

The Adventures of Amari & Darius

Let's Talk about the Pentateuch — First is Genesis

It's Sunday afternoon, and Amari and Darius are enjoying summer break. Last week was the start of Street Reach, and they're looking forward to week two. Amari, loving her role as big sister, sometimes bosses Darius around—he only complains when chores are involved. Mama asks them to play outside quietly so Memaw can nap. While outside, they spot their cousins, Ghalen and Jabari, and go join them. The kids enjoy playing on the swing set and chat about Street Reach starting tomorrow. Gramps, watching them play, calls Amari to see if Mama wants to have supper at their house. Amari checks inside; Mama agrees, and Gramps confirms supper is handled.

Monday was warm and sunny. The kids were up, had breakfast, and went out front to wait for the church people, joined by Ghalen and Jabari. Memaw stepped out to greet the group, then everyone headed off together.

This was a new church team. There is a new one every week. They seemed nice and excited to start. At the site, the kids knew what to do. They sat in a circle under the big tree for the Bible story. The church story time leader stood up and welcomed the kids to week 2 of street reach. She said, " This week we will talk about the Pentateuch.

The leader explained, "This week, we will learn about the Pentateuch, the first 5 books of the Bible—Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, and Deuteronomy. We call these the Pentateuch or the Torah. This week, we'll see what God teaches us in these books. Today, our lesson focuses on Genesis and the story of creation."

The story of creation is relayed, and then the foundation of the Jewish people and how they are set apart as God's chosen.

Why do we want to look at this? We will learn about

- God's faithfulness to keep His promises
- God's rescue of His people from Egypt
- God's law and love, given to help us live well
- God's presence with His people in the wilderness
- God's invitation to trust and obey Him

This week, we will explore each book in the Pentateuch. Today, we will learn from Genesis about creation, choices, and trusting God.

The story about creation is well known, but Genesis includes more than that. It shows rebellion breaking out, beginning with the serpent in the Garden and continuing through the Tower of Babel. As the group listened, the leader began today's Bible story, saying, 'And today's story goes something like this...'

The story picks up after God finished creating the world and had also created man, Adam. God brought all the animals to Adam, one by one, to give them names. "Elephant", he would say, or "Tiger", or "Porcupine". (If you could rename the dog to something else, what would you call it?) But God felt sorry for Adam. He thought, "None of these animals is really like him. Adam needs someone to share his life. Someone to care for him and who he can care for."

That night, God took a rib from Adam's side and made a woman. When Adam woke up, he found Eve lying beside him. Adam was happy. He took her hand. She woke up, looked at him, and smiled. God told the man and woman that it was their job to take care of their new home. God blessed them, saying, "All this is for you. Help yourself to anything you like. But never touch the tree in the middle of the Garden. That tree gives knowledge of good and evil. The day you eat its fruit, you will die." God did not mean that Adam and Eve would drop dead the moment they ate

the fruit from the tree. He meant that in time they would die without His Spirit dwelling in them. One day, Adam and Eve were gathering berries for dinner when she heard a silky voice behind her.

“Has God told you that you can eat the fruit from all the trees?” the voice asked softly. Eve turned around to see a snake talking to her. “God has told us we can eat all the fruit except for what grows on the Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil,” Eve told the serpent. “Oh come now, that’s silly! I hardly think such a lovely fruit would do you any harm,” the serpent lied. “God knows that if you eat from The Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil, you’ll become just like God and will be able to decide for yourself what is right and what is wrong.” The woman looked at the fruit and thought it looked tasty. She thought about how wonderful it would be to be as wise and powerful as God. She believed the serpent’s lie and ate the fruit, and also gave some to Adam, who was with her, and he took a bite as well.

She felt a strange feeling in the pit of her stomach. She fidgeted, wondering what was wrong with her. Suddenly, she realized that she was feeling guilty – she had disobeyed God and knew she’d done something wrong.

