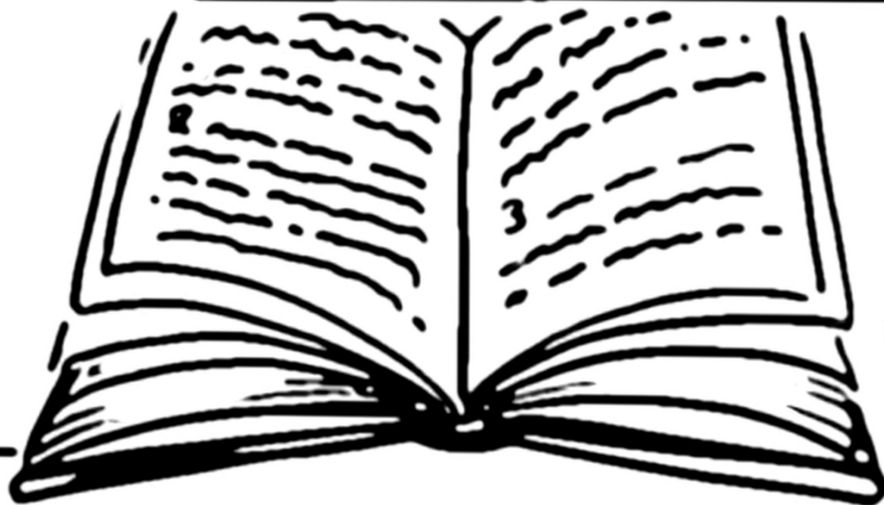


My year in the

BIG GOD

STORY



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# CREATION & GENESIS



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**In the beginning, God created the earth and everything in it - even you! God loved His people very much. But the people thought they knew better than God, and they began to do things they shouldn't do. That brought Sin into the world. Sin separates us from God. But God had a plan to heal the world and restore His people.**

# EXODUS & THE LAW



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In time, God led his people into a new land. Then he taught them. He taught them about Himself. He taught them about living together. He taught them about Sin. And He taught them how to live by giving them laws and special traditions. He also told them His promise that one day he would restore them all.

# JUDGES & KINGS



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**Sometimes the people forgot the things God had taught them. Then they ended up in trouble! When they called out to God for help, He rescued them by giving them special leaders. Some were called Judges and were strong leaders with amazing gifts who reminded the people of God's goodness. Then came Kings who led with God's authority to guide the people back to God.**

# EXILE & PROPHETS



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**Sometimes even the leaders forgot the things God had taught them. Then God sent special messengers called Prophets to remind them of his lessons, of God's love for them, and of God's promise to send someone to rescue them all. The people waited.**

# CHRISTMAS



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**Then, on a seemingly ordinary night, the special someone arrived. His name was Jesus, and he was God's own son. The baby grew up to be the special leader and teacher that God had promised all along.**

# JESUS



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**Jesus lived an incredible life! He healed people. He loved people, no matter what. He welcomed everyone. He taught people how to be part of God's special Kingdom right here on earth. He wanted them to be free from Sin forever! But some people were afraid of Jesus. They didn't want to give up the way they were living. So they arrested Jesus, and put him to death.**

# THE CHURCH



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**But not even death could stop God's promise. Jesus didn't stay dead. He came back to life! And he sent his special friends, the disciples, to start the church. The church grew, and grew, and grew, and pretty soon people all over the world were learning about God's plan, His love for them and all that Jesus had done.**

# JESUS & YOU



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**Now YOU get to be part of Jesus' church. This is YOUR part of the Big God Story! Jesus is alive and working right here with you and your church family. But the story isn't done yet. There is one more promise that God has made for the world.**

# FOREVER WITH JESUS



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God has promised that one day Jesus will come back and make **EVERYTHING** new. The earth, the sky ... even us! Then everyone who accepts him and believes in him will get to live with Him **FOREVER!**