Grade 5 Possessing the Land

Lesson	Sessions	Content Objectives	Learning Objectives	Optional Components
	A God's Miracle Book	The Bible, though written by many people over a long time, was inspired by one, divine Author.	Navigate the Old Testament by book or	Scripture Memory Psalm 111:1
1 The Word of God	B The Beginning and the End	Scripture follows a unified story that begins in Genesis and ends in Revelation.	 reference Summarize the complementary themes of Genesis and Revelation Explain key benefits of Scripture to believers 	Character Trait N/A Hymn
	c Exploring the Word	The Spirit helps us grow and learn from Scripture.	Explain key benefits of scripture to believers	And Can It Be
	A Creation and the Fall	Humanity fell when Adam and Eve disobeyed God's command and ate the forbidden fruit.	 Summarize key events of the Fall narrative in Genesis 3 List major results of the Fall Recognize significant figures from Genesis 1–10 	Scripture Memory Psalm 111:2
2 Sin and Redemption	B The Results of Sin	Sin has terrible consequences that affect us even today.		Character Trait Repentance
·	C The Hope of Redemption	God continued working even after the Fall. He planned to send His Son to pay the price for our sin.		Hymn And Can It Be
	A The Call of Abraham	The nation of Israel began with a promise God made to Abraham.	 Recognize common terms for the people of Israel Recall the basic parts of the Abrahamic 	Scripture Memory
3 Abraham, Sarah, and Isaac	B Journeys of Abraham and Sarah	While waiting for God to fulfill His promise, Abraham and Sarah traveled the land that would one day belong to their descendants.	 covenant Identify significant locations in the life of Abraham Explain the events surrounding Abraham and 	Psalm 111:3 Character Trait Faith
	C God Provides for Isaac	God gave Abraham, Isaac, and others the opportunity to show faith in Him.	 Isaac's trip to Mount Moriah Define <i>faith</i> as trust in the unseen promises of God 	Hymn And Can It Be

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	A Selling the Birthright	Esau sold his birthright because he valued immediate gratification more than future blessings.	Describe the general privilege of firstborn sons in ancient society	Scripture Memory
4 Jacob and Esau	B Stealing the Blessing	Jacob had to flee his home as a consequence for his trickery, but God still kept His promises.	 Explain how Jacob convinced Esau to sell his birthright Recall the causes and consequences of Jacob and Rebekah's trickery Explain why God continued to care for Jacob 	Review Psalm 111:1–3 Character Trait Patience Hymn Amazing Grace
	C Wrestling with God	Jacob continued to reap the consequences for his sin, but God cared for him and gave him a new name: Israel.		
	A Joseph the Little Brother	Joseph's brothers hated him and sold him into slavery.	 Describe the animosity from Joseph's brothers Recall the events surrounding Joseph's 	Scripture Memory Psalm 111:4
5 The Trials of Joseph	B Joseph the Slave	Joseph obeyed God even while serving as a slave.	 Recall the events surrounding Joseph's enslavement and imprisonment Explain how God used dreams in Joseph's life Affirm the presence of God's care even during difficult times 	Character Trait Kindness
·	C Joseph the Prisoner	God protected and promoted Joseph even while he was a prisoner.		Hymn Amazing Grace
	A Joseph Finds Peace	God gave Joseph wisdom to interpret Pharaoh's dream and prepare for a coming famine.	 Explain how Joseph helped Pharaoh and rose to power in Egypt Recall the ways Joseph tested his brothers 	Scripture Memory Psalm 111:5
The Mercy of Joseph	B Joseph Forgives His Brothers	Joseph forgave his brothers and showed them mercy.	 Recall the Ways Joseph tested his brothers when they tried to buy food Describe Joseph's attitude toward his past hardship and his brothers' sins Recognize the tribes of Israel as descendants of Jacob's sons 	Character Trait Forgiveness Hymn Amazing Grace
	C Joseph Cares for His Family	God used Joseph's enslavement to save his family and many others.		
7 Israel in Bondage	A The Hebrews Enslaved	Even though the people of Israel endured slavery and abuse, God did not forget them.	 Explain Israel's circumstances at the time of Moses' birth Recall the events surrounding Moses' birth and 	Scripture Memory Psalm 111:6
	B The Birth of Moses	God protected Moses as a child and as an adult.	 later flight from Egypt Summarize God's message and charge for Moses in Exodus 3–4 	Character Trait Courage
	C The Call of Moses	God called Moses to lead the people of Israel out of Egypt.	 Recognize the name Yahweh as a holy name for God 	Hymn Amazing Grace