As soon as they ate the fruit, Adam and Eve changed. They felt unhappy and feared God. Adam and Eve heard God calling them. In a moment of worry, they dove into the bushes, but God gently found them. When God asked if they had eaten from the Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil, they hesitated and blamed each other. God was disappointed that Adam and Eve had disobeyed. He explained they would need to leave the beautiful Garden of Eden, but He still loved them deeply. He told them, “From now on, you’ll work the soil to grow food, and life will be challenging sometimes. But remember, you can still make good choices every day.”

After the story, Amari sat back and thought about the importance of being wise and careful, to avoid being tricked into making poor choices. She wondered how she could remember to trust God's instructions, as in the story that day.

Their day ends with snacks and activities, then they head home. Memaw waits on the porch as they arrive, and Amari and Darius excitedly start sharing stories from their day, while the church team waves goodbye.

Group Discussion Questions:

What was "the Rule"?

How did the serpent trick Eve?

Why do you think Adam ate the fruit, too?

Why did they try to hide from God?

Bible Verse:

"I will seek You with all my heart; do not let me stray from Your commands." Psalm 119:10

Word of the Day: Serpent

Creatures that represent evil, death, and destruction; often viewed as a snake; possessed by Satan.

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Let's Talk about the Pentateuch — Today is Exodus

Tuesday morning arrived mostly like Monday morning – warm and sunny. The kids all went to the front porch to wait for the church team to walk up the street. Soon they were in sight. Ghalen and Jarbari had joined them to wait. They all got into the group headed for their morning site. Memaw waved goodbye. Another fun day at Summer Street Reach!

When they arrived at the site, everyone quickly got into their circle under the old tree, anxiously awaiting the story of the day! The church leader soon stood.

In front of them, talking about today's selection. She was talking about the second book of The Torah – Exodus. She said, "Again, this book was written by Moses." They knew Moses was the main guy right now. The church team's story leader told them there was an interesting story about plagues. And today's story was just that.

Much of the book of Exodus concerns Moses. He was destined to lead the Israelites for many years. You know of many of the stories about Moses: The Burning Bush, The Red Sea Story, The 10 Commandments, and, of course, The Plagues. This will be our story today.

And today's story goes something like this...

When Moses and his brother Aaron got to Egypt, the Lord told them what to do. He said, "Go to Pharaoh and tell him to let the Israelites go. He will be very stubborn, and it will take many signs and miracles before he will let you go; but everyone will know that I am God when he finally frees the

Israelites." So they did as God asked and went to see Pharaoh. In front of Pharaoh, Aaron threw down his staff, and it became a snake (just as God told Moses it would).

Pharaoh didn't look surprised at all; he actually just smiled at Moses and Aaron. Without a word, he snapped his fingers, and a minute later, three men walked in. Pharaoh whispered in one of the men's ears, and he nodded and spoke quietly to the others.

All at the same time, they threw the staffs they were carrying to the ground, and they became snakes, just like Moses and Aaron's. They turned and looked at each other, disappointed. They realized that these men were Pharaoh's magicians.

Just as Moses was feeling defeated, his snake swallowed up all of the other snakes. This made Moses smile; surely Pharaoh would let them go now. But Pharaoh didn't seem to care; he shook his head and said, "Nice try, but the Israelites belong to me, and they work for Egypt. I will not let them go."

Moses left disappointed, but excited to talk to God about what they would do next. After all, God told them that it wouldn't be easy. So, when God spoke next, they listened well, "Pharaoh's heart is hard; he's still not going to change his mind. Go see him tomorrow morning. He didn't listen today, but I will continue to show him that I am God."

Following God's instructions, Moses and Aaron met Pharaoh the next morning. Aaron explained to Pharaoh, "Because you still won't listen, God is going to change all the water in Egypt into blood. The fish will die, the river will stink, and none of the Egyptians will be able to drink it." Pharaoh smiled and said, "Go ahead." So, Aaron did what the Lord told him and put his staff into the water, and it turned to blood. Pharaoh seemed a little surprised, but he summoned his magicians, and they also

turned the water into blood. With that, Pharaoh's heart became hard, and he turned and walked back to his palace.

