## The Story Bible Study Schedule

Chapter 1 Creation: April 29<sup>th</sup> The Beginning of Life as We Know it People are the pinnacle of God's creative work, and He is In relentless pursuit of a relationship with each of us.

In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. GENESIS 1:1

Chapter 2 God Builds a Nation May 6<sup>th</sup> God will accomplish His plan and will in this world, but He often does it in ways we would not expect and through surprising people.

"I will establish my covenant as an everlasting covenant between me and you and your descendants after you for the generations to come, to be your God and the God of your descendants after you." GENESIS 17:7

Chapter 3 Joseph: From Slave to Deputy Pharaoh May 13<sup>th</sup> All of us naturally avoid times of struggle, pain, and hardship, but these moments in life might just be the tool God uses to accomplish his will in and through us.

"You meant evil against me, but God meant it for good to bring it about that many people should be kept alive, as they are today." GENESIS 50:20

**Chapter 4 Deliverance June 10**<sup>th</sup> Be careful when you say "I could never" or "I would never." God might just call you to do the very thing you are sure would never show up on the radar of your life.

"Commemorate this day, the day you came out of Egypt, out of the land of slavery, because the Lord brought you out of it with a mighty hand." EXODUS 13:3

Chapter 5 New Commands and a New Covenant June 24<sup>th</sup> God gives his laws and commandments to free us, protect us, and show us his love.. not to take away our fun and ruin our lives.

"Then have them make a sanctuary for me, and I will dwell among them. Make this tabernacle and all its furnishings exactly like the pattern I will show you." **EXODUS 25: 8-9** 

**Chapter 6 Wandering** July 8<sup>th</sup> God has a great path planned for us that includes joy and intimacy with him; when we choose to take our own route the journey is harder and takes longer.

Then Moses entreated the Lord his God, and said, "O Lord, why does Your anger burn against Your people whom You have brought out from the land of Egypt with great power and with a mighty hand?" **EXODUS 2:11** 

Chapter 7 The Battle Begins July 22<sup>nd</sup> This might surprise you, but following God involves engaging in an ongoing series of battles to live in his will and walk in his ways...this will always be part of our story. "Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid." JOSHUA 1:9

**Chapter 8** A Few Good Men...and Women August 5<sup>th</sup> God is in the business of bringing sinful people back into relationship with him; sometimes to accomplish this goal, he calls on a surprising and unexpected people to help in the process.

"How can I save Israel? My clan is the weakest in Manasseh, and I am the least in my family."

JUDGES 6:15

**Chapter 9** The Faith of a Foreign Woman August 19<sup>th</sup> When things seem hopeless and life feels meaningless, God might just be getting ready to do some of his best work.

"Praise be to the Lord, who this day has not left you without a guardian-redeemer...He will renew your life and sustain you in your old age. For your daughter-in-law, who loves you and who is better to you than seven sons, has given him birth." RUTH 4:14-15