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8 The Exodus from Egypt	A The Plagues	To rescue the people of Israel, God sent ten plagues on the Egyptians.	Recall several of the plagues that God sent on the Egyptians	Scripture Memory Review Psalm 111:4–6 Character Trait Faithfulness
	B The Passover	The Passover commemorates God's mercy to Israel during the tenth plague.	 Explain the origins of the Jewish Passover Describe the events surrounding Israel's exodus from Egypt 	
	C The Exodus	God protected the Israelites as they traveled beyond Egypt and into the wilderness.	Recognize notable locations along Israel's route through the wilderness	Hymn We Gather Together
9 The Law of God	A The Ten Commandments	God gave Israel the Ten Commandments as the centerpiece of His Law.	 Recognize and explain the Ten Commandments Describe the events surrounding Israel's worship of the golden calf Recognize elements of the Tabernacle Apply the Ten Commandments to modern situations 	Scripture Memory Exodus 20:1–3 Character Trait Integrity Hymn
	B The Golden Calf	While God spoke with Moses on Mount Sinai, the people of Israel chose to worship an idol.		
	C The Tabernacle	God gave special instructions on how to worship Him in the Tabernacle.		We Gather Together
	A A Picture of God's Holiness	God taught Israel about His holiness through laws and rituals.	 Define the concept of holy as righteous, sinless, and set apart Explain the role of Levites in Israel's worship of God Recall the purpose of several kinds of Old Testament sacrifices Describe the way that Jesus fulfilled the roles of priest and sacrifice 	Scripture Memory Exodus 20:4
10 Our Holy God	B Instructions for Worship	God told the Israelites to perform sacrifices that pictured their relationship with Him.		Character Trait Diligence Hymn We Gather Together
	C Our Sacrifice and High Priest	Jesus serves as our perfect sacrifice and High Priest.		

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	A God Provides in the Wilderness	Despite complaints from the Israelites, God cared for His people in the wilderness.	Recall ways that God provided for Israel in the	Scripture Memory
11 God Guides His People	B The First Glimpse of Canaan	Because the people were too afraid to enter Canaan, God promised that only the next generation would reach the promised land.	 wilderness Explain why the Israelites chose not to enter Canaan at first Describe the events surrounding Balaam's 	Review Exodus 20:1–4 Character Trait Fairness
	C God Blesses Israel	The king of Moab asked Balaam to curse Israel, but God blessed Israel instead.	meeting with the king of Moab	Hymn We Gather Together
	A Moses Reminds the People	Before Moses died, he encouraged the people to remain faithful to God.	Recall essential themes from Moses' final charge	Scripture Memory Exodus 20:7–8
12 Moses' Final Charge	B The Death of Moses	Moses died after many years of serving God by faith.	to Israel Describe the circumstances of Moses' death Recognize notable locations along the Israelites' route from Egypt to Canaan	Character Trait Faith
	C Reviewing Israel's Travels	The Israelites traveled long and far before entering the promised land of Canaan.		Hymn Savior Like a Shepherd Lead Us
	A Israel Gets a New Leader	God prepared Joshua to lead Israel into the promised land.	 Recall ways that God prepared and encouraged Joshua Explain the events surrounding Israel's crossing of the Jordan Recognize notable figures discussed in this study so far 	Scripture Memory Exodus 20:12–13 Character Trait Encouragement Hymn
13 Entering the Land	B Crossing the Jordan	God rewarded the Israelites' faith by allowing them to cross the Jordan.		
	C Who Am I?	God has worked through many people to inspire and encourage us.	 Identify and develop opportunities to encourage or edify others 	Savior Like a Shepherd Lead Us
	A Rahab's Faith	Rahab showed faith in God by choosing to help the Israelites.	Explain how Rahab helped the two spies and	Scripture Memory Review
14 Conflict in Canaan	B Victory at Jericho	The Israelites obeyed God by marching around Jericho, and God destroyed the city's walls.	joined the nation of Israel Recall God's instructions regarding Jericho and Ai	Exodus 20:7–8, 12–13 Character Trait Gratitude
	C Defeat at Ai	Because of Achan's sin, God humbled Israel's army near Ai.	Describe the events surrounding the fall of Jericho and Ai	Hymn Savior Like a Shepherd Lead Us

