



QUARTER 1: SHADOWS

STEP INTO SCRIPTURE

WEEK 1: SIN, SACRIFICE, AND COVENANT



Welcome

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Bible Reading Plan



This Week's Reading

DAY 1 **Wed, Jan 8: Genesis 1—3**

DAY 2 **Thu, Jan 9: Genesis 4—7**

DAY 3 **Fri, Jan 10: Genesis 8—11**

DAY 4 **Sat, Jan 11: Job 1—5**

DAY 5 **Sun, Jan 12: Job 6—9**

DAY 6 **Mon, Jan 13: Job 10—13**

DAY 7 **Tue, Jan 14: Job 14—16**

Weekly Gatherings

30 MINUTES

Arrival, Fellowship, and Reading

30 MINUTES

Teaching

30 MINUTES

Table Discussion and Announcements

Today's Reading

Shadows Section Intro in Step Into Scripture

Genesis 1 - 3

Day 1 in Step Into Scripture

Metanarrative

The metanarrative is the overarching story of Scripture.

The Bible is one single story, divided into 66 books.

- **Written over about a 1,500 year span**
- **Written on three different continents (Asia, Africa, Europe)**
- **Written in three languages (Hebrew, Aramaic, Greek)**
- **Written in a wide variety of literary styles (historical narrative, biography, autobiography, memoir, law, correspondence, parable, poetry, prophecy...)**
- **Written to tell a single, unfolding story:**

The story is God's plan for the restoration of all mankind for all eternity.

4 Key Events

Creation

The Fall

The Flood

The Tower of Babel

3 Key Themes

Sin

Sacrifice

Covenant

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Until we begin



Thematic Emphasis

Repetition

Cyclical Structure

Chiastic Structure

Consequences of Sin

Severe pain in childbearing (3:16)

Struggle in marriage (3:16)

Cursing the ground with thorns and thistles (3:18)

Work is painful and burdensome (3:17)

Return to dust (death) (3:19)

Banishment from the garden (presence of God) (3:23)

PROGRESSION OF SIN

Sin begins with mockery of God. (3:1)

Sin leads us to hide from God. (3:8)

Sin leaves us exposed and vulnerable (naked). (3:7)

GENESIS 3:21

The Lord God made garments of skin for Adam and his wife and clothed them.

Why did God cover them in this way after they had already covered themselves with leaves? Because a sacrifice was needed.

GENESIS 4:13—14A

13 Cain said to the Lord, “My punishment is more than I can bear. 14 Today you are driving me from the land, and I will be hidden from your presence;

GENESIS 4:23—24

**23 Lamech said to his wives,
“Adah and Zillah, listen to me;
wives of Lamech, hear my words.
I have killed a man for wounding me,
a young man for injuring me.
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GENESIS 4:25—26

25 Adam made love to his wife again, and she gave birth to a son and named him Seth, saying, “God has granted me another child in place of Abel, since Cain killed him.” 26 Seth also had a son, and he named him Enosh. At that time people began to call on the name of the Lord.

GENESIS 3:14–15

14 So the Lord God said to the serpent, “Because you have done this, “Cursed are you above all livestock and all wild animals!

You will crawl on your belly and you will eat dust all the days of your life. 15 And I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; he will crush your head, and you will strike his heel.”

LUKE 3:38

**the son of Enosh,
the son of Seth, the son of Adam,
the son of God.**

GENESIS 6:5—8

5 The Lord saw how great the wickedness of the human race had become on the earth, and that every inclination of the thoughts of the human heart was only evil all the time. 6 The Lord regretted that he had made human beings on the earth, and his heart was deeply troubled.

GENESIS 6:5—8

7 So the Lord said, “I will wipe from the face of the earth the human race I have created—and with them the animals, the birds and the creatures that move along the ground—for I regret that I have made them.” 8 But Noah found favor in the eyes of the Lord.

1 PETER 3:18—21

18 For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, to bring you to God. He was put to death in the body but made alive in the Spirit. 19 After being made alive, he went and made proclamation to the imprisoned spirits— 20 to those who were disobedient long ago when God waited patiently in the days of Noah while the ark was being built. In it only a few people, eight in all, were saved through water,

1 PETER 3:18—21

21 and this water symbolizes baptism that now saves you also—not the removal of dirt from the body but the pledge of a clear conscience toward God. It saves you by the resurrection of Jesus Christ,

GENESIS 9:8—11

**8 Then God said to Noah and to his sons with him:
9 “I now establish my covenant with you and with your descendants after you 10 and with every living creature that was with you—the birds, the livestock and all the wild animals, all those that came out of the ark with you—every living creature on earth. 11 I establish my covenant with you: Never again will all life be destroyed by the waters of a flood; never again will there be a flood to destroy the earth.”**

2 PETER 3:3—11

3 Above all, you must understand that in the last days scoffers will come, scoffing and following their own evil desires. 4 They will say, “Where is this ‘coming’ he promised? Ever since our ancestors died, everything goes on as it has since the beginning of creation.” 5 But they deliberately forget that long ago by God’s word the heavens came into being and the earth was formed out of water and by water. 6 By these waters also the world of that time was deluged and destroyed. 7 By the same word the present heavens and earth are reserved for fire, being kept for the day of judgment and destruction of the ungodly.

2 PETER 3:3—11

8 But do not forget this one thing, dear friends: With the Lord a day is like a thousand years, and a thousand years are like a day. 9 The Lord is not slow in keeping his promise, as some understand slowness. Instead he is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance.

2 PETER 3:3—11

11 Since everything will be destroyed in this way, what kind of people ought you to be? You ought to live holy and godly lives 12 as you look forward to the day of God and speed its coming. That day will bring about the destruction of the heavens by fire, and the elements will melt in the heat. 13 But in keeping with his promise we are looking forward to a new heaven and a new earth, where righteousness dwells.

GENESIS 3:22—23

22 And the Lord God said, “The man has now become like one of us, knowing good and evil. He must not be allowed to reach out his hand and take also from the tree of life and eat, and live forever.” 23 So the Lord God banished him from the Garden of Eden to work the ground from which he had been taken.

REVELATION 22:1—5

Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, as clear as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb 2 down the middle of the great street of the city. On each side of the river stood the tree of life, bearing twelve crops of fruit, yielding its fruit every month. And the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. 3 No longer will there be any curse. The throne of God and of the Lamb will be in the city, and his servants will serve him.

REVELATION 22:1—5

4 They will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. 5 There will be no more night. They will not need the light of a lamp or the light of the sun, for the Lord God will give them light. And they will reign for ever and ever.