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A Letter From Laura Clancy

NEW NMSI CEO

"Then Jesus came to them and said, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.'"

—Matthew 28:18-20

In 1910, missionaries gathered together in Edinburgh, Scotland, to pray purposefully for the spread of the gospel into all nations. The majority of delegates at this Edinburgh Conference came from developed, Western countries—only eight from "majority world" countries. This

year, in celebration of the 100th anniversary of the Edinburgh Conference, regional gatherings are being held worldwide.

In May, NMSI sent two delegates to the Tokyo Conference. Lowell Hunefeld (Director of International Operations) and Bill Stapleton (former missionary to Japan and NMSI Board member) were among 2,000 attendees who represented many fruits of missionary endeavors since Edinburgh. In contrast to the first conference, 80% of the delegates in Tokyo came from majority world countries.

The commitment to preach the gospel to all nations is just as strong today as it was 100 years ago. Our focus remains on those who have never

heard the good news of Jesus Christ. More than ever before, the global church is working together across nationalities and cultures to bring the gospel to all nations.

In this edition of Newlink, the stories that follow illustrate the intercultural work of the Church. We desire to share with you stories of how God is proclaiming His Name among the fields He has ripened.

In Chile, Urban Action Ministries reaches out to youth in the prevalent skateboarding culture. Habacuc and Liz Diaz-Ramos and John Laffoon cross unique language and culture barriers. They befriend those whom the majority culture has forgotten with the intention of making disciples.

Fifteen years ago in Perth, Australia, the Seven Streams of Grace was born. Now God has taken this refreshing Bible curriculum to several countries around the world, transforming hundreds of lives. Translation work has begun in five languages with plans for 14 more.

I pray that as you read of the various ways God redeems his people, that you will be drawn into thanksgiving, praise and worship.

In His service,
Laura Clancy



WELCOMING OUR NEW CEO

While multiple leadership changes within two years is not ideal, we believe that God continues to work in our lives individually and communally to bring about

His Kingdom here on earth. It is with great hope and thanksgiving to God that we introduce our current CEO, Laura Clancy.

Laura and her family have been with NMSI almost since the beginning. She and her husband, Will, along with their son, Marc, were some of NMSI's first

missionaries. They ministered in Russia from 1996-1999. In 2003, Laura became our Board Chair and served in that capacity until 2008. At that time she stayed on for the following

year as a member of our Board of Directors. In 2010, she was asked to be a consultant to the Board until they appointed her as CEO in April.



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URBAN ACTION MINISTRIES

A MINISTRY ABOUT RELATIONSHIPS, RELEVANCE AND HOPE

On a slab of concrete behind a rural Kentucky church during the early 1990's, you could find the same handful of teenagers hanging around each day. They came with sad histories, broken hearts and skateboards. For hours they would grind the short railing, carving up the small ramps and turning various styles of 360s. No one from the church building ever ventured out to this makeshift skate park. So when Habacuc and Liz Diaz-Ramos arrived and began skating, they entered into a culture few adults engage.

Over time, Habacuc and Liz learned how to skate. They also learned the new jargon of skateboarding and about the lives of their fellow skaters. During this time, God placed a clear calling on their lives to befriend, love and disciple skater youth. Eventually, this life-long calling led to the establishment of Urban Action Ministries in 2002. After joining NMSI, they returned to Habacuc's home country and began ministering in Santiago, Chile, in 2006.

// The Gospel is the good news of Jesus Christ, it can be expressed in many forms. Urban Action Ministries is expressing that good news through relationship, relevance and hope. //

Habacuc Diaz-Ramos
Co-founder of Urban Action Ministries

As Habacuc went to skate regularly at one of Santiago's three skate parks, he began forming relationships with a group of 30 youth skaters known locally as Busta Sur.

Diego* skated with Busta Sur. As with most Chilean youth, he grew up without a father and with little hope for a future. To escape the painful realities of life, Diego turned to alcohol and drugs for entertainment. His friends all did too. With the unemployment rate in Chile reaching 10%, Diego had given up on a good job. He preferred to spend his days skating. At least he belonged in Busta Sur. They were his family.

