

# Believe

## Scope and Sequence for Adults

### BELIEFS – What do I believe?

#### LOVE GOD

##### Key O.T. Story

##### Key N.T. Story

#### 1 – God



Creation  
(Genesis 1:1, Psalm 19)

Jesus' Baptism  
(Luke 3)

**Key Idea:** "I believe the God of the Bible is the only true God -- Father, Son and Holy Spirit."

**Key Verse:** 2 Corinthians 13:14

#### 2 – Personal God



The Lord Is My Shepherd  
(Psalm 23)

Why worry?  
(Matthew 6:25-34)

**Key Idea:** "I believe God is involved in and cares about my daily life."

**Key Verse:** Psalm 121:1-2

#### 3 – Salvation



Adam & Eve  
(Genesis 2:8-9, 15-17; 3:1-24)

The Cross & Resurrection  
(Matthew 26:1-4; 27:27-66; 28:1-10)

**Key Idea:** "I believe a person comes into a right relationship with God by God's grace through faith in Jesus Christ."

**Key Verse:** Ephesians 2:8-9

#### 4 – Bible



The Ten Commandments  
(Exodus 3:1-4:17)

The Temptation of Jesus  
(Matthew 4:1-11)

**Key Idea:** "I believe the Bible is the Word of God and has the right to command my belief and action."

**Key Verse:** 2 Timothy 3:16-17

#### 5 – Identity in Christ



Name Change (Abraham & Sarah)  
(Genesis 17:1-7; 21:1-7)

Zacchaeus  
(Luke 19:1-9)

**Key Idea:** "I believe I am significant because of my position as a child of God."

**Key Verse:** John 1:12

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#### 6 – Church



The Founding of Israel  
(Genesis 12:1-9; 15:1-21)

The Founding of the Church  
(Acts 1-2)

**Key Idea:** “I believe the church is God’s primary way to accomplish his purposes on earth.”

**Key Verse:** Ephesians 4:15

#### 7 – Humanity



Cain & Abel  
(Genesis 4:1-16)

The Lost & Found Sheep  
(Matthew 18:10-14)

**Key Idea:** “I believe all people are loved by God and need Jesus Christ as their Savior.”

**Key Verse:** John 3:16

#### 8 – Compassion



Ruth & Boaz  
(Ruth 2:1-4:17)

The Good Samaritan  
(Luke 10:25-37)

**Key Idea:** “I believe God calls all Christians to show compassion to people in need.”

**Key Verse:** Psalm 82:3-4

#### 9 – Stewardship



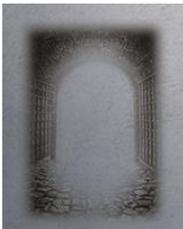
Hannah & Samuel  
(1 Samuel 1:1-28; 2:18-21)

The Widow’s Offering  
(Mark 12:41-44)

**Key Idea:** “I believe everything I am and everything I own belongs to God.”

**Key Verse:** Psalm 24:1-2

#### 10 – Eternity



Elijah Goes Up to Heaven  
(2 Kings 2:1-18)

John’s Vision  
(Revelation 20:11-22:21)

**Key Idea:** “I believe there is a heaven and a hell and that Jesus will return to judge all people and to establish his eternal kingdom.”

**Key Verse:** John 14:1-2

## PRACTICES – What do I do?

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| <b>11 – Worship</b><br>             | God Keeps Daniel Safe<br>(Daniel 6:1-27)<br><br><b>Key Idea:</b> “I worship God for who he is and what he has done for me.”<br><b>Key Verse:</b> Psalm 95:1-2                                | Paul & Silas in Prison<br>(Acts 16:16-35)      |
| <b>12 – Prayer</b><br>              | Gideon<br>(Judges 6-7)<br><br><b>Key Idea:</b> “I pray to God to know him, to find direction for my life and to lay my requests before him.”<br><b>Key Verse:</b> Psalm 66:18-20             | Seek & Knock/Lord’s Prayer<br>(Luke 11:1-13)   |
| <b>13 – Bible Study</b><br>        | The Lord Commands Joshua<br>(Joshua 1:1-11)<br><br><b>Key Idea:</b> “I study the Bible to know God and his truth and to find direction for my daily life.”<br><b>Key Verse:</b> Hebrews 4:12 | Parable of the Four Soils<br>(Matthew 13:1-23) |
| <b>14 – Single-mindedness</b><br> | Jehoshaphat Defeats the Enemy<br>(2 Chronicles 20:1-30)<br><br><b>Key Idea:</b> “I focus on God and his priorities for my life.”<br><b>Key Verse:</b> Matthew 6:33                           | Jesus Walks on Water<br>(Matthew 14:22-36)     |
| <b>15 – Total Surrender</b><br>   | Fiery Furnace<br>(Daniel 3:8-28)<br><br><b>Key Idea:</b> “I dedicate my life to God’s purposes.”<br><b>Key Verse:</b> Romans 12:1  | Stephen<br>(Acts 6:8-7:60)                     |

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#### 16 – Biblical Community



Rebuilding the Wall of Jerusalem  
(Nehemiah 2:11-3:32; 6:15)

Church Unity & Sharing  
(Acts 2:42-47; 4:32-37)

**Key Idea:** "I fellowship with Christians to accomplish God's purposes in my life, in the life of others and in the world."

