

DIG DEEP

A BIBLE STUDY GUIDE

CHRISTIAN BIBLE CHURCH
OF THE PHILIPPINES

To truly know God, we must **DIG DEEP** into His word. This year, our church will be studying one book of the Bible per month – reading every verse and every word intently.

For the first 6 months of 2017, we will study the books of Genesis to Joshua. If you follow the schedule, you will finish whole bible within 3 years.

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- REV. JEREMIAH CHEUNG



ENGLISH



JANUARY

GENESIS

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GENESIS

The title of this book, Genesis, comes from the Greek translation of the Old Testament, Septuagint, which means "**origin**" or "**source**". The Hebrew Bible is based on the first phrase "in the beginning". Genesis describes how all things originated, such as the universe, the world, humanity, families, and nations. Of course the most important thing is the **beginning of Israel**.



AUTHOR

Moses



DATE & PLACE WRITTEN

Moses lived in about 1500 B.C. The events narrated in the book happened during **4000-1700 B.C.**, spanning total of 2300 years of history. How did Moses know about the events of the past? This is based on his **Mt. Sinai and wilderness experience**. God revealed it to him. (*Acts 7:37-38*)



THEME

The book lets us see **God's creation** and **mankind's fall**. God created the universe and he created man, whose purpose is to rule over the whole earth and to demonstrate the glory of God. But man failed and fell, and yet God didn't give up on his purpose and his plan. In man's failure, God manifested his glory and his grace.



OUTLINE

4 EVENTS

Genesis 1-11

- 1-2** The Creation
- 3-5** The Fall
- 6-10** The Flood
- 11** The Tower of Babel

4 CHARACTERS

Genesis 12-50

- 12-20** Abraham
- 21-26** Isaac
- 27-36** Jacob
- 37-50** Joseph

FEBRUARY

EXODUS

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EXODUS

The Septuagint refers to the “Exodus” as “depart” or “leave”, depicting how men are originally enslaved by sin and God’s salvation **delivered them from their bondage to sin and the world**, made holy unto God. (*Exodus 19:3-6*)

 **AUTHOR** Moses

 **DATE & PLACE WRITTEN** Desert of Mt. Sinai

 **THEME** This book records **God’s deliverance of His chosen people**, as well as the **institution of the Law**, His instruction to Moses as to the **design of the tabernacle**, revealing His plan and purpose for redemption. Therefore, the main thrust of this book is “salvation”. Thus, this book is commonly referred to as the “Book of Redemption”. This is the most detailed and specific book in the Bible about God’s redemption.

KEY VERSES

Exodus 3:8 *“So I have come down to rescue them from the hand of the Egyptians and to bring them up out of that land into a good and spacious land, a land flowing with milk and honey—...”*

Exodus 6:7 *“I will take you as my own people, and I will be your God. Then you will know that I am the Lord your God, who brought you out from under the yoke of the Egyptians.”*

Exodus 19:6 *“You will be for me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation...”*



CHARACTERISTICS

1. The miracles recorded in this book are more numerous than any of the Old Testament books.
2. This book particularly contains many typology (symbolism), especially regarding Christ and salvation. These can be found in the entire book.

New Testament Symbols in the Exodus Story

Israelites	New Testament Believers
Egypt	World
Pharaoh	Devil, Satan
Moses	Christ as our prophet, mediator, intercessor, king, commander and savior
Aaron	Christ as our high priest
Passover Lamb	Christ as the lamb that was slain for us
Crossing of the Red Sea	Baptism
Amalekites	Flesh
Manna	Bread of Life
Rock	Christ as the one struck and gave forth living water
Tabernacle	Christ, and also the Church
Pillar of Cloud, Pillar of Fire The Anointing Oil	Holy Spirit



OUTLINE

- 1:1-12:36** The Israelites in Egypt
- 12:37-19:2** The Israelites depart Egypt for the desert
- 19:3-24** God institutes the Law and confirms the covenant with the Israelites
- 25-40** Building of the Tabernacle

LEVITICUS

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LEVITICUS

The Hebrew name of this book means "**and God calls**" – signifying that **God Himself spoke to the Israelites** in the Tent of Meeting. The Septuagint calls it "Leviticus" in accordance with its contents.

 **AUTHOR** Moses

 **DATE & PLACE WRITTEN** The book's chronicles began on the first day of the first month of the second year, after the sons of Israel left Egypt **when the Tabernacle was set up**, until the twentieth day of the second month **when the cloud lifted from the Tabernacle** (*Exodus 40:2*). This book must have been completed in that period or shortly thereafter, in the wilderness of Sinai.

 **THEME** God redeemed the Israelites from Egypt, **calling them out of the nations to be a kingdom of priests and a holy nation unto God** (*Exodus 19:6*). Therefore, the thrust of this book is "holiness" – "Be holy, because I, the LORD your God, am holy" (*Leviticus 19:2*).