All the fish died, and the water smelled so bad that no matter where you were, you could smell it. Can you imagine turning on your tap at home and having blood come out? What about having a bath, or even using the water in your toilet? Of course, the Egyptians didn't have sinks and toilets back then, but they still used water for drinking, cooking, and cleaning. After a whole week of this, Pharaoh still wouldn't let the people go. But his magicians couldn't turn the blood back into water either. The Lord instructed Aaron and Moses to go see Pharaoh once again, and He told them, "Tell Pharaoh to let my people go. If he refuses to let them go, I will plague the whole country with frogs."

They did as God asked, and Pharaoh once again refused to let the people go. So Aaron stretched out his hand over the waters of Egypt, and the frogs came up and covered everything. They really were everywhere! In the stoves where they cooked, in their beds, and they even jumped on the people.

The magicians could also make frogs appear - but this would be the last time that their magic would work. After a day of this, the Pharaoh couldn't take it anymore, and he called for Moses and Aaron. (He probably didn't get any sleep with frogs jumping all over him!) He begged Moses, "Pray to the Lord to take the frogs away from my people and me, and I will let your people go." So Moses prayed to the Lord, and all the frogs died. But when Pharaoh saw that all the frogs were dead, he was relieved, and he hardened his heart and changed his mind. There were many other plagues that followed: gnats and flies; all the livestock got sick and died; the Egyptians were covered in sores; hail came down and killed all the crops; locusts came and ate all the grass and everything green; and then there was complete darkness. Nobody left their homes because they couldn't even see where they were going.

With each of these plagues, Pharaoh said he'd let the Israelites go if God put things back to normal, but then he kept changing his mind. You'd think he would've learned his lesson and let the Israelites go. God doesn't give up.

You may have felt sorry for the Israelites during all these plagues, but God made sure they were not touched by them. Only the Pharaoh and 'his people', the Egyptians, went through these terrible times. The Israelites lived a little way away, and God kept them safe and put a pretend wall around them so none of the plagues could come to them.

If you thought all the other plagues were bad, there was one last plague (the tenth plague) that was way worse than any of the others. The Lord told them, "This will be the last plague on Pharaoh and Egypt. After this, they will let you go. Around midnight, I will go throughout Egypt. Every firstborn son in Egypt will die, even the son of Pharaoh, and there will be great sadness." Moses and Aaron warned Pharaoh, but he refused to listen.

The Lord gave special instructions to Moses and Aaron so that the Israelites would be sure to stay safe during this last plague. He told them, "The Israelites must kill their best sheep or goat. Then they are to take some of the blood and smear it on the sides and tops of the doors on their houses.

On that same night, I will pass through Egypt like a ghost and take the life from every firstborn. If I see blood on the doorway, that will be a sign for me to pass over the house and keep all who are inside safe.

This day will always be known as the Passover, because you were passed over and kept safe by God. You will continue to celebrate this day for many years." (Some people still celebrate it today!) They were also to eat unleavened bread (bread that is flat, not fluffy like we eat it. This would always remind them of the hurry with which they left Egypt.

Now, remember: Pharaoh could have stopped all this a long time ago. God gave him many opportunities to let the Israelites go, but he would not listen. Unfortunately, God had to teach Pharaoh a lesson, and He did what He said He would do.

After Pharaoh realized what happened in Egypt, he called for Moses and Aaron just after midnight, and he said, "Leave my people, you and all the Israelites! Go worship the Lord as you wanted, take all your animals, and get out of here!" The Israelites gathered up gold and silver from the Egyptians, who were glad to see them leave, and they left with Moses. You won't believe what happened next! When Pharaoh heard that the Israelites had left, he changed his mind- again! He decided to gather an army of more than 600 people and go after Moses, Aaron, and all the Israelites.

So, as the Israelites were on their way, they noticed in the distance that Pharaoh was coming after them. They started to get worried and questioned Moses why he would lead them out into the desert to die. Moses knew what to say, and he told them, "Do not be afraid, God has protected you before; He will protect you again."

When the Israelites reached the Red Sea, they were trapped with the Sea in front of them and Pharaoh behind them. But God told Moses to reach out his staff into the water, and when he did, an amazing thing happened. The water split into two! The water rose, forming huge walls of water (they couldn't even see over them; they were higher than a house). They would walk on dry ground, which was actually the bottom of the Sea. Pharaoh's army followed them into the Sea, even though some of the Egyptians were afraid, and knew God was with them. When the Israelites had finally made it through safely, God told Moses, "Stretch out your hand over the sea so that the water goes back to normal, and it will swallow up Pharaoh and his army."

