

Message Notes

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The Story
(Hebrews 4:12)
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The word of God is living and active, sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart. (Hebrews 4:12)

The Bible

- ◆ The Bible is _____, _____, _____, and helps us _____. (Hebrews 4:12; Psalm 119)
- ◆ The Bible is _____ - _____. (2 Timothy 3:16)
- ◆ The Bible is one _____ - the story of _____. (Ex. 6:6; 1 Chron. 17:21; Psalm 19:14; Isaiah 59:20-21; Luke 1:67-69; 1 Cor. 6:20; Eph. 1:7)
- ◆ *Redemption* = to _____; _____ of; _____ by _____.
- ◆ The Bible is _____ story, but at the same time it's _____ story.

The Story

- ◆ We connect with stories because we are part of a larger _____.
- ◆ The Bible is the _____ for living our lives.
- ◆ The Bible is the _____ that makes sense of our life.
- ◆ The Bible is the _____ that gives our lives meaning.

Living the Story

- ◆ The single most important spiritual discipline is to be in _____ by _____. (Matthew 4:4; Col. 3:16)
- ◆ You have to have a _____!
- ◆ Plans: 90 Day; 365 Day; New Testament; Saturation Reflection.
- ◆ We _____ the Bible in order to _____ the Word of God.
- ◆ Participation in God's Story _____ us. (Romans 12:2)
- ◆ Will I _____ the _____ in 2008? (Luke 11:28; John 14:15, 21, 23)

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Books

Telling God's Story – The Biblical Narrative from Beginning to End
by Preben Vang and Terry Carter

How to Read the Bible Book by Book
by Gordon Fee and Douglas Stuart

Eat This Book
by Eugene Peterson

The Big Picture
by Tommy Nelson

Websites
www.biblegateway.com
www.blueletterbible.com

Families with Children

Hands on Bible
by Tyndale/Group Publishers