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COURSE 6**

**THE SALVATION ARMY
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Hints for Success

1. Begin your study time with prayer, asking God to help you to concentrate and understand.
2. Use either **dark** pencil or pen, as long as the color is not red or green .
3. Print or write **neatly**, and large enough to be read easily.
4. Be sure to print your name and number (or, if you are not incarcerated, include your address) at the beginning of **every** lesson. Things sometimes get mixed in the mail.
5. **Don't rush!** Careful reading and, if necessary, re-reading is the true key to success in these lessons.
6. The numbers of the questions on the pages to be graded match the numbers given on the study pages.
7. Read **all** the Scripture references given in the study notes for each lesson. You will usually find the answers in these passages. It is recommended that you do one question at a time.
8. Read each question carefully. Look for "clue" words, such as: **who** said; **what** happened; **when** did; **list** in order, etc.
9. Give **complete** answers in as few words as possible.
10. Be sure to quote when asked to do so. **Quote** means to copy, word for word, from the Bible or from your study notes. Other ways that you might be asked to quote include: What did "so-and-so" say; Give four facts listed in the lesson; Name three ways to classify; etc. **When you quote from Scripture, always remember to give the reference (book, chapter, verse).**
11. When asked to answer **in your own words**, do so. **Your grade will be lowered** if you quote from the Bible or the lesson material.
12. When you are asked to tell the story or tell what happened, tell the whole story of the miracle, parable or event, not just the final result.

Example: Tell what happened when Jesus raised Jairus' daughter. *Mark 5:37-42*

WRONG	RIGHT
The little girl was alive again.	Jairus' daughter was dying, so he came and asked Jesus to save her. By the time Jesus arrived at the house, the child was dead. Jesus told them not to mourn. He went into the house, taking along her parents, and Peter, James, and John. He took the little girl by the hand and said, "Child, get up." She came back to life, stood up and walked around.

13. **Avoid leaving answers blank**, especially for questions that ask for your personal thoughts or opinions. Questions that ask for your own personal opinions do not have a right or wrong answer; you will receive credit as long as you give an honest response. Always do your best to answer each question. Partial credit is often given where you show that you tried your best to answer the more difficult questions.
14. Please **submit perforated lesson (question) pages** only. Study notes and covers will not be returned, due to the high cost of postage.
15. Please send **all** the lessons from this book at one time for grading. However, if necessary, we will accept one or two lessons at a time.
16. When you have finished this course, and have received the required grade, you will receive a certificate.
17. Please read the comments on your lessons when they are returned to you. They will add to your learning experience.
18. There are six Bible courses in the Basic Series. In addition to the certificate for each course, you will receive a **Final Certificate** when you complete the Basic Series. There are continuing courses available to those who have satisfactory grades.

Spelling Helps

<u>Aaron</u>	<u>Holy Spirit</u>	<u>Matthew</u>	<u>Satan</u>
<u>Altar</u>	<u>Idols</u>	<u>Mt. Sinai</u>	<u>Savior</u>
<u>Angel</u>	<u>Isaiah</u>	<u>Prophet</u>	<u>Temple</u>
<u>Apostle</u>	<u>Israel</u>	<u>Psalms</u>	<u>Testament</u>
<u>Baptize</u>	<u>John</u>	<u>Resurrection</u>	<u>Worshiped</u>
<u>Disciple</u>		<u>Sacrifice</u>	

We sincerely hope that you will enjoy and be blessed through this study of the Bible.

God bless you.

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2 Timothy 2:15 (NIV)

1

IN THE BEGINNING

1. SIX DAYS OF CREATION: *Genesis 1*

In the Bible we read exactly what God made on each of the six days of creation.

2. THE SEVENTH DAY: *Genesis 2:1-7*

In verse 2 we read that on the Sabbath (or seventh) day God “rested,” which means He stopped creating. **He made it a SPECIAL day when He “blessed and sanctified” it.** In other words, it was a day set apart for everyone to rest and enjoy friendship and fellowship with God. Since the resurrection of Christ our Lord took place on the first day of the week, most Christians have observed Sunday as the day of rest and worship, and it is called the Lord’s Day.

3. GOD CREATED THE PLANTS: *Genesis 1:29; 2:8-15*

God created plants including trees for the beauty of the earth; for food good for man, animals and birds.

4. ADAM AND EVE: THE FALL INTO SIN: *Genesis 2:16-25; 3:1-7*

Four rivers were formed of one main river in the garden. They were the Pishon, the Gihon, the Tigris and the Euphrates. One tree, which was forbidden for food was the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. Eve and Adam did not resist the temptation.