Diego grew fond of Habacuc and Liz. He called them *Tio* and *Tia*—Spanish for *Uncle* and *Aunt*. For Diego, and for Chileans in general, *Tio* and *Tia* convey deep affection and

respect. Although they were not much older than Diego, he looked up to Habacuc and Liz as trusted adults. He enjoyed the relationship with them. On nights when he had nowhere else to go, he slept at Habacuc and Liz's house.

Today, whenever he goes to their home, Diego knows he will be well-fed (especially if he's had nothing to eat all day), that he will be welcomed, and that when he asks the many questions that fill his head, he will receive good advice from his *Tios*.

Liz expresses her hope for Diego and his fellow skaters, "Over time, our prayer is that these kids will become the ones sharing the gospel and sitting with other kids who have been looked down on or forgotten."

Habacuc follows saying, "It is a lonely ministry at times, and most days it is

overwhelming because it requires so much patience. Building trust and relationships with kids who have never known such things will not happen overnight or even in a year. But we continue to go outside of our church walls, outside of our personal comfort zones, to meet youth where they are at, where they are comfortable. Then we see them express their gifts when no one else does."

Habacuc and Liz are NMSI missionaries who founded UAM in Chile, and they invite you to get involved. They share their lives with youth who would otherwise never enter a church building, and they have welcomed them in to their family. They are able to host skating events, mentor, disciple, feed, answer questions about God, and provide shoulders to cry on.

*Diego is a fictional character based on many of the actual Busta Sur youth.



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HEAR FROM
YOU!**

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FACTS ABOUT URBAN ACTION MINISTRIES

YOUTH

- Skate at Parque Bustamante, in Providencia Santiago, Chile.
- The crew that UAM skates with, about 30 kids, is called Busta Sur.
- All the youth of Busta Sur come from broken homes and have no father figure in their lives. Skateboarding is life, and they are each other's family.

URBAN ACTION TEAM

- UAM is a team of three, Habacuc and Liz Diaz-Ramos, and John Laffoon.
- Together since 2002 and in Chile since December 2006.
- Strong networks established with churches, youth groups and para-church ministries.
- Need more team members to expand this ministry!

SANTIAGO, CHILE

- Population: over seven million people (43% of the total country).
- There are three skate spots in the city.
- UAM is one of two ministries who are reaching kids at the skateparks.
- There are no indoor skate parks to skate during the winter months.
- Most of the skaters use drugs and alcohol as entertainment and a way to escape.





STREAMS OF GRACE

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Unveiling the coherence, beauty and genius of the very best book in the world.

Did you ever wonder how individual stories in the Bible relate to one another? Or how the Old Testament fits with the New Testament? You are not alone. As Andrew Olsen studied intently, he saw seven themes emerge from scripture. He calls them the Seven Streams of Grace. These themes flow from Genesis to Revelation. They remind us that the Bible is a book of stories woven together to tell One Big Story—the Story of how God loves his children and came to rescue them.



What was born of a whim has now become an international ministry.

To get a better look at the Seven Streams of Grace poster, take a look at the fold-out at the end of this issue!

Andrew Olsen has been teaching on the Bible from the perspective of Seven Streams of Grace for years now. NMSI missionaries and several churches have benefited from this method of teaching scripture. Recently, God has brought several factors together to use this curriculum as a valuable tool for discipleship and pastoral training cross-culturally.

First, God provided a graphically skilled young man named Josh Walker who spent months work-

ing with Andrew's pictures and text to create a poster and other practical visual aids. Then, God brought missionaries who needed teaching tools.

A veteran missionary, C.V. Elliott, has developed a long-standing partnership with a ministry in Hyderabad, India, over 25 years. In young, maturing church plants, pastors feel increasing pressure to deepen and expand their biblical knowledge while at the same time becoming more equipped as leaders. So necessarily, C.V.'s ministry in India

widely consists of leadership development and Bible teaching. While making preparations for last year's trip, he spent time brainstorming ideas with Andrew Olsen for what new material to cover. Ironically, the idea of taking Seven Streams of Grace (SSoG) overseas was born mostly on a whim. Within the past year, this global ministry has become increasingly significant for national churches.