Moses did as God had told him, and he reached his staff over the water. There was a loud crash as the water came back together and covered the Egyptians.

That was the day the Lord saved the Israelites from the Egyptians. When the Israelites saw what God had done for them, they trusted Him and knew that Moses would be a good leader as they traveled to the land flowing with milk and honey.

Well, Amari thought those were pretty tough times for those people. She was thinking they should've paid more attention. They finished their rotations, had a snack, and started home. Once home, Amari was excited to tell Memaw this story. Memaw just smiled. Yes, she remembered this one for sure.

Group Discussion Questions

How was Moses able to perform all the plagues?

Name 3 of the plagues.

When did Pharaoh finally let the people go?

Bible Verse:

"The Lord shall fight for you, and you shall hold your peace." Exodus 14:14

Word of the Day: Plague

A big, scary disaster or sickness sent by God to punish or help His people

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Let's Talk about the Pentateuch – Today is Leviticus

Amari woke up on Wednesday, still thinking about yesterday's lesson. Darius was also up and ready early; they both went out front to wait for the church people. Ghaleen and Jabari were already out there. It wasn't too long before they saw the church people walking toward them. They said bye to Memaw and joined the group.

When they arrived at their site, the group sat in a circle under the big tree waiting for the church leader. She stood up and began telling them about the next book in the Bible they would be discussing.

The church leader started out, "Today, we are in the third book of the Torah (or The Law). Leviticus is a book about God's laws to His people. Even though the Jews of Israel were God's chosen people, they were a sinful bunch and often strayed toward false gods and idols. We know God hates sin and wanted a close relationship with His chosen people. Moses wrote the book of Leviticus sometime around 1490 BC. In fact, our two main characters in this book are Moses and his older brother Aaron. This book is a continuation of the story from the book of Exodus." Amari thought this would be interesting.

The Israelites were on their journey from Egypt to the promised land. They stopped at Mount Sinai and were there throughout the book of Leviticus. God has shown Moses how to build the entire tabernacle (where God would reside). It was here that people prayed and worshiped God. In the book of Leviticus, God wants Moses to share His rules with the Israelites. It was here that Moses made Aaron a priest for God. He also detailed how a priest should make offerings – often called the "ceremonial law".

God handed down His expectations of the law to Moses. He wanted Moses to teach the people about eating and “staying clean”. (not like taking a bath!) Certain foods, like pork and shrimp, were forbidden. Meat was also not be eaten with milk at the same time. Meat that was eaten had to come from animals killed in a special way and had to be free of any blood. These were some pretty strict laws – don’t you think? (allow children a chance to comment.)

Many of the rules God handed down concerned neighborly love, protection for the poor, the disabled, and foreigners. There were also outlines for feasts and festivals. Some of those still exist to this day. I’m sure you’ve heard of them: Passover, Pentecost, the Day of Atonement, and many more. Does anyone know what Pentecost is?

The bottom line is that the book of Leviticus was basically a rulebook God gave Moses to use to direct the Israelites. These chosen people were known for not paying good attention to God’s desires!

Amari thought it was curious that God gave all those rules to the Israelites. “Everyone has rules!” she said. They continued on their rotations with games, crafts, and finally a snack. It was a good morning. Then it was time to go home. They all walked slowly back to their neighborhood. The church leader gave Memaw a thumbs up as the kids all hopped to the front porch.

Group Discussion Questions

Can you be holy at home?

What are some bad things you shouldn’t do to other people?

Where were the Israelites during the time of Leviticus? (Mount Sinai)

What is Passover?