5. CONSEQUENCES OF SIN: *Genesis 3:8-24*

God spelled out what would be the human condition from the day of the Fall to this day.

6. CAIN AND ABEL: *Genesis 4:1-15 / Hebrews 9:22* (New Testament)

In the light of *Hebrews 9:22* and the many blood sacrifices required by God in Old Testament times, it is most likely that God had told Cain and Abel that He wanted them to make offerings of animals.

7. NOAH AND THE ARK: *Genesis 6*

Noah and his sons were obedient to a command that God gave to build a ship near where there was no river. They withstood the ridicule of the people around them for putting together such a gigantic boat. Since they were righteous in God’s sight, Noah and his family were saved.

8. THE FLOOD: *Genesis 7*

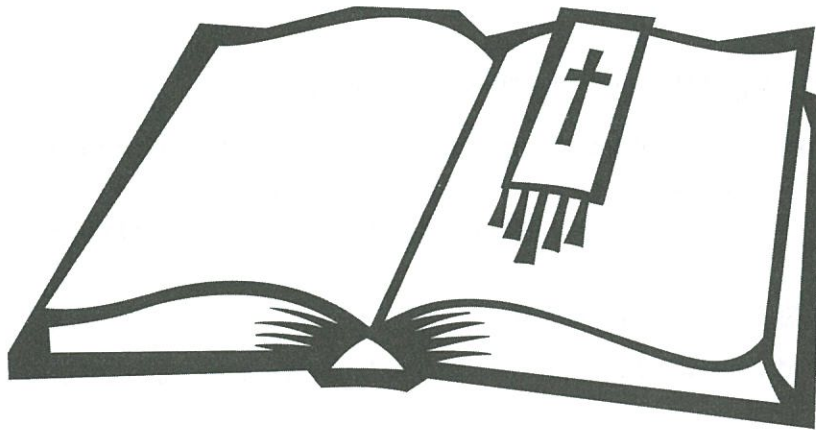
It had never rained upon the earth until this time. The rains came down and the floods came up. Geysers broke loose and waters covered the earth. The earth was changed forever.

9. END OF THE FLOOD: *Genesis 8*

Note verses 18-20. God saw the grateful worship of Noah and made a promise to Himself.

10. GOD'S PROMISE TO NOAH: *Genesis 9*

Note verses 11-17. God also made a promise to Noah. This promise continues to this very day. The "bow in the cloud," which God promised, is the rainbow we see in the sky.



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ABRAHAM: THE FRIEND OF GOD

1. TOWER OF BABEL: *Genesis 11:1-9*

Men were proud and wanted to make a great name for themselves and become mightier than they were, so without consulting God, they decided to build a brick tower, the top of which would reach to heaven. God saw their wickedness and knew that they wanted to become too great, so He stopped the building of the tower by causing them to speak so many different languages that they couldn't understand each other. Then He scattered them abroad into various parts of the world. (This explanation is given in order to help you understand the story, but in answering the question please do so in your own words, after you have carefully read the Bible verses.)

2. ABRAHAM'S FAMILY: *Genesis 11:27, 31-32*

In these verses we learn that Lot was a nephew of Abram. We also learn who Abram's father was, and where these three people lived. They started out in Ur of the Chaldees; then moved to Haran.

3. THE CALL OF ABRAHAM: *Genesis 12*

Note verses 1-5. From Haran God called Abram out to another country and another journey altogether.

4. ABRAHAM AND LOT SEPARATE: *Genesis 13:1-9*

The blessing of wealth often comes with choices to be made. Lot and Abraham had to choose where they would settle.

5. ABRAHAM AND LOT'S CHOICES OF LAND: *Genesis 13:10-13*

Abraham chose the land that God had promised him. Lot moved too close to great sin.

6. GOD'S PROMISES TO ABRAHAM: *Genesis 13:14-18*

Abraham's faithfulness and obedience, so far, were still being honored by God's promise of a great future.

7. ABRAHAM RESCUED LOT: *Genesis 14*

Note verses 11-12. Genesis 15 and 16 would be helpful. Abraham commanded over three hundred of his own servants to go with him to rescue Lot from the warring kings.

8. CHANGE OF NAME AND PROMISE OF A SON: *Genesis 17*

Note verses 1-8. God continues His promise with Abraham and changes His name in the process.

9. THREE VISITORS: *Genesis 18*

Note verses 20-33. Two angels and Jesus in human form came to visit Abraham. They gave good news and bad news to Abraham.