"In the non-Western world, at the grassroots level," C.V. explains, "you

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ASK ANDREW

Q: Where did the Seven Streams of Grace (SSoG) come from?

A: SSoG was inspired by a series of 100 mini dramas I performed at my church in Perth, Australia, over several years.

Q: How did you put it all together?

A: I designed the matrix (seen on the last fold-out pages of this Newslink) to show how God works through each stream of grace in each era of history. The columns are historical eras and the rows are the themes or streams of grace.

Q: How is the SSoG used?

A: It's an interactive storytelling tool. The goal is for participants to re-tell the stories they hear. You can pack it into a five or six hour intensive session or spread it out over weeks of church classes. It's simple enough that children can comprehend and deep enough to engage theologians. Even people with limited literacy and education can use the SSoG with great success.

Q: What is the purpose of SSoG?

A: To proclaim the Good News! Through this curriculum many people, including long-time Christians, have been delighted to find that the Bible is the most incredibly coherent, entirely profound, most complex, adventurous, mysterious, historical, tragic, comedic, dramatic, prophetic romance story ever told. And the main character is a completely good, beautiful, loving, powerful, active God who is preparing us to become a Bride for his Son.

Q: Do you have to speak English in order to use the SSoG or participate in a class?

A: Actually, SSoG has now been translated into both French and Creole with translations in process for Khmer, Burmese, and Telegu. We have plans for translation into the other 14 main Indian languages. If you need it in another language, we are happy to talk to you about the possibility of translating it.

Q: Is the SSoG available to people outside of NMSI?

A: Yes! Teaching notes, handouts, posters and a book are all free to download at www.sevenstreamsofgrace.com. On the website you can also view videos of teaching on the SSoG and audio commentary.

What some people are saying about SSoG

"I feel like I've been through three years of Bible college in one week."

Indian Participant

"Many leaders in Haiti believe that God is a tyrant in the sky who is unapproachable. I want every leader in Haiti to know that God through Jesus Christ has delivered us from the curse and offers us riches beyond riches through faith in Jesus Christ. SSoG makes that so very clear. I expect SSoG will overwhelm the leaders and teachers with the very deep mystery of God's grace toward us and our unworthiness."

**Wanda Fahnestock
Missionary to Haiti**

"My students were very energized as they saw how God's word is one complete story rather than a bunch of unrelated events. My students were also very eager to take it back and use it in their own ministries and churches."

**Mark Fishel
Missionary to SE Asia**



One of 87 images in the Seven Streams of Grace matrix, this illustration comes from the “church” era column in the “rule” stream. At this point in God’s redemptive history, his Kingdom and rule are now expressed through the Church. God’s Kingdom is no longer geographical (Promised Land), but is spiritual. His dominion is rooted in human hearts, making Christ-followers victorious over their darkest enemies: sin, Satan and death.

The photograph on page 12, shows Burmese participants discussing this illustration. See the poster fold out to the left for details on how it fits into the matrix.

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find people who have very definitely had an experience of God and who want to bring that experience to other people. With limited education and literacy, the ability to use the Bible is also constrained. It’s like looking through a very tiny window. What SSoG does is open the window very wide. So particularly in these situations overseas, it is much like taking participants through the entire Bible—66 books—in ten hours (or 20 via a translator). Most people think it’s impossible to teach the whole Bible in ten hours. That is one beauty of the SSoG matrix.

“In every cultural setting, there are challenges and opportunities. We are trying to be highly adaptive to all the contexts in which we teach. We

impress upon all the pastors that SSoG is not about preaching or about reading from the Bible; it is about telling stories.” This method works because of the particular organization of the SSoG. It gives meaning to the different historical-biblical eras and shows how the Bible is a chronological tapestry rather than a single timeline. It teaches people how to interpret any scripture passage in light of salvation history and core gospel themes. The SSoG draws full attention to God as the protagonist of every Bible text.