**Key Verse:** Acts 22:44-47

#### 17 – Spiritual Gifts



Daniel Interprets the King's Dream  
(Daniel 2:1-47)

The Body  
(1 Cor. 12:4-13:13)

**Key Idea:** "I know my spiritual gifts and use them to fulfill God's purposes."

**Key Verse:** Romans 12:4-6a

#### 18 – Offering My Time



Finishing the Temple  
Haggai 1:1-15)

Jesus in His Father's Temple  
(Luke 2:41-52)

**Key Idea:** "I invest my time in fulfilling God's purposes."

**Key Verse:** Colossians 3:17

#### 19 – Giving My Resources



Gifts to the Tabernacle  
(Exodus 35:4-29; 36:6)

Gifts to Help Jerusalem  
(2 Corinthians 8:1-9:15)

**Key Idea:** "I give my resources to fulfill God's purposes."

**Key Verse:** 2 Corinthians 8:7

#### 20 – Sharing My Faith



Jonah  
(Jonah 3:1-4:11)

Philip & the Ethiopian  
(Acts 8:26-40)

**Key Idea:** "I share my faith with others to fulfill God's purposes."

**Key Verse:** Ephesians 6:19-20

## VIRTUES – Who am I becoming?

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#### 21 – Love



David & Jonathan  
(1 Sam. 18:1-4; 19:1-7; 20:1-42)

Unmerciful Servant  
(Matthew 18:21-35)

**Key Idea:** "I am committed to loving God and loving others."

**Key Verse:** 1 John 4:10-12

#### 22 – Joy



The Feast of Tabernacles  
(Nehemiah 8:13-17)

Vine & Branches  
John 15:1-11

**Key Idea:** "Despite my circumstances, I feel inner contentment and understand my purpose in life."

**Key Verse:** John 15:11

#### 23 – Peace



Solomon's Kingdom at Peace  
(1 Kings 3:1-5; 4:20-25)

Jesus Calms the Storm  
(Mark 4:35-41)

**Key Idea:** "I am free from anxiety because I have found peace with God, peace with others and peace with myself."

**Key Verse:** Philippians 4:6-7

#### 24 – Self-Control



Joseph & Potiphar's Wife  
(Genesis 39:1-23)

The Prodigal Son  
(Luke 15:11-32)

**Key Idea:** "I have the power through Christ to control myself."

**Key Verse:** Titus 2:11-13

#### 25 – Hope



Isaiah the Prophet Brings Hope  
(Isaiah 40:1-31)

Simeon  
(Luke 2:22-35)

**Key Idea:** "I can cope with the hardships of life because of the hope I have in Jesus Christ."

**Key Verse:** Hebrews 6:19-20a

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#### 26 – Patience



David's Patience with Saul  
(1 Samuel 24:1-22; 26:1-5)

Paul & John Mark  
(Acts 15:36-41; 2 Tim. 4:11)

**Key Idea:** "I am slow to anger and endure patiently under the unavoidable pressures of life."

**Key Verse:** Proverbs 14:29

#### 27 – Kindness/Goodness



David & Mephibosheth  
(2 Samuel 9:1-13; 16:1-4; 19:24-30)

Jesus at the Pharisee's House  
(Luke 14:1-14)

**Key Idea:** "I choose to be kind and good in my relationships with others."

**Key Verse:** 1 Thessalonians 5:17

#### 28 – Faithfulness



Joseph  
(Genesis 37:1-36; 39:1-6a;  
40:1-23; 41:14-46a; 42:1-6)

Mary  
(Luke 1:26-56, 2:1-21)

**Key Idea:** "I have established a good name with God and others based on my loyalty to those relationships."

**Key Verse:** Proverbs 3:3-4

#### 29 – Gentleness



Nabal & Abigail  
(1 Samuel 25)

Jesus Reinstates Peter  
(John 21:1-19)

**Key Idea:** "I am thoughtful, considerate and calm in my dealings with others."

**Key Verse:** Philippians 4:5

#### 30 – Humility



Nebuchadnezzar  
(Daniel 4:1-37)

Jesus Washes Disciples' Feet  
(John 13:1-17)

**Key Idea:** "I choose to esteem others above myself."

**Key Verse:** Philippians 2:3-4