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	A Turning Away from God	When the Israelites repented from their idolatry, God sent judges to rescue them from oppression.	Describe the cycle of suffering and deliverance during the judges period	Scripture Memory Exodus 20:14–16
15 Judging Israel	B Deborah the Judge	God worked through Deborah and Barak to rescue Israel from Jabin's army.	 Define repentance as a turning from sin toward God Explain how God defeated Jabin's army in Judges 4 	Character Trait Responsibility
	C Gideon the Judge	God worked through Gideon to defeat the Midianites with only a few hundred soldiers.	 Explain how God defeated the Midianites in Judges 7 	Hymn Savior Like a Shepherd Lead Us
16 The Story of Ruth	A Ruth Cares for Naomi	Ruth showed compassion by following Naomi to Israel.	Recall the major figures and events in the story	Scripture Memory Exodus 20:17
	B Ruth Finds a Redeemer	God worked through Boaz, Ruth, and Naomi to take care of each other.	of Ruth • Describe Christ's role as redeemer	Character Trait Compassion
	C The Redeemer of the World	Ruth and Boaz became part of God's plan to bring Jesus into the world.	Discuss ways to show godly compassion	Hymn Holy, Holy, Holy
	A Who's Who	N/A	Recognize notable biblical figures from Israel's history, from the patriarchs through the time of the judges	Scripture Memory Review Exodus 20:14–17
17 Review	B Names and Places	N/A	 Recall some of the biblical vocabulary studied thus far Identify some important locations from the Old 	Character Trait N/A
	C God's Promises	N/A	Testament Explain some of God's major promises in the Old Testament	Hymn Holy, Holy, Holy
18 The Last Judge of Israel	A Samuel Serves God	Samuel learned to serve God as a young boy.	Describe the circumstances of Samuel's birth	Scripture Memory
	B Israel Wants a King	Samuel served Israel as a judge, but the Israelites eventually wanted a king to lead them.	 Recall how God first spoke to Samuel Explain why the Israelites demanded a king to lead them 	Psalm 37:1–2 Character Trait Attentiveness
	C Talking with God	We can listen to God in many ways, and we can speak to Him through prayer.	Describe ways to learn God's truthExplain reasons for talking with God	Hymn Holy, Holy, Holy

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19 The First King of Israel	 A God Chooses Saul B Saul Disobeys God C Obedience Is Better than Sacrifice 	God chose Saul to be Israel's first king, but Saul did not always obey God. Saul tried to excuse his disobedience as worship. God values obedience more than a show of worship.	 Explain the purpose of anointing as practiced in ancient Israel Recall examples of Saul's disobedience Explain Saul's attempts to excuse his disobedience Distinguish true obedience from a show of worship 	Scripture Memory Psalm 37:3–4 Character Trait Submission Hymn Holy, Holy, Holy
20 The Loyalty	A Israel's New Hero B Saul Envies David	Even as a young man, David trusted God. Saul envied David, but Jonathan became a loyal friend.	 Recall why God anointed David as the next king of Israel Describe the events surrounding the death of Goliath Explain how Saul revealed his envy and fear of David 	Scripture Memory Review Psalm 37:1–4 Character Trait Loyalty
of David	C David Respects God's Anointed	Even though Saul tried to kill him, David showed respect to the king.	 Recall ways that Jonathan and David showed loyalty to each other Explain why David chose not to kill Saul Describe how David reacted to Saul's death 	Hymn When I Survey the Wondrous Cross
21 The Reign of David	A The Second King B David Counts His Men C David Repents	God promised to preserve David's family. David sinned by counting Israel's fighting men, but he quickly repented. David showed humility and a desire to be close with God.	 Describe ways that King David showed trust in God Recall God's most important promises to David Explain some of the consequences of David's census Explain how David showed repentance in Psalm 51 	Scripture Memory Psalm 37:5–6 Character Trait Humility Hymn When I Survey the Wondrous Cross
22 The Reign of Solomon	A The Third KingB Building the TempleC God's Covenant with Solomon	God granted Solomon his request for wisdom. God gave Solomon the privilege of building the Temple in Jerusalem. Despite God's blessings and promises, Solomon pursued sinful desires.	 Recall part of David's last charge to Solomon Explain how God responded to Solomon's request for wisdom Describe highlights of the construction of the first Temple in Jerusalem Recall the Queen of Sheba's visit to Solomon's court Explain how Solomon ignored God's covenant 	Scripture Memory Psalm 37:7 Character Trait Maturity Hymn When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