As participants gradually recognize that the text is not just a religious book, but a story about God, they start smiling. To the measure that they recognize the centrality and beauty of God, they do the work of applying the

text to their lives all by themselves. They do it out of delight and a desire to participate in the dance of His Love. Remarking on his time teaching in India, C.V. said, “There was a point when the lights went on, and I watched the light flow across the entire audience. It was really special for me as a teacher. I love to see the recognition in people’s faces when they begin to see how it all fits together.”

For more information about SSoG, to participate in a workshop, or to become involved in the ministry, please visit: www.sevenstreamsofgrace.com

NMSI missionary C.V. Elliott (seen center below) has taught Seven Streams of Grace now in India, Myanmar, and Cambodia. He’s seen below with Andrew Olsen (right) and Josh Walker (left).

A Persistent Prayer

A MISSIONARY IN HAITI SEES HER PRAYERS ANSWERED

After many years of ministering and mastering the local language, Wanda Fahnestock was approached by national leaders of the Union of Evangelical Baptist Churches of Haiti to develop a Sunday school program. Over 100 churches would implement this curriculum. Wanda prayed for God’s answer to this request; she felt overwhelmed by both the artistic and organizational aspects of this endeavor. Many years passed without God answering. Eventually Wanda left Haiti for a furlough and additional training, still without a solution for the Sunday schools.

During a training program at NMSI in the fall of 2009, Wanda was introduced to the Seven Streams of Grace (SSoG) curriculum. She realized as she listened in the session that there was a highly organized play unfolding behind many of the “individual” drama scenes in the Bible. Never before has she seen Scripture so clearly. Wanda still remembers that day, “It was so much so quickly, and it was the whole Bible! I’d often told the church folks in Haiti that the Bible was like a love letter from God to us. The message of SSoG is just that! It helped me step back and see the bigger picture of the huge orchestra God is directing, to see how the different sounds compliment each other. I walked home that afternoon stunned by what I’d seen, overflowing with joy.”

Later that night, Wanda felt God’s Spirit powerfully. Tears of thankfulness streamed down her face as she realized that God brought her out of Haiti in order to answer her persistent prayer. What she had looked for already existed. She did not have to create curriculum from scratch. She did, however, need to raise additional funds to provide for others to come alongside of her to help translate and reproduce SSoG for use in Haiti. Finally, Wanda has been able to give the Haitian Evangelical Baptist churches a pictorial, interconnected, intercultural, simple yet profound way of communicating God’s heart of love and grace for mankind. All she could do now was thank God.



A QUICK LOOK INSIDE THIS ISSUE:

URBAN ACTION MINISTRIES

For over 10 years, Habacuc and Liz Diaz-Ramos have engaged in the youth skater culture. Their ministry is one of relationships, relevance and hope. Befriending kids who have never known trustworthy adults takes immense love and patience, but the rewards are great, for both the kids and the Diaz-Ramoses.

STREAMS OF GRACE

From Perth, Australia, to Fort Myers, Florida, to Hyderabad, India, God is using this unique Bible curriculum to tell his Story of love, grace and redemption. The Bible is not just a religious book, but a coherent, beautiful love letter.

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WHERE WE'LL BE
THIS FALL

2010 AFRICA REGIONAL
NMSI CONFERENCE
SOUTH AFRICA • SEPT 11-17

2010 ASIA REGIONAL
NMSI CONFERENCE
CAMBODIA • SEPT 18-24

CATALYST CONFERENCE
ATLANTA • OCT 6-8

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HEALTH CONFERENCE
LOUISVILLE • NOV 11-13

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YOU CAN USE THE POSTER IN TWO WAYS

FROM LEFT TO RIGHT

You can start at the top and move along the columns from left to right following eras in biblical history (marked by yellow and red column headers).

FROM THE TOP DOWN

You can also move along the rows from top to bottom discovering how the Seven Streams are woven into the larger story of God's redemptive plan.

The poster shows the gradual restoration of seven blessings lost from Eden. The artwork found at each intersection in the matrix shows how each theme of Grace is developed and fulfilled.