 **PURPOSE IN WRITING** Moses wrote down what God told him with the intention of teaching the Israelites to follow **the laws and regulations of the covenant**. These rules and regulations can be broadly divided into the following three aspects:

- The Ordinance of Sacrifices** to have a deep understanding of the seriousness of sin
- The Establishment of the Law** to understand God's requirements for human living and conduct
- The Cases for Penalties** to let them know that anyone who breaks the law will be punished by God

KEY VERSES

Leviticus 1:1-2 *"The Lord called to Moses and spoke to him from the tent of meeting. He said, "Speak to the Israelites and say to them: 'When anyone among you brings an offering to the Lord, bring as your offering an animal from either the herd or the flock.'"*

Leviticus 19:1-2 *"The Lord said to Moses, "Speak to the entire assembly of Israel and say to them: 'Be holy because I, the Lord your God, am holy.'"*

OUTLINE

- 1-7** Regulations on Sacrifices
- 8-10** Ordinances of Ministry
- 11-22** The Holy People
- 23** The Feast of the Lord
- 24-27** Other Regulations and Warnings

APRIL

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NUMBERS

The Bible translators called this book “Numbers” because the book records twice the **numbering/census of the Israelites**: once in the wilderness of Sinai, and once in the plains of Moab.



AUTHOR

Moses



DATE & PLACE WRITTEN

The book covers 39 years of history. It chronicles **Israel's arrival in the Sinai desert** up to the time of their **arrival at the plains of Moab**, that is the border of Canaan. The city of Jericho lies just across the river.



KEY VERSES

Numbers 9:23 *“At the Lord's command they encamped, and at the Lord's command they set out. They obeyed the Lord's order, in accordance with his command through Moses.”*

Numbers 14:9 *“Only do not rebel against the Lord. And do not be afraid of the people of the land, because we will devour them. Their protection is gone, but the Lord is with us. Do not be afraid of them.”*



CHARACTERISTICS

This book is a continuation of the Book of Leviticus. There is no time interval between the two books. Leviticus is Israel's story in the wilderness of Sinai. This book begins with the **Israelites still in the Sinai wilderness**. This book is a historical record on one hand and on the other, a legislative book.



OUTLINE

- 1-10:10** At Mt. Sinai
- 10:11-20** From Mt. Sinai to Kadesh
- 21-36** At Moab

DEUTERONOMY

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MAY

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DEUTERONOMY

This book is the last volume of the Pentateuch. The Septuagint refers to it as the “**Second Law**”, because it is a **restating of the law that was given before**. There is no new law here; it is simply a reiteration of the laws obtained at Mount Sinai thirty-nine years ago.



AUTHOR

Moses



DATE & PLACE WRITTEN

This book is the continuation of the book before it, the Book of Numbers. This book has the same timeline as the Book of Numbers, both chronicle the **forty years the Israelite spent in the plains of Moab after their exodus from Egypt**.



KEY VERSES

Deuteronomy 5:29 *Oh, that their hearts would be inclined to fear me and keep all my commands always, so that it might go well with them and their children forever!*

Deuteronomy 6:4-5 *Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength.*



OUTLINE

- 1:1-4:43** Recollection of the Past
- 4:44-26** Review of the Law
- 27-28** Warnings
- 29-30** Covenant
- 31-34** The Last Exhortation

JOSHUA

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JOSHUA

In the Old Testament, historical books follow immediately after Moses' Pentateuch. The Book of Joshua is the first of these twelve historical books. The books narrate **Israel's history**, from its early days **as a nation in Canaan until its captivity**. The historical books are significant to New Testament believers because these serve as warnings, examples and lessons for us.



AUTHOR

Joshua



DATE & PLACE WRITTEN

This book covers a period of about 26 years, from 1451-1426 BC. It is situated in the plains of Moab and the land of Canaan.



THEME

The primary message of this book is that **God is faithful**. He is faithful to his promise to His people. He led them into Canaan in accordance to His promise. The second message is that **God is righteous**. He hates sin and must punish sin. He caused the Israelites to fail in Ai and He appointed the destruction of the seven tribes of Canaan. All these are a result of His righteousness and campaign against sin.



KEY VERSES

Joshua 1:2-3 *"Moses my servant is dead. Now then, you and all these people, get ready to cross the Jordan River into the land I am about to give to them—to the Israelites. I will give you every place where you set your foot, as I promised Moses."*



CHARACTERISTICS

The Book of Joshua is a book on the **fulfillment of God's salvation**. The first step in God's salvation is to lead his people **out of Egypt**, free them from their slavery. The second step of His salvation for His people is to lead them **into Canaan**, to enjoy God's inheritance. This book is also a book on warfare.



OUTLINE

- 1-5** Entry into the Land
- 6-12** Conquest of the Land
- 13-22** Distribution of the Land
- 23-24** Farewell