

Bible 5: The Fullness of Time

Lesson Plan Overview

Chapter 1: Conflict Begins			Chapter Focus God fulfilled His covenants in Jesus the Deliverer.	
Lesson	Worktext	Title	Scripture Text	Lesson Focus
1–2	3–4	Introduction: Creation Mandate	Genesis 1:1–31	God created everything good and gave man dominion over it.
3	5–6	Conflict: Satan versus God and Man	Genesis 2:15–17; 3	God promised defeat for the serpent after Adam and Eve’s fall.
4–5	7–8	Theme: The Blessing of All	Genesis 1:27–28; 3:14–19; 8:20–9:17; 12:1–3	God’s covenants with Adam, Noah, and Abraham expanded His promise of redemption.
6–7	9–10	Theme: The Eternal King	Exodus 19:3–6; 2 Samuel 7:8–16; Jeremiah 31:31–34	God made covenants with Moses, David, and Israel revealing His coming kingdom.
8	11–12	Review 1		Review concepts from lessons 1–7.
9	13–14	Topical: What’s in a Story?	Genesis 3:15	God’s story is the pattern for all stories.
10	15–16	Character: A Horn of Salvation	Luke 1:1–25, 57–80	God prepared John the Baptist to be the herald for the arrived Messiah.
11	17–18	Character: The Son of David	Luke 1:26–38	God gave Jesus through Mary, making Him the Son of David by human heritage.
12	19–20	Review 2		Review concepts from lessons 9–11.
13		Test 1		Recall concepts and terms taught in lessons 1–12.
14	21–22	Setting: Not the Least	Luke 2:1–7; Micah 5:2	God’s King came to earth as a baby in a humble place.
15	23–24	Character: Glory to God in the Highest	Luke 2:8–20	God showed Jesus as glory to Himself by His announcement with the angels.
16	25–26	Character: A Light to Lighten the Gentiles	Luke 2:22–35	Simeon saw the Messiah of Old Testament promises.
17–18	27–28	Topical: Glory	Psalms 104; Romans 1:20–23	God’s glory is His chief purpose for Himself and His creation.
19	29–30	Review 3		Review concepts from lessons 14–18.

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20	31–32	Character: The King of the Jews	Matthew 2:1–12	God showed Jesus as King to wise men from the East.
21	33–34	Conflict: My Son, Out of Egypt	Matthew 2:13–23	God protected Jesus in conflict from King Herod.
22	35–36	Character: The Astonishing Student	Luke 2:41–52	Jesus fulfilled God’s purpose by growth through the Scriptures.
23	37–38	Review 4		Review concepts from lessons 20–22.
24		Test 2		Recall concepts and terms taught in lessons 14–23.

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25	41–42	Character: The “Mightier than I”	Luke 3:1–20	The baptism of John was a baptism of repentance.
26	43–44	Character: My Beloved Son	Matthew 3:13–17	Jesus fulfilled all righteousness on behalf of every person.
27	45–46	Conflict: If . . . the Son of God . . .	Matthew 4:1–11	God led Jesus to be tempted by Satan to prove His righteousness.
28	47–48	Theme: The Lamb of God	John 1:29–37	Jesus is God’s perfect Lamb to take away the sins of the world.
29	49–50	Review 5		Review concepts from lessons 25–28.
30	51–52	Character: The Miracle Worker	John 2:1–11	Jesus showed His creative power as the Son of God.
31	53–54	Theme: The Temple	John 2:12–25	Jesus is the temple of God.
32–33	55–56	Topical: Divine Presence	Colossians 1:27	God was with mankind in different ways but is in believers through Jesus.
34	57–58	Review 6		Review concepts from lessons 30–33.
35		Test 3		Recall concepts and terms taught in lessons 25–34.

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36	59–60	Conflict: The New Birth	John 3:1–21	Jesus explained the eternal life that He came to give to those who believe.
37	61–62	Theme: The Bridegroom	John 3:22–36	John, the friend of the bridegroom, introduces Jesus, the bridegroom.
38	63–64	Character: The Living Well	John 4:1–30	Jesus taught the woman that He is the source of living water and her salvation.
39	65–66	Character: The Sender of Reapers	John 4:30–42	The harvest of eternal fruit is ripe for disciples of Jesus to reap.
40	67–68	Review 7		Review concepts from lessons 36–39.
41	69–70	Conflict: The Rewarder of Faith	John 4:43–54	Jesus reproved the seeking of signs but rewarded faith.
42	71–72	Conflict: The Unaccepted Prophet	Luke 4:14–30; Isaiah 61:1–2	Jesus showed Himself as the Savior of captives but was rejected by His fellow townsmen.
43	73–74	Bible Tools: Text Labels and Study Helps		Many Bibles include information that helps us search and understand the Scriptures.
44	75–76	Review 8		Review concepts from lessons 41–43.
45		Test 4		Recall concepts and terms taught in lessons 36–44.