Bible Verse:

"Be holy because I, the Lord your God, am holy." Leviticus 19:2

Word of the Day: Tabernacle

God's dwelling place on earth to be near His people

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Let's Talk about the Pentateuch — Numbers

Thursday morning dawned hot and sunny. Amari was excited – only 2 days until Pink Palace Day! She and Darius got dressed and headed in for breakfast. They ate and went out front to wait for the church team. Soon they arrived. The kids waved bye to Memaw and joined the group to walk to their club site. Amari was curious about the book in the Bible that they would be discussing today. She had peeked into Mama's Bible and saw that the fourth book was called Numbers. That was an interesting name for a book in the Bible.

They arrived at the site and settled into a circle under the big tree. The story leader stood up and began to speak to them.

"Today, we are in the Old Testament book that Moses wrote called Numbers," she said. "Moses wrote this book. We will see what happens today."

Our story today goes something like this...

God told Moses to have one man, a leader, from each tribe of Israel to spy the land of Canaan. There were 12 tribes, so 12 men were sent to search the land of Canaan. Moses told them to go south, into the mountains. They were to see what the people living there were like. How many were there? How was the land? Is it good or bad? Are there forests? Are the cities like camps or are they like strongholds? He told them to "be of good courage" (be brave) and bring back some of the fruit from the land. It happened to be in the season for ripe grapes.

They searched the land and returned after 40 days. They told the people that the land flowed with “milk and honey”. Then they showed the people the grapes they had brought from the Valley of Eshcol. The branch was one grape cluster, so big that they had to put it on a pole and carry it between 2 men! They also brought some of the pomegranates and figs (has anyone ever eaten a pomegranate?). The men also told them that the people were strong and that the cities were very large and well-protected. Caleb quieted the people and told them, “Let us go up at once and take possession, for we are well able to overcome it. But the other men who had spied the land said, “No, the people are a lot stronger than we are. We can’t win against them! They are tall like giants, and we are like little grasshoppers!”

The people complained and said, “We should have stayed in Egypt to die!” They still didn’t have enough faith in God and His Power. But Joshua and Caleb, 2 of the men who searched the land of Canaan, tore their clothes and spoke to everyone. (Take a moment to explain why people during this time would tear their clothes.) They told the people that it was very good land, and if the Lord is happy with them, then He would give the land to them! It is a land that flows with milk and honey. But they shouldn’t fight the Lord and fear the people in Canaan. Joshua said, “The Lord is with us! Do not fear them!” But the people were so upset; they wanted to stone Joshua and Caleb.

God told the people that because of their lack of faith, all the people who were 20 years and older would die in the wilderness. Only Caleb, Joshua, and the younger people would enter the Promised Land.

Because some of the spies didn’t believe God would protect them, and they had searched the land for 40 days, God would make the people wander in the wilderness for 40 YEARS (1 year each for 1 day). Joshua and Caleb were the only spies who had faith in God. The other 10 spies died from a plague.

After their time of wandering in the wilderness, Moses went to the top of Mount Abarim to see the Promised Land. Moses made Joshua the next leader. Moses was not permitted to enter the Promised Land. (explain why Moses was not allowed into the Promised Land) Moses lived for 120 years. Amari was sad to discover Moses was not allowed to enter the Promised Land. She thought he had done so much for the Israelites and followed God's direction – except for that one time at the place called Meribah. But God expects everyone, even Moses, to follow His rules.

They finished their rotations and had snacks before starting home. When they arrived home, Memaw was right there on the front porch waiting. The church leader gave her a thumbs-up before the group walked away. Amari and Darius smiled. They are thinking the Pink Palace trip is in the bag!

Group Discussion Questions

Why were there 12 spies?

Why didn't Moses get to go into the Promised Land?

How did God punish the doubting spies?

Bible Verse:

"The LORD is with us. Do not fear them." Numbers 14:9

Word of the Day: Faithful

Being loyal, trustworthy, and keeping our promises

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Let's Talk about the Pentateuch — Deuteronomy

By Friday morning, the sky was clear from the thunderstorm they got last night, and luckily, the ground was dry. The kids got dressed and went in for breakfast. After breakfast, the kids hopped out onto the front porch just in time to see the churchman walking up. With a wave bye to Memaw, they joined the group. At their site, everyone sat in a circle under the big tree. The story leader stood up to speak.