1 LIFE

At the creation, Adam and Eve had the very life of the LORD breathed into them. Even further, they were given a garden in which the Tree of Life was not only central, but also fully open for them to eat and have infinite life forever!

2 REST

At the creation, Adam and Eve had the very rest of the LORD granted to them. The LORD declared and celebrated his own sabbath rest after all his work of creation, embracing Adam, Eve and all creation into it with Him!

3 RULE

At the creation, Adam and Eve were personally appointed into the very rule of the LORD. He granted them dominion over all creation, commanding them to subdue and master it, and honoring them with the power to name every creature!

4 BLESSING

At the creation, Adam and Eve had the very blessing of the LORD pronounced upon them. Even further, blessing was bestowed upon every day of the creation and expressed in the outrageous abundance of the garden!

5 PURITY

At the creation, Adam and Eve had the very purity of the LORD bestowed upon them. They were made in the very image of the LORD, and their freedom from sin was so complete that they enjoyed nakedness without shame.

6 FRIENDSHIP

At the creation, Adam and Eve had the very friendship of the LORD himself. He spoke with them, shared his work with them, and walked with them in His pleasure.

7 SAVIOR

At creation Adam, and Eve had every good thing that the LORD could possibly give them. Yet, there was something even more amazing about the heart of the LORD that they could not possibly know in their created relationship with Him. What could that be? The person of Jesus Christ.