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46	79–80	Character: The Maker of Fishers of Men	Luke 5:1–11	Jesus called His followers to make them fishers of men.
47	81–82	Character: The Forgiver of Sins	Mark 2:1–12	Jesus forgave sins and proved He was God.
48	83–84	Character: The Spiritual Physician	Matthew 9:9–13	Jesus came to call sinners to salvation.
49	85–86	Character: God the Son	John 5:1–24	Jesus showed Himself to be equal with the Father.

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50	87–88	Review 9		Review concepts from lessons 46–49.
51	89–90	Conflict: The Lord of the Sabbath	Matthew 12:1–14	Jesus, the Lord of the Sabbath, commanded mercy on the Sabbath day.
52	91–92	Character: The Chooser of the Apostles	Luke 6:12–16	Jesus chose twelve disciples to be His apostles.
53–54	93–94	Topical: Law and Wisdom	Psalm 1	God created laws for man to flourish.
55	95–96	Review 10		Review concepts from lessons 51–54.
56		Test 5		Recall concepts and terms taught in lessons 46–55.
57–58	97–98	Theme: The Blessed Believer	Matthew 5:1–48	Right heart attitudes bring kingdom blessings to God’s people.
59	99–100	Theme: Teacher of Prayer	Matthew 6:1–18	Jesus taught believers to give, pray, and fast secretly for the Father’s reward.
60	101–2	Theme: Kingdom Seeker	Matthew 6:19–7:12	Jesus showed the right way to follow God’s Law.
61	103–4	Theme: The Narrow Gate	Matthew 7:13–29	Jesus showed the way into His kingdom and the way to be strong in our lives.
62	105–6	Review 11		Review concepts from lessons 57–61.
63	107–8	Theme: The Lord of Centurions	Matthew 8:5–13	People of all origins are part of God’s kingdom.
64	109–10	Theme: He that Should Come	Luke 7:18–35	Jesus explained John’s ministry as a bridge from the old to the new.
65	111–12	Character: The Forgiver	Luke 7:36–50	Jesus confronted Simon’s view of forgiveness.
66	113–14	Review 12		Review concepts from lessons 63–65.
67		Test 6		Recall concepts and terms taught in lessons 57–66.

Chapter 4: Conflict Magnified			Chapter Focus Jesus exercised the rule of God’s kingdom and identified Himself as God and the Christ.	
Lesson	Worktext	Title	Scripture Text	Lesson Focus
68	117–18	Conflict: The Spoiler	Matthew 12:22–23	Jesus demonstrated His power over Satan’s kingdom.
69	119–20	Theme: The Sower	Matthew 13:1–23	Jesus described various responses to the message of His kingdom.
70–71	121–22	Theme: The Treasure	Matthew 13:24–53	Jesus described the value of His kingdom to His disciples.
72–73	123–24	Topical: Kingdom	Genesis 1:26–28; Isaiah 9:6–7; Revelation 11:15	Jesus, as the perfect man, is restoring His kingdom.
74	125–26	Review 13		Review concepts from lessons 68–73.
75	127–28	Character: The Ruler of the Storm	Mark 4:35–41	Jesus showed His power over the storm and questioned the disciples’ lack of faith.
76	129–30	Conflict: The Son of God	Mark 5:1–20	Jesus showed His power over evil spirits.
77	131–32	Character: The Multiplier	John 6:1–15	Jesus proved Himself the good king who could provide for His disciples.
78	133–34	Review 14		Review concepts from lessons 75–77.
79		Test 7		Recall concepts and terms taught in lessons 68–78.
80	135–36	Character: The Encouraging Lord	Matthew 14:22–33	Jesus eliminates fear and doubt.
81	137–38	Character: The Christ	Matthew 16:13–20	Jesus affirmed His place as Christ and Head of the church.
82	139–40	Character: The Transfigured	Luke 9:28–36	Jesus showed Peter, James, and John His true glory.
83	141–42	Character: The I Am	John 8:21–59	Jesus stated that He is the I Am.
84	143–44	Review 15		Review concepts from lessons 80–83.
85	145–46	Conflict: The Resurrection and the Life	John 11:1–46	Jesus glorified the Father and Himself by raising Lazarus.
86	147–48	Theme: The Ministering King	Matthew 20:17–28	Jesus told His disciples of His coming betrayal, death, and resurrection as an example of kingdom leadership.
87–88	149–50	Topical: The Christ	Various	Jesus fulfilled the Messianic prophecies.