10. SODOM AND GOMORRAH DESTROYED: *Genesis 19:1-29*

Note verses 12-26. Only four people survived the destruction of these two wicked cities, because of Abraham's negotiation with God. Even one of those survivors disobeyed and never made it to safety. Lot's wife was turned into a 'pillar of salt' because she disobeyed God. She stopped, and looked back, and was overtaken by the sulfuric disaster that was destroying the plain.



“For God so loved the World that He gave His one and only Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send His Son into the World to condemn the World, but to save the World through Him.”

John 3:16-17 (NIV)

3

THREE OF GOD'S CHOSEN ONES

1. THE BIRTH OF ISAAC: *Genesis 21*

Note verse 3. Part of God's promise to Abraham and Sarah came true. Sarah remembered that she laughed.

2. ABRAHAM TESTED: *Genesis 22-23*

Note verses 1-13 in *Genesis 22*. Abraham was willing to obey God's command to sacrifice the son that he loved, Isaac. (Not Ishmael.)

3. ISAAC AND REBEKAH: *Genesis 24*

Note verses 10-20. Abraham followed God's will in having a wife chosen for Isaac.

4. JACOB AND ESAU: *Genesis 25:19-34*

Note verses 24-28. Rebekah and Isaac were like their sons each in their own way. Their story is an example of the difficulties that come with "mom likes me best" and "dad likes me best" family settings.

5. JACOB RECEIVED ISAAC'S BLESSING USING DECEIT: *Genesis 27*

Note verses 1-4 and 18-19. Jacob deceived his father, making him believe that he was Esau, and in that way he obtained from his father the blessing that belonged to Esau.

6. JOSEPH: *Genesis 30:22-24; 37:1-11*

It seems that Jacob had not remembered what favoritism had caused in his own family life, when it came to how he treated Joseph compared to his other sons.

7. JOSEPH'S TEMPTATION AND REWARD: *Genesis 39*

Note verses 20-23. Joseph was faithful to God and this story shows how he was rewarded.

8. PHAROAH'S DREAMS: *Genesis 41-42*

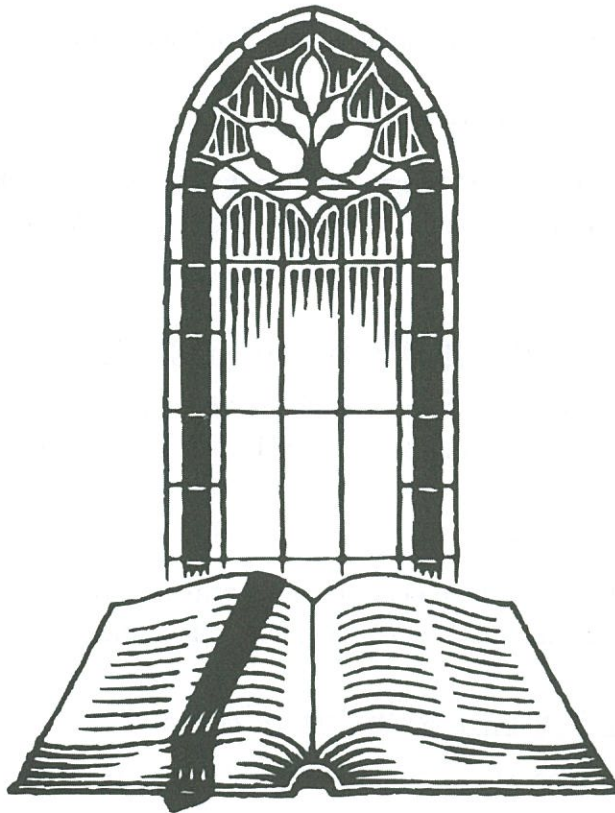
Note verses 46-49 and 54-57 in *Genesis 41*. Note verses 1-3 in *Genesis 42*. Joseph never strayed from his devotion to and dependence upon God. He had faith that God would give the interpretation of the dream.

9. THE FAMILY CAME TO EGYPT: *Genesis 45*

It will be helpful to read Genesis 43 and 44. Note verses 1-4 in Genesis 45. Word spread everywhere that there was food in Egypt, thanks to Governor Joseph.

10. JACOB BLESSED HIS SONS AND JOSEPH REVEALED HIMSELF: *Genesis 45, 49, 50*

Note verse 33 in the Genesis 49. Note verses 1-13 in Genesis 50. Joseph again showed his faith in God and forgave his brothers. He revealed that he was their brother, they rejoiced together. Several trips were made between Egypt and Canaan. The sons of Jacob became the Israelites and moved into the Goshen delta where they lived for seventeen years before Jacob breathed his last breath. Joseph kept his vow to his father.



“That if you confess with your mouth, ‘Jesus is Lord,’ and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you confess and are saved.”

Romans 10:9-10 (NIV)

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