The Seven Streams of Grace

	CREATION	FALL	PROMISE	FLOOD	PATRIARCHS	SLAVERY	EXODUS & CONQUEST	ANARCHY	KINGS	IDOLATRY	WISDOM	FOLLY	PROPHETS	EXILE	REMNANT	SILENCE	JESUS	CROSS	RESURRECTION	THE CHURCH	LAST DAYS	GOSPEL TO NATIONS	JUDGEMENT	NEW CREATION			
1	Life	A: The Garden of Eden was a place of perfect life, where Adam and Eve enjoyed the presence of God and the fruit of the Tree of Life.	B: The Fall brought death to Adam, Eve, and all creation, separating them from God's life-giving presence.	C: The Promise of the New Covenant was given to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, pointing forward to the ultimate redemption.	D: The Flood was a judgment on a wicked world, but also a fresh start for Noah and his righteous family.	E: The Patriarchs lived in a state of spiritual slavery, longing for the freedom of the Promised Land.	F: The Exodus and Conquest were acts of liberation, as God freed His people from Egyptian bondage.	G: The Anarchy of the Judges was a time of chaos and oppression, where God raised up deliverers.	H: The Kings of Israel sought wisdom and guidance, but often turned to idols and false gods.	I: The Idolatry of the Kings led to the fall of the kingdom, as they rejected God's authority.	J: The Wisdom of the Kings was a search for meaning and truth in a world of confusion.	K: The Folly of the Kings was their rejection of God's wisdom and their pursuit of worldly power.	L: The Prophets spoke God's truth to a people who had grown hard-hearted and rebellious.	M: The Exile was a time of suffering and loss, but also a time of spiritual refinement.	N: The Remnant of the Exile were those who remained faithful to God despite the hardships.	O: The Silence of the Remnant was a time of waiting and prayer, as they longed for God's return.	P: Jesus, the Son of God, came to earth to bring life and grace to all who believe in Him.	Q: The Cross was the ultimate sacrifice, where Jesus died for the sins of the world.	R: The Resurrection was the triumph of life over death, proving Jesus' divinity.	S: The Church is the body of Christ, where believers are united together in love and fellowship.	T: The Last Days are the final days of the world, when Christ will return to judge the living and the dead.	U: The Gospel to Nations is the good news of God's love and grace, shared with all people.	V: The Judgement is the final reckoning, where every person will be held accountable to God.	W: The New Creation is the ultimate restoration, where God will create a new heaven and a new earth.			
2	Rest	A: The Sabbath was a gift from God, a time to rest and remember His goodness.	B: The Sabbath was broken by the Fall, as Adam and Eve disobeyed God's command.	C: The Sabbath was restored to the people of Israel, as a sign of the covenant.	D: The Sabbath was a source of strength and renewal for the people of Israel.	E: The Sabbath was a time of spiritual refreshment and communion with God.	F: The Sabbath was a reminder of God's love and grace, and His desire for His people to rest.	G: The Sabbath was a time of joy and celebration, as the people of Israel enjoyed the fruits of the land.	H: The Sabbath was a time of reflection and prayer, as the people of Israel sought God's presence.	I: The Sabbath was a time of hope and anticipation, as the people of Israel looked forward to the Messiah.	J: The Sabbath was a time of love and fellowship, as the people of Israel shared their lives together.	K: The Sabbath was a time of peace and harmony, as the people of Israel lived in God's love.	L: The Sabbath was a time of grace and mercy, as God forgave the sins of His people.	M: The Sabbath was a time of grace and mercy, as God forgave the sins of His people.	N: The Sabbath was a time of grace and mercy, as God forgave the sins of His people.	O: The Sabbath was a time of grace and mercy, as God forgave the sins of His people.	P: The Sabbath was a time of grace and mercy, as God forgave the sins of His people.	Q: The Sabbath was a time of grace and mercy, as God forgave the sins of His people.	R: The Sabbath was a time of grace and mercy, as God forgave the sins of His people.	S: The Sabbath was a time of grace and mercy, as God forgave the sins of His people.	T: The Sabbath was a time of grace and mercy, as God forgave the sins of His people.	U: The Sabbath was a time of grace and mercy, as God forgave the sins of His people.	V: The Sabbath was a time of grace and mercy, as God forgave the sins of His people.	W: The Sabbath was a time of grace and mercy, as God forgave the sins of His people.	X: The Sabbath was a time of grace and mercy, as God forgave the sins of His people.	Y: The Sabbath was a time of grace and mercy, as God forgave the sins of His people.	Z: The Sabbath was a time of grace and mercy, as God forgave the sins of His people.
