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ELEMENTARY DISCUSSION GUIDE

TIMELINE WEEKEND

RESOURCES: Check out the three Bible Timeline One-Pagers found on the Elementary Kids Kit to help you answer the following discussion questions.

The Bible is a bunch of smaller stories that point to one big true Story: the Story of God and His rescue plan through Jesus.

EXILE ERA

(2 Kings 17, 24-25; Daniel)

1. What is the symbol used to represent this era? (A blue suitcase) Why do you think it is a suitcase? (Because the Israelites had to leave their homes during the exile)
2. What happened in Daniel 3 & 6? (Some Israelites were tested when the foreign kings made rules against worshipping the one, true God. The penalty for disobedience was death, but God protected His faithful people. He proved He was more powerful than a fiery furnace or a den of lions.)
3. How does Ezekiel 34:11-12 point to Jesus? (Jesus taught that He is a good shepherd who cares for His sheep. He would even lay down His life for them. See John 10:11, 14.)

RETURN ERA

(Ezra, Nehemiah, Esther)

1. Who are some of the names to know in this era? (Ezra, Nehemiah, and Esther)
2. Where in the Bible can you read about God helping Nehemiah lead the third group back to Israel to rebuild the walls of Jerusalem? (Nehemiah 1-6)
3. Where was Esther Queen? (Persia)
4. God promised to send a future king to rescue His people. Where was He going to be born? (See Micah 5:2 - in Bethlehem)

SILENCE ERA

1. Where in the Bible can we find the Silence era? (Nowhere! It is the 400 years when God did not speak to His people between the Old and New Testaments.)
2. How did God use the Greeks spreading a common language throughout the known world as part of His rescue plan? (Since most people spoke the Greek language, the good news of Jesus' life, death, and resurrection could spread more easily.)
3. How did God use the Roman roads as part of His plan? (Roman roads made travel easier, so Jesus' followers could take the gospel, the good news of Jesus, to many different places.)