"God is primarily concerned with Israel falling into the sin practiced by the inhabitants of the land," she said. "Because of that, God has Moses restate the story of the 10 commandments. (The original story of Moses receiving the 10 commandments from God is documented in the book of Exodus.) He needs people to keep His laws in their minds at all times. So today we will revisit a very worthwhile story."

And the story today goes something like this...

The Israelites had been traveling through the desert for about 3 months when they arrived at Mount Sinai. They were going to stay there for a while plus they had excellent shelter from the mountain. Moses unpacked and decided to walk up the mountain to talk to God. Remember that this wasn't very easy for Moses; he was already over 80 years old.

God knew that Moses was coming, so He spoke to Moses and told him to tell the Israelites to get ready. Moses came down and told the people to bathe and clean all their clothes. By doing this, the people were getting prepared to hear important words from God. That is why we sometimes

dress up or make sure we have clean clothes on when we go to church. It makes us hope to behave a little nicer and to show respect to God.

On the third morning after Moses had talked to God, the Israelites were busy making their breakfast when all of a sudden there was a large rumble and a flash of light over the mountain. Anyone who was still sleeping was startled and woke up suddenly. Everyone went out to look, and just over the mountain, there was lightning and thunder, and a very thick cloud hung over the mountain, so you couldn't see the top. Even the mountain shook, and the sound of trumpets grew louder and louder (don't you think the Israelites were scared?)

So, Moses went up the mountain to hear from God once again. This time God told Moses, "Go down to the people and tell them not to follow you up the mountain, the mountain is a special place because I am here." So Moses warned the people not to touch the mountain or come too close to it.

After that, Moses went back up the mountain. But this time, he stayed there for a long time (40 days and 40 nights). God had a lot to tell him. God wanted to instruct the people on how to live. By following His rules, they would have less sadness in their lives. God just wanted to protect them.

We'll just talk about the first ten commandments God told Moses; we might be here for 40 days, and we don't have time for that! Besides, the 10 commandments are the most important for us right now. Remember, as you hear each commandment, that they are all equally important.

The first commandment is to put God first. This means that nothing should be more important than God – not a hobby you enjoy, TV or video games, or even your friends and family.

The second commandment is to worship only God. This is like the first commandment: God wants our love, and He doesn't want us to bow down

to anyone and worship a statue just because we can't see Him. In other words, God is the only one we should pray to.

The third commandment is broken all the time. God commands us to use His name with respect. Many people use God's name like a swear word or say it when they're upset. God wants us to use His name when we're talking to Him or telling others about Him in a nice way. To use His name in these other ways is very disrespectful and hurts God to hear it.

The fourth commandment should be easy; we are to remember God's sabbath. God wants us to take one day of the week and rest. When God made the world in six days, He rested on the seventh day. This gets harder when you get older; there always seems to be something to do, but remember God commands us to take a day off.

The fifth commandment tells us to respect our parents. Sometimes you might think you know what's best, or you get frustrated because your parents won't let you do something. Remember, your parents were once kids just like you, and they are trying to keep you safe and from making the same mistakes they've already made.

Which commandment is next... oh right, it's the sixth commandment. This commandment says, " Don't hurt others. Now, imagine for a minute if everyone in the whole world obeyed this rule like God wants us to. We probably wouldn't have any jails, and we would all get along with one another.

The seventh commandment is for those who are married. God tells us to be faithful in marriage. He wants us to love our wife or husband and treat them with respect.

The eighth commandment is: "Don't steal." This means that we shouldn't take something that doesn't belong to us.

The ninth commandment is don't lie. It is always better to tell the truth, and while you're at it, don't do anything that would make you want to lie. Usually, parents know when you're lying anyway. If you don't get caught, God sees and hears everything, and He knows.

The tenth and last commandment is don't be envious of others. This means we shouldn't wish for things that others have.

Amari knows about the commandments. This was the last of the books called the Pentateuch. She thought, so many rules!

Well, this week is over, and once they got home, the church leader gave Memaw the final thumbs up. Amari thought, Pink Palace, here we come! See everyone next week!!

Group Discussion Questions

Do you know where Mount Sinai is? (have a map to show)

Do you know anyone who is 80 years old?