3	Rule	A: The LORD gave Adam and Eve dominion over the earth and all its creatures.	B: The Fall brought a curse on the ground, making it difficult to farm and produce food.	C: The Promise of the New Covenant was given to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, pointing forward to the ultimate redemption.	D: The Flood was a judgment on a wicked world, but also a fresh start for Noah and his righteous family.	E: The Patriarchs lived in a state of spiritual slavery, longing for the freedom of the Promised Land.	F: The Exodus and Conquest were acts of liberation, as God freed His people from Egyptian bondage.	G: The Anarchy of the Judges was a time of chaos and oppression, where God raised up deliverers.	H: The Kings of Israel sought wisdom and guidance, but often turned to idols and false gods.	I: The Idolatry of the Kings led to the fall of the kingdom, as they rejected God's authority.	J: The Wisdom of the Kings was a search for meaning and truth in a world of confusion.	K: The Folly of the Kings was their rejection of God's wisdom and their pursuit of worldly power.	L: The Prophets spoke God's truth to a people who had grown hard-hearted and rebellious.	M: The Exile was a time of suffering and loss, but also a time of spiritual refinement.	N: The Remnant of the Exile were those who remained faithful to God despite the hardships.	O: The Silence of the Remnant was a time of waiting and prayer, as they longed for God's return.	P: Jesus, the Son of God, came to earth to bring life and grace to all who believe in Him.	Q: The Cross was the ultimate sacrifice, where Jesus died for the sins of the world.	R: The Resurrection was the triumph of life over death, proving Jesus' divinity.	S: The Church is the body of Christ, where believers are united together in love and fellowship.	T: The Last Days are the final days of the world, when Christ will return to judge the living and the dead.	U: The Gospel to Nations is the good news of God's love and grace, shared with all people.	V: The Judgement is the final reckoning, where every person will be held accountable to God.	W: The New Creation is the ultimate restoration, where God will create a new heaven and a new earth.			
4	Blessing	A: The LORD blessed Adam and Eve, and they were fruitful and multiplied.	B: The Fall brought a curse on the ground, making it difficult to farm and produce food.	C: The Promise of the New Covenant was given to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, pointing forward to the ultimate redemption.	D: The Flood was a judgment on a wicked world, but also a fresh start for Noah and his righteous family.	E: The Patriarchs lived in a state of spiritual slavery, longing for the freedom of the Promised Land.	F: The Exodus and Conquest were acts of liberation, as God freed His people from Egyptian bondage.	G: The Anarchy of the Judges was a time of chaos and oppression, where God raised up deliverers.	H: The Kings of Israel sought wisdom and guidance, but often turned to idols and false gods.	I: The Idolatry of the Kings led to the fall of the kingdom, as they rejected God's authority.	J: The Wisdom of the Kings was a search for meaning and truth in a world of confusion.	K: The Folly of the Kings was their rejection of God's wisdom and their pursuit of worldly power.	L: The Prophets spoke God's truth to a people who had grown hard-hearted and rebellious.	M: The Exile was a time of suffering and loss, but also a time of spiritual refinement.	N: The Remnant of the Exile were those who remained faithful to God despite the hardships.	O: The Silence of the Remnant was a time of waiting and prayer, as they longed for God's return.	P: Jesus, the Son of God, came to earth to bring life and grace to all who believe in Him.	Q: The Cross was the ultimate sacrifice, where Jesus died for the sins of the world.	R: The Resurrection was the triumph of life over death, proving Jesus' divinity.	S: The Church is the body of Christ, where believers are united together in love and fellowship.	T: The Last Days are the final days of the world, when Christ will return to judge the living and the dead.	U: The Gospel to Nations is the good news of God's love and grace, shared with all people.	V: The Judgement is the final reckoning, where every person will be held accountable to God.	W: The New Creation is the ultimate restoration, where God will create a new heaven and a new earth.			
5	Purity	A: The LORD made Adam and Eve in His own image, and they were pure and without shame.	B: The Fall brought sin into the world, and Adam and Eve became ashamed of their nakedness.	C: The Promise of the New Covenant was given to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, pointing forward to the ultimate redemption.	D: The Flood was a judgment on a wicked world, but also a fresh start for Noah and his righteous family.	E: The Patriarchs lived in a state of spiritual slavery, longing for the freedom of the Promised Land.	F: The Exodus and Conquest were acts of liberation, as God freed His people from Egyptian bondage.	G: The Anarchy of the Judges was a time of chaos and oppression, where God raised up deliverers.	H: The Kings of Israel sought wisdom and guidance, but often turned to idols and false gods.	I: The Idolatry of the Kings led to the fall of the kingdom, as they rejected God's authority.	J: The Wisdom of the Kings was a search for meaning and truth in a world of confusion.	K: The Folly of the Kings was their rejection of God's wisdom and their pursuit of worldly power.	L: The Prophets spoke God's truth to a people who had grown hard-hearted and rebellious.	M: The Exile was a time of suffering and loss, but also a time of spiritual refinement.	N: The Remnant of the Exile were those who remained faithful to God despite the hardships.	O: The Silence of the Remnant was a time of waiting and prayer, as they longed for God's return.	P: Jesus, the Son of God, came to earth to bring life and grace to all who believe in Him.	Q: The Cross was the ultimate sacrifice, where Jesus died for the sins of the world.	R: The Resurrection was the triumph of life over death, proving Jesus' divinity.	S: The Church is the body of Christ, where believers are united together in love and fellowship.	T: The Last Days are the final days of the world, when Christ will return to judge the living and the dead.	U: The Gospel to Nations is the good news of God's love and grace, shared with all people.	V: The Judgement is the final reckoning, where every person will be held accountable to God.	W: The New Creation is the ultimate restoration, where God will create a new heaven and a new earth.			
