

Study with S.T.O.R.Y.

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WELCOME



Hi there. I'm Shannon!

I'm a Bible teacher, passionate about God and captivated by His Word. His story is one seamless grand narrative of redemption, full of mystery and adventure, passion and heartache, unlikely people with impossible callings, and unimaginable plot twists. And every page points to Jesus Christ.

But I didn't always view Scripture this way. I used to read the Bible a few times a week because I knew I should, but I didn't really understand it or see how it connected to my everyday life. I had a nagging sense that there was more to a relationship with God than what I was experiencing.

When the Holy Spirit began stirring in me a deep longing to know God better and love Him more, I began to get more serious about my study of Scripture. That's how the S.T.O.R.Y. Bible study method was born.

Combining timeless methods of Bible study, Study with S.T.O.R.Y. is a fresh way of studying Scripture. Using the acronym S.T.O.R.Y., this approach to digging into God's Word will guide you through 5 steps for studying the Bible, one chapter at a time: Simply read, Thoroughly mark, Openly explore, Re-write text, Your story.

Use the worksheets to follow the S.T.O.R.Y. steps for each chapter of the book of the Bible you are studying. You will discover the beauty of relationship with God and the breath-taking brilliance of His story. And you will find your story on the pages of His Word.

In a thousand ways, God is writing a story of redemption with our lives. He is turning our grief into joy, our disappointment into fulfillment, and our fear into faith. I pray that as you study, you will gain clarity and confidence in your understanding of Scripture and discover how God's story transforms yours.

Study with S.T.O.R.Y.

01 Simply Read

Read the passage multiple times to increase comprehension. Consider using a different translation or listening to an audio Bible. What are your initial observations? What questions do you have about the text – both questions of curiosity and questions for clarity?



02 Thoroughly Mark

Using coloured pens and symbols, mark key repeated words in the passage. You can do this either in your Bible or on a printed version of the text. Make a list of what you learn each time the key words are used. Then do a word study by looking up key words in the original language (blueletterbible.org).



03 Openly Explore

What does the rest of the Bible have to say about the key topics in your passage? Using an online concordance (biblehub.com), look up cross references for the key verses and note what you learn.



04 Re-write Text

Handwriting scripture is a beautiful way to slow down and dwell on the meaning of the passage. Copy the text word-for-word in your own handwriting. You may also want to check out my Bible Writing Plans for handwriting whole books of the Bible.



05 Your Story

Where did you catch a glimpse of God in the passage? Write down what you learn about His character and ways. Then discern how the Holy Spirit wants you to apply the truths from the passage to your life. What action steps will you take?



SCRIPTURE: _____

OBSERVATIONS

This image shows a single sheet of white paper with horizontal ruling lines. The lines are evenly spaced and extend across the width of the page. There are no margins, text, or other markings on the paper.

QUESTIONS

This image shows a single sheet of white paper with horizontal blue or grey ruling lines, typical of notebook paper. The lines are evenly spaced and run across the width of the page. There is no handwriting or other markings on the paper.

The image displays three blank, lined pages from a notebook, arranged side-by-side. Each page is white with horizontal ruling lines. The pages are slightly aged, with a subtle yellowish tint. The lines are evenly spaced and extend across the width of each page. There is no handwriting or other markings on the pages.

The image shows three blank, lined pages from a notebook, arranged side-by-side. Each page is white with horizontal ruling lines. The pages are slightly aged, with a light cream or off-white color. The lines are evenly spaced and run across the width of each page. There is no handwriting or other markings on the pages.

04 Re-write Text

Lined area for re-writing text.

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