [Jdg 6:2-6]
3. What did the Lord tell Gideon to do?
To break down the altar of Baal, and make a sacrifice to God. [Jdg 6:25-26]
4. How did Gideon begin to deliver Israel?
He sent for a large army to fight the Midianites. [Jdg 6:34-35; 7:3]
5. Did God want Gideon to have a large army?
No, He wanted to teach Israel that God gives the victory. [Jdg 7:2]
6. How many men did Gideon finally have left?
Only 300 men. [Jdg 7:4-7]
7. How did Gideon's army prepare to fight against the enemy?
Each man had a trumpet, and a lamp inside a pitcher. [Jdg 7:15-16]
8. What did Gideon's men do with the trumpets and pitchers?
They blew the trumpets and broke the pitchers. [Jdg 7:19-20]
9. What did Gideon's men shout as they went into battle?
"The sword of the Lord, and of Gideon" (Jdg 7:18).
10. What happened to the Midianites?
They were driven out of the land. [Jdg 8:28]

Memory verse: "Let God arise, let His enemies be scattered" (Psalm 68:1).

Lesson 23
Samson
Judges 13 - 16

1. Whom did the Lord call to fight the Philistines?
Samson. [Jdg 13:24-25, cf v 5]
2. What did the angel tell Samson's parents about him?
That he would be a Nazarite. [Jdg 13:3-5]
3. How was Samson able to fight all alone?
The Spirit of the Lord made him very strong. [Jdg 14:5-6, 19; 15:14-15]
4. Why did Samson catch 300 foxes?
To burn the corn field of the Philistines. [Jdg 15:4-5]
5. What did he do with a jaw bone?
He killed a thousand Philistines. [Jdg 15:14-15]
6. What did Samson do with the gates of a city?
He carried them to a high hill. [Jdg 16:2-3]
7. What sin did Samson commit?
He married heathen women. [Jdg 16:4]
8. What happened when his hair was cut?
He lost his strength. [Jdg 16:17-19]
9. What did the Philistines do to Samson?
They dug out his eyes and put him in prison. [Jdg 16:21]
10. Did God hear Samson's prayer in the temple of the Philistines?
Yes, and many Philistines were killed when the temple fell. [Jdg 16:26-30]

Memory verse: "The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?"
(Psalm 27:1)

Lesson 24
Ruth
Book of Ruth

1. Why did Naomi go to Moab?
Because there was a famine in Israel. [Ruth 1:1]
2. What did her two sons do in Moab?
They married women of Moab. [Ruth 1:2-4]
3. Did the Lord bless Naomi's family in Moab?
No, her husband and two sons died. [Ruth 1:3, 5, cf v 20-21]
4. What did Naomi learn from these deaths in her family?
That she must go back to Israel if she wanted God's blessing. [Ruth 1:6]
5. Did Ruth and Orpah both go back with Naomi?
No, only Ruth went along. [Ruth 1:7-14]
6. Why did Ruth go along with Naomi?
Because she loved God. [Ruth 1:16-17; 2:12]
7. What did Ruth say?
"Thy people shall be my people, and thy God my God" (Ruth 1:16)
8. How did Ruth meet Boaz?
She picked up grain in the fields of Boaz. [Ruth 2:1-3]
9. What did Boaz do for Ruth?
He protected her and showed her kindness. [Ruth 2:8-9, 14-16]
10. Did Ruth later marry Boaz?
Yes, and she became the great-grandmother of David. [Ruth 4:10, 13-17]

Memory verse: "Intreat me not to leave thee, or to return from following after thee" (Ruth 1:16).

Lesson 25
Samuel
1 Samuel 1 - 9

1. What did Hannah ask of the Lord?
She asked for a son who would serve the Lord. [1 Sam 1:10-11, 15]
2. Did the Lord hear her prayer?
Yes, God gave her Samuel. [1 Sam 1:19-20]
3. Where did Samuel's mother take him?
To Eli, the priest, to serve in the tabernacle. [1 Sam 1:24-28]
4. What happened when Samuel was still young?
The Lord called him and spoke to him. [1 Sam 3:2-10]
5. What did the Lord tell Samuel?
That Eli and his wicked sons would die in one day. [1 Sam 3:11-14]
6. How did Eli's sons died?
They died in the battle with the Philistines. [1 Sam 4:11, 16-17]
7. What else happened in this battle?
The ark of God was taken. [1 Sam 4:11, 17]
8. What happened to Eli when he heard the ark was taken?
He fell from his chair and broke his neck. [1 Sam 4:18]
9. Why did the Philistines send the ark back to Israel?
God sent plagues upon the Philistines. [1 Sam 5:1 – 6:2, 7-15]
10. What did the people ask of Samuel?
They asked for a king. [1 Sam 8:5-22]

Memory verse: "Then Samuel answered, Speak; for Thy servant heareth"
(1 Samuel 3:10).