6	Friendship	A: The LORD spoke to Adam and Eve, and they enjoyed His presence and friendship.	B: The Fall brought sin into the world, and Adam and Eve were separated from God's presence.	C: The Promise of the New Covenant was given to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, pointing forward to the ultimate redemption.	D: The Flood was a judgment on a wicked world, but also a fresh start for Noah and his righteous family.	E: The Patriarchs lived in a state of spiritual slavery, longing for the freedom of the Promised Land.	F: The Exodus and Conquest were acts of liberation, as God freed His people from Egyptian bondage.	G: The Anarchy of the Judges was a time of chaos and oppression, where God raised up deliverers.	H: The Kings of Israel sought wisdom and guidance, but often turned to idols and false gods.	I: The Idolatry of the Kings led to the fall of the kingdom, as they rejected God's authority.	J: The Wisdom of the Kings was a search for meaning and truth in a world of confusion.	K: The Folly of the Kings was their rejection of God's wisdom and their pursuit of worldly power.	L: The Prophets spoke God's truth to a people who had grown hard-hearted and rebellious.	M: The Exile was a time of suffering and loss, but also a time of spiritual refinement.	N: The Remnant of the Exile were those who remained faithful to God despite the hardships.	O: The Silence of the Remnant was a time of waiting and prayer, as they longed for God's return.	P: Jesus, the Son of God, came to earth to bring life and grace to all who believe in Him.	Q: The Cross was the ultimate sacrifice, where Jesus died for the sins of the world.	R: The Resurrection was the triumph of life over death, proving Jesus' divinity.	S: The Church is the body of Christ, where believers are united together in love and fellowship.	T: The Last Days are the final days of the world, when Christ will return to judge the living and the dead.	U: The Gospel to Nations is the good news of God's love and grace, shared with all people.	V: The Judgement is the final reckoning, where every person will be held accountable to God.	W: The New Creation is the ultimate restoration, where God will create a new heaven and a new earth.			
7	Savior	A: The LORD made Adam and Eve in His own image, and they were pure and without shame.	B: The Fall brought sin into the world, and Adam and Eve became ashamed of their nakedness.	C: The Promise of the New Covenant was given to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, pointing forward to the ultimate redemption.	D: The Flood was a judgment on a wicked world, but also a fresh start for Noah and his righteous family.	E: The Patriarchs lived in a state of spiritual slavery, longing for the freedom of the Promised Land.	F: The Exodus and Conquest were acts of liberation, as God freed His people from Egyptian bondage.	G: The Anarchy of the Judges was a time of chaos and oppression, where God raised up deliverers.	H: The Kings of Israel sought wisdom and guidance, but often turned to idols and false gods.	I: The Idolatry of the Kings led to the fall of the kingdom, as they rejected God's authority.	J: The Wisdom of the Kings was a search for meaning and truth in a world of confusion.	K: The Folly of the Kings was their rejection of God's wisdom and their pursuit of worldly power.	L: The Prophets spoke God's truth to a people who had grown hard-hearted and rebellious.	M: The Exile was a time of suffering and loss, but also a time of spiritual refinement.	N: The Remnant of the Exile were those who remained faithful to God despite the hardships.	O: The Silence of the Remnant was a time of waiting and prayer, as they longed for God's return.	P: Jesus, the Son of God, came to earth to bring life and grace to all who believe in Him.	Q: The Cross was the ultimate sacrifice, where Jesus died for the sins of the world.	R: The Resurrection was the triumph of life over death, proving Jesus' divinity.	S: The Church is the body of Christ, where believers are united together in love and fellowship.	T: The Last Days are the final days of the world, when Christ will return to judge the living and the dead.	U: The Gospel to Nations is the good news of God's love and grace, shared with all people.	V: The Judgement is the final reckoning, where every person will be held accountable to God.	W: The New Creation is the ultimate restoration, where God will create a new heaven and a new earth.			

HISTORICAL ERAS

The top row lists various eras or major events that occur throughout Bible history. They're highlighted with yellow and red boxes.

- CREATION
- FALL
- PROMISE
- FLOOD
- PATRIARCHS
- SLAVERY
- EXODUS/CONQUEST
- ANARCHY
- KINGS
- IDOLATRY
- WISDOM
- FOLLY
- PROPHETS
- EXILE
- REMNANT
- SILENCE
- JESUS
- CROSS
- RESURRECTION
- THE CHURCH
- LAST DAYS
- GOSPEL TO NATIONS
- JUDGEMENT
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