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	A The Divided Kingdom	Because the Israelites worshiped false gods, God allowed the kingdom to divide into two.	 Recall the reasons behind the division of Israel into two kingdoms Distinguish the kingdom of Israel from the 	Scripture Memory Review Psalm 37:5–7
23 Elijah and Elisha	B Elijah the Prophet	On Mount Carmel, the prophet Elijah challenged Israel to turn back to the one true God.	kingdom of JudahRecall how Ahab and Jezebel opposed GodDescribe the events surrounding Elijah's	Character Trait Perseverance Hymn
	C Elijah's Successor, Elisha	God revealed His power and mercy through the miracles of Elisha.	 confrontation on Mount Carmel Explain several miracles that God did through Elisha 	When I Survey the Wondrous Cross
	A Rebuilding God's Temple	After the Babylonian Exile, the Israelites returned to Jerusalem to rebuild the Temple.	 Recall the broad consequences of the Babylonian Exile Describe the events surrounding the construction of the Second Temple in Jerusalem. Explain Ezra's role in the reconstruction of Jerusalem Explain why some Israelite men chose to divorce wives from other nations 	Scripture Memory James 3:13 Character Trait Patience Hymn Be Still My Soul
24 Ezra the	B Ezra Comes to Jerusalem	Ezra came to Jerusalem to reintroduce the Law of God.		
Teacher	C Returning to God's Law	After years of ignoring God's Law, the Israelites tried to disentangle themselves from ungodly relationships.		
	A Nehemiah's Mission	God allowed Nehemiah to return to Jerusalem to help rebuild the city.	 Describe the events surrounding Nehemiah's return to Jerusalem Recall how the Jews responded to opposition while rebuilding Explain Christ's teaching on service and leadership from Matthew 20 and John 13 Define godly leadership as service to help others follow God 	Scripture Memory
25 Nehemiah the Organizer	B Facing Opposition	The Jews faced many challenges while rebuilding Jerusalem's walls, but Nehemiah encouraged them to trust God.		James 3:14–15 Character Trait Devotion Hymn Be Still My Soul
	C Lessons on Leadership	Good leaders are servants who help others follow God.		
26 Queen Esther	A Esther Becomes Queen	God prepared Esther and Mordecai to save the Jews in Persia.	 Describe the important events and figures from the Book of Esther Recall the risks and challenges faced by Esther Affirm God's providence in Esther's life 	Scripture Memory Review James 3:13–15
	B Haman's Plot	Esther showed courage by approaching the king.		Character Trait Courage
	C God Saves His People	God worked through Esther and Mordecai to protect the Jews.		Hymn Be Still My Soul

