

JOURNEY THROUGH THE BIBLE FAMILY CALENDAR · 2020/21



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Introduction

Welcome to our family calendar – part of our 'Journey through the Bible' adventure happening in churches, homes and schools across the Diocese.

Every week helps you to explore a story from the Bible with something to read, something to think about, and something to do.

There are three boxes per day which you could use to note activities or things to remember for the morning, afternoon and evening; or for different members of the family. You could even use them as a reward sticker chart!

Don't worry if you don't have a Bible at home, you can look up the passages on Bible Gateway (www.biblegateway.com). We recommend using the Contemporary English Version as this is easier to read. Each book in the Bible is divided into chapters, and then verses to help you find your way to the right bit. So for instance...

John 3:16-18



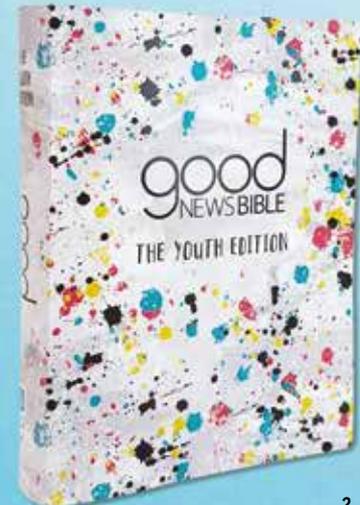
Verses 16 to the end of 18
(these are the small numbers hidden in the text)



Chapter 3 *(these are the big numbers on the page)*

The book of **John** (all Bibles have an index at the front to help you find page numbers for the beginning of the book).

Bible story books are also a great way to read the story. We recommend the **Lion Storyteller Bible** or the **LinkitUp Bible** both by Bob Hartman. Young people might like to use the Youth Edition Good News Bible from YFC (www.yfc.co.uk/gnb/)



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The Bible - God's big agenda

READ:

The Bible is like a library of books that tells God's story from before time began until after time ends. Some of the books are history books with details of kings and wars, and some are poetry books full of images that help us understand God. Some of it is really hard to read and understand because it is set in a different culture from ours. Some of it is sad, and some of it is exciting. Whatever the style of writing, the message through the whole Bible is that God loves His creation, and wants to be friends with us. The Old Testament, which is full of stories of God's people messing up and being rescued by God's grace, points to the New Testament, which tells us about God's big rescue plan – Jesus. Let's get ready to journey through this amazing adventure together.

WONDER TOGETHER...

...about what it was like before time began and what it will be like after time ends.

DO:

Take a look at the picture on the next page. Colour the books in the Bible library different colours to show what kind of book they are. As we journey through the Bible you might be able to spot where some of the stories fit in to God's big story.

MONDAY 7th SEPTEMBER	TUESDAY 8th SEPTEMBER	WEDNESDAY 9th SEPTEMBER	THURSDAY 10th SEPTEMBER	FRIDAY 11th SEPTEMBER	SATURDAY 12th SEPTEMBER	SUNDAY 13th SEPTEMBER



1. **Law** – Instructions from God to keep his people safe and well
2. **History**
3. **Poetry**
4. **Prophecy** – message from God

5. **Wisdom** – wise sayings
6. **Gospel** – the good news of Jesus
7. **Early Church**
8. **Letters** – from Paul and other writers to the Early church