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YEAR 1: ENGAGING CHRISTIANITY

Sept.

Bible Study: Overview, Means, & Observation

- Why Bible study important: Exegesis v. Eisegesis
- 5 Means: Hearing, Reading, Studying, Meditating, & Memorizing
- Tools for Observation

Oct

Bible Study: Interpretation & Application

- Review why Bible study is important
- 6 Pitfalls & 5 Keys to Interpretation
- 5 Steps & 9 Questions for Application

Nov.

Prayer: Lord's Prayer & ACTS

- What prayer is and why it's important
- The prayer Jesus taught Us
- ACTS as a simple outline to guide us

Jan.

Old Testament Story: Genesis-Malachi

- Overview of OT documents
- OT narrative highlighting key themes (covenant, sacrifice, etc.)
- Jesus as the true and better

Feb.

Gospel Story: Creation, Fall, Redemption, Restoration

- The four movements
- The four movements exemplified in Biblical narratives
- The four movements exemplified in personal faith stories

March

New Testament Story: Matthew-Revelation

- Overview of NT documents
- NT narrative highlighting key movements (Incarnation, passion, etc.)
- Cultural and historical setting of the NT

April

Idolatry, Repentance, & Belief

- What is idolatry?
- Identifying personal and cultural idols
- Replacing idols through repentance & believing the gospel

May

Spiritual Warfare: World, Flesh, Devil

- We are at war!
- Understanding our enemies: The world, the flesh, and the devil
- Weapons & defenses we have against these enemies

June

BLESSing Your Neighbor

- Lost people are headed for destruction unless they come to Jesus
- Breaking down the BLESS acronym
- Tools for sharing your story

YEAR 2: SYSTEMATIC THEOLOGY

Truth, Revelation, & Scripture

- Objective v. Subjective Knowledge
- The necessity of revelation: General and Special
- Inspiration, Inerrancy, Illumination, Interpretation

The Greatness of God

- The sovereign nature of God
- The 3 Omni's
- Transcendence and Immanence

The Goodness of God

- The triune nature of God
- God's moral & Relational qualities
- The tension of love & justice

Creation & Humanity

- God's aseity and creation *ex nihilo* for God's glory
- Orthodox & Unorthodox understandings of creation
- Imago dei, the divine mandate, gender, and the fall

Person & Work of Jesus

- The promised Messiah: Fully God and Fully Man
- Jesus perfect life, sacrificial death, & resurrection
- His current intercession and certain return

The Church and Her Mission

- The nature and character of the Church
- The Church gathered (sacraments, *kononia*, worship, etc)
- The Church scattered (corporate & personal mission)

Sin & Salvation

- The nature, source, results, and magnitude of Sin
- Salvation by grace alone through faith alone
- Salvation: Justification, Sanctification, Glorification

Person & Work of The Holy Spirit

- The Person of the Holy Spirit
- The Work of the Holy Spirit
- Walking in step with the Spirit & Spiritual Gifts

Heaven, Hell, & Eternity

- Jesus' Return & Judgment
- Heaven, New Creation, & Rewards
- The certainty & severity of eternal punishment

YEAR 3: EMBODYING CHRIST

Apologetics: Science, Secularism, & The Bible

- The Bible & Science are not at odds
- The limits of naturalism & the sensibility of miracles
- Christianity makes more sense than secularism

Apologetics: The Problem of Pain & Suffering

- The necessity of God for suffering to be objectively bad
- Suffering as punishment and discipline
- The suffering of Jesus frees to not understand all pain

Meditation & Practicing the Presence

- Christian meditation in response to scripture
- Practicing the presence
- Ongoing prayer & meditation compliments focused times

Biblical Justice & Social Responsibility

- Social justice and communal welfare in Israel
- Social justice in the teaching of Jesus and Apostles
- Contemporary issues (poverty, racism, abortion, etc.)

Gospel Fluency: Gospel Storying

- My Creation, Fall, Redemption, Restoration narrative
- Listening for other's C-F-R-R narrative
- Jesus is the better

Priesthood of All Believers

- Missio Dei
- Functions of OT priests
- How we function as modern day priests

Gospel Fluency: Root to Fruit

- All sin is idolatry & all of life is repentance
- Determining the root by the fruit
- Developing the fruit starting with the root

Holiness & Spiritual Fruit

- Putting off sinful misdeeds of the body
- Putting on Christian virtues (fruit of the Spirit)
- Being made new in the attitude of the mind

Living for Eternity

- Relationships in light of eternity
- Finances in light of eternity
- Work in light eternity