

# The Story Devotional Plan 2023

## Chapter 4: Transitions



Welcome to Chapter 4 of “The Story”, our exciting journey through the Bible in 2023.

Below you will see 35 days of Scripture to use in your time alone w/ God AND to prep for the upcoming Sunday.

Here are some tips to get you started:

- For all of these passages, we encourage you to [SOAP](#) the text.
- For each day, we provide a statement or question to help you observe the text in order to apply it to your life.
- For an overview video of each one of the books, click the appropriate [book](#) below.

Let's *begin!*

### NUMBERS

#### READ

04/10: [Numbers 6](#)  
04/11: [Num 11-12](#)  
04/12: [Num 13-14](#)  
04/13: [Num 20:2-13](#)  
04/14: [Numbers 22](#)  
04/15: [Num 33:50-56](#)  
04/16: [Num 35-36](#)

#### REFLECT

What does it mean to be set apart for God? What are specific ways you have been set apart?  
Where do you see God's justice? Where do you see His grace? What do you see re: Moses' faith?  
Things had become bad. If you were Moses, would you have gone w/ [14:12](#)? What was Moses' response?  
The people complain and God is gracious. See also [Num. 21:4-9](#) and [John 3:14-15](#) and celebrate!  
See also [Num. 24:10-13](#). Consider how God used a [wicked prophet & king](#) to fulfill His plan. Also see [24:17!](#)  
See also [Num. 34:1-15](#). They're almost there! Why must they drive out the inhabitants & destroy their stuff?  
What do these last two chapters indicate regarding God's care for His people?

### DEUTERONOMY

#### READ

04/17: [Deut 4:1-40](#)  
04/18: [Deut 7:1-9:6](#)  
04/19: [Deut 10:12-22](#)  
04/20: [Deut 28](#)  
04/21: [Deut 30](#)  
04/22: [Deut 31](#)  
04/23: [Deut 34](#)

#### REFLECT

See also [Deut. 6](#) & make observations re: the uniqueness of God. What does [6:4](#) mean for God to be one?  
What does it mean to be chosen by God? What are the responsibilities that come with that?  
See also [Deut. 11](#). What are some of the expectations that come with a relationship with God?  
Why does God bless the obedient? Why does He curse the disobedient? See [Gal. 3:13](#) and celebrate!  
How are we able to keep God's commands? Notice [vv11-14](#) and then see [Romans 10:6-10](#).  
Notice how often “Be strong & courageous” is in [Deut. 31](#) & [Joshua 1](#). Why is this repeated so many times?  
Moses was a faithful servant, but still a shadow of the Son to come. See [Heb. 3:1-6](#) and give Him glory.

### JOSHUA

#### READ

04/24: [Joshua 1](#)  
04/25: [Joshua 2](#)  
04/26: [Joshua 3](#)  
04/27: [Joshua 6](#)  
04/28: [Joshua 7](#)  
04/29: [Joshua 11](#)  
04/30: [Joshua 24](#)

#### REFLECT

Can success be guaranteed? If so, how do you get it? What exactly is biblical success?  
Rahab heard of God's works & she was saved. What does this say about the importance of testimonies?  
The priests stepped out by faith into an overflowing river. Where might God be calling you to do the same?  
What was God's part in the walls coming down vs. Israel's part? How can this apply to your life today?  
Revisit [6:17-19](#). What does [ch7](#)'s account of Achan's sin say about our obedience and God's blessing?  
Notice [v15](#). What would it look like in your life if you “left nothing undone” regarding God's commands?  
Regardless of others, Joshua chose to follow God. Would you still follow God even if no one else did?

### JUDGES

#### READ

05/01: [Judges 1-2](#)  
05/02: [Judges 4](#)  
05/03: [Judges 6-8](#)  
05/04: [Judges 10-11](#)  
05/05: [Judges 13-16](#)  
05/06: [Judges 17-18](#)  
05/07: [Judges 19](#)

#### REFLECT

The Israelites didn't drive out the people in [ch1](#) & they went after false gods in [ch2](#). What is the correlation?  
Notice [v14](#) & [v23](#). What does it mean for God to go before you? How can this be your prayer today?  
Notice Gideon in [ch6](#) & God's Words in [7:2](#). Why is God pleased to use the weak to accomplish His will?  
What can we learn from Jephthah's life about the importance of not making deals with God?  
Notice [14:6](#); [14:19](#); [15:14](#). According to these verses, where did Samson get his strength?  
Notice [17:6](#) & [18:1](#). What's the correlation between not having a king & doing what's right in their own eyes?  
Notice [19:1](#) & see [21:25](#) (*last verse in Judges*). Whom have they rejected as King. What or Who is coming?

### RUTH

#### READ

05/08: [Ruth 1](#)  
05/09: [Ruth 2](#)  
05/10: [Ruth 3](#)  
05/11: [Ruth 4](#)  
05/12: [Gal 4:1-7](#)  
05/13: [Rom. 3:21-26](#)  
05/14: [Rom. 8:18-25](#)

#### REFLECT

Notice v16. Consider your relationships (*family, friends, etc*) & assess what makes them healthy/unhealthy.  
Looking back on your life, can you trace God's sovereignty at work? Thank Him for His plan for your life.  
Boaz was a [kinsman-redeemer](#) who acts on behalf of a relative in need. See [Heb. 2:11](#) & [Titus 2:14](#).  
Boaz & Ruth married & gave birth to Obed. Why is this so significant? See [Matt. 1:1-16](#) & [Luke 3:23-38](#).  
In the fullness of time, God sent Jesus to redeem & adopt. Spend time thanking God for His redemption.  
How specifically does God redeem through Jesus? What has God done? What must we do?  
For those who in trust in Jesus, how is redemption something that has both happened and will happen?