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27	A Satan's Plan	Satan tempted Job by making him suffer.	 Describe the major events recorded in the Book of Job Recall some of the explanations offered for Job's suffering 	Scripture Memory James 3:16
The Suffering of Job	B Job's Suffering	Job's friends tried to explain his suffering.	 Explain how God finally answered and blessed Job 	Character Trait Contentment Hymn
	C God's Answer	God answered Job by revealing His power.	Recognize questions common to those who endure suffering	Be Still My Soul
	A Songs to God	Psalms are songs to God, and they include a variety of truths about Him.	Define <i>psalm</i> as a sacred songExplain the main theme and imagery of Psalm 1	Scripture Memory James 3:17–18
28 Songs of Praise	B Psalms Fulfilled by Jesus	Many Psalms refer to the Messiah.	Define <i>Messiah</i> and <i>Christ</i> as a person anointed for a special role Pagagriza massiania prophesias in the Pagagraphs Output Design to the Pagagraphs Design to the	Character Trait Wonder
	Moditating on Py moditating on Scripture, we can	 Recognize messianic prophecies in the Psalms Recall Old Testament commands to keep God's Word 	Hymn My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less	
	A The Source of Wisdom	The Book of Proverbs emphasizes the fear of the Lord as the beginning of true wisdom.	Explain the "fear of the Lord" as used in ScriptureDistinguish foolishness from mere ignorance	Scripture Memory Review James 3:16–18
29 Wisdom and Vanity	B The Beauty of Wisdom	Many proverbs contrast wise and foolish people.	 Recall several ways that biblical proverbs compare wise people with fools Explain the concept of vanity as used in 	Character Trait Wisdom Hymn
	C A Life of Wisdom	The Book of Ecclesiastes encourages us to respond to the world's vanity by fearing and obeying God.	EcclesiastesRecall the duty given at the conclusion of Ecclesiastes	My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less
	A Isaiah	Isaiah warned Judah about the consequences of the kingdom's sin.		Scripture Memory Jeremiah 31:33
30 Three Prophets	B Jeremiah	Through Jeremiah, God used a picture of a potter to show how He responds to His people's choices.	 Recognize major themes and imagery from the Books of Isaiah, Jeremiah, and Ezekiel Define <i>idolatry</i> as the practice of worshiping 	Character Trait Honesty
	C Ezekiel	In exile, Ezekiel warned against idolatry while assuring other Jews that they would one day return home.	idols or false gods	Hymn My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

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	A Far from Home	Daniel and his friends honored God even though they were prisoners in a foreign country.	 Describe how Daniel avoided eating the king's food while still showing respect Explain the imagery and meaning of Nebuchadnezzar's dream in Daniel 2 Describe the events surrounding Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego's refusal to worship an idol 	Scripture Memory Jeremiah 31:34
31 Daniel's Discipline	B A Voice for God	God worked through Daniel to interpret King Nebuchadnezzar's dream.		Character Trait Discipline Hymn
	C A Test of Worship	Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego obeyed God by refusing to worship the king's image.		My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less
	A Writing on the Wall	Through Daniel, God told King Belshazzar that he would be punished for his pride and idolatry.	 Describe the events surrounding the fall of Belshazzar Describe the events surrounding Daniel's time in the lions' den 	Scripture Memory Review Jeremiah 31:33–34
32 Daniel's Devotion	B God Saves Daniel	Daniel chose to disobey the king's law and continue praying to God.		Character Trait Leadership
	C Daniel's Faith	Throughout his life, Daniel demonstrated faith and devotion to God.	Recall several ways that God blessed Daniel's faith	Hymn A Mighty Fortress Is Our God
	A God's Mission for Jonah	Jonah could not hide from God.	Describe the major events recorded in the Book of Jonah	Scripture Memory Jeremiah 31:35
33 The Prophet Who Ran	B God's Message for Nineveh	After three days in the belly of a sea creature, Jonah finally delivered God's message to the Ninevites.	 Recall ways that God showed patience with Jonah Explain how God justified His mercy to the Ninevites 	Character Trait Love Hymn
	C God's Mercy for All	God showed mercy to the Ninevites as well as Jonah.		A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

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34 The Minor Prophets	A Hosea, Joel, Amos, Obadiah	The Minor Prophets shared God's truth in a variety of ways.	 Recognize several themes from the Minor Prophets Affirm God's care for His people 	Scripture Memory
	B Jonah, Micah, Nahum, Habakkuk	The Minor Prophets warned people about God's judgment.		Jeremiah 31:36 Character Trait Loyalty
	C Zephaniah, Haggai, Zechariah, Malachi	God promised to preserve a remnant of His people.		Hymn A Mighty Fortress Is Our God
35 Review	A Multiple Choice	N/A	Recall important events from Israel's history, from the early kings through the post-exilic	Scripture Memory Review Jeremiah 31:35–36
	B Vocabulary	N/A	 Recall some of the biblical vocabulary studied this year 	Character Trait N/A
	C Who Am I?	N/A	Recognize notable biblical figures from the Old Testament	Hymn A Mighty Fortress Is Our God