Do you know what the sabbath is?

Bible Verse

"Love the Lord your God with all your heart." Deuteronomy 6:5

Word of the Day: Respect

To honor someone and value them highly

Tips on explaining the Pentateuch

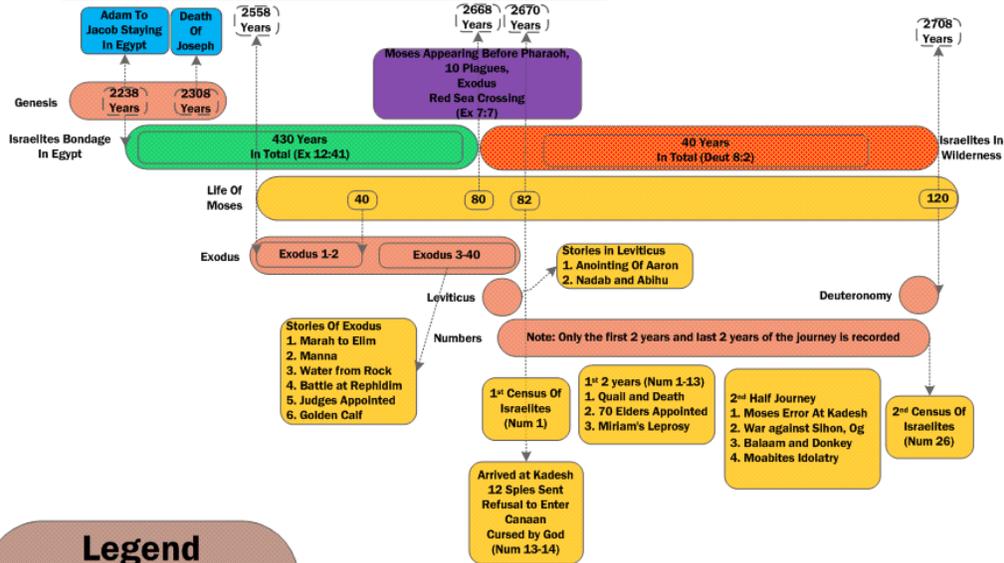
Use a chart of all the Books of the Bible to illustrate the Pentateuch

Obtain a map of the area during Biblical Times – showing spacial relationships with Israel, Egypt, the Red Sea etc. One is shown below or a large poster size can be found on Amazon.

Have a timeline to show from creation (Genesis) through Deuteronomy. A sample is shown below but a large poster size might work better for a group and can be found on Amazon

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| <p style="text-align: center;">Prophets (<i>nevi'im</i>)</p> <p>Former</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Joshua • Judges • Samuel • Kings <p>Latter</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Isaiah • Jeremiah • Ezekiel • The Twelve (Hosea, Joel, Amos, Obadiah, Jonah, Micah, Nahum, Habbakkuk, Zephaniah, Haggai, Zechariah, Malachi) | <p style="text-align: center;">Historical Books</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Joshua • Judges • Ruth • Samuel (books 1 and 2) • Kings (books 1 and 2) • Chronicles (books 1 and 2) • Ezra • Nehemiah • Esther |
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| | <p style="text-align: center;">Prophets</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Isaiah • Jeremiah • Lamentations • Ezekiel • Daniel • The Twelve (Hosea, Joel, Amos, Obadiah, Jonah, Micah, Nahum, Habbakkuk, Zephaniah, Haggai, Zechariah, Malachi) |

Chronological Timeline Of Pentateuch



Assumptions made:

- The Genealogies in Genesis are all 100% accurate, no names are left out and no one is omitted from it.
- The 430 years in Egypt (Ex 12:41) started when Jacob moved to Egypt at 130 years old.
- The Israelites spent 40 years in wilderness, 2 years are spent in Sinai, and 38 when they failed to enter Canaan.
- Moses met the Pharaoh at 80 Ex 7:7 died at 120 (Deut 34:7) Therefore the entire exodus must complete by 40 years.
- All events in Exodus, (IE: 10 Plagues) happened in less than a year

Note: The timeline are not drawn to scale.