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89	151–52	Review 16		Review concepts from lessons 85–88.
90		Test 8		Recall concepts and terms taught in lessons 80–89.

Chapter 5: Conflict Climaxed			Chapter Focus Satan the destroyer bruised the heel of the Seed of the woman.	
Lesson	Worktext	Title	Scripture Text	Lesson Focus
91	155–56	Theme: The King	Matthew 21:1–11	Jesus accomplished His mission as Savior.
92	157–58	Theme: The New Testament (New Covenant)	Luke 22:14–20	Jesus showed His blood as the New Testament (Covenant).
93	159–60	Character: The <i>Paraclete</i>	John 14–16	Jesus promised the disciples another Comforter.
94	161–62	Bible Tools: Cross-References	Acts 17:10–12	Cross-references help you use the Bible to interpret the Bible.
95	163–64	Review 17		Review concepts from lessons 91–94.
96	165–66	Conflict: The Man of Sorrows	Matthew 26:30–46	Jesus agonized to His Father over His soon suffering for our sin.
97	167–68	Conflict: The Betrayed	Matthew 26:47–56	Jesus followed the plan of redemption in His arrest.
98	169–70	Conflict: The Accused	Mark 14:53–15:1	Jesus allowed the religious rulers to falsely accuse Him.
99	171–72	Review 18		Review concepts from lessons 96–98.
100		Test 9		Recall concepts and terms taught in lessons 91–99.
101	173–74	Climax: The Finisher	Luke 23:33–46	Jesus accomplished His mission as Savior.
102	175–76	Climax: The Way	Mark 15:37–41	Jesus is the Way into God’s presence.
103	177–78	Climax: The Buried One	Matthew 27:57–66	Jesus was buried.
104	179–80	Climax: The Risen Lord	John 20:1–18	Jesus defeated death and rose from the tomb.

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105	181–82	Review 19		Review concepts from lessons 101–4.
106–7	183–84	Topical: Atonement/Priesthood	Isaiah 53:3–10; Galatians 3:13; 1 John 2:1–5	Christ offered Himself in our place that we might receive the forgiveness of sins.
108	185–86	Resolution: The Stranger	Luke 24:13–36; John 20:19–31	Jesus revealed His resurrection to the disciples and explained it from the Scriptures.
109–10	187–88	Character: The Sender of the Disciples	Matthew 28:16–20	Jesus commanded His disciples to make more disciples.
111	189–90	Review 20		Review concepts from lessons 106–10.
112		Test 10		Recall concepts and terms taught in lessons 101–11.

Chapter 6: New Conflict			Chapter Focus Christ’s Spirit-empowered church endured trials and spread to all peoples throughout the world.	
Lesson	Worktext	Title	Scripture Text	Lesson Focus
113–14	193–94	Topical: The Fullness of Time	Galatians 4:4; Ephesians 1:10	The gospel of Jesus Christ fulfills all of the Old Covenant and begins the New Covenant.
115	195–96	Theme: The Empowered Witnesses	Acts 1:1–14	Jesus identifies His strategy for the kingdom growth.
116–17	197–98	Character: The Beginning of the Church	Acts 2:1–47	Jesus established His church by pouring out the Holy Spirit.
118	199–200	Character: The Rebuking Church	Acts 3	Peter rebuked the Jews for rejecting Jesus and called them to repentance.
119	201–2	Review 21		Review concepts from lessons 113–18.
120	203–4	Conflict: The Questioned Church	Acts 4:1–31	Peter proclaimed the intent of the church to preach Jesus.
121	205–6	Conflict: The Fearing Church	Acts 4:32–5:11	Church members who lied to the Holy Spirit died.

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122	207–8	Conflict: The Imprisoned Church	Acts 5:12–42	The intent of the church is to obey God and preach Jesus.
123	209–10	Review 22		Review concepts from lessons 120–22.
124		Test 11		Recall concepts and terms taught in lessons 113–23.
125	211–12	Conflict: The Needy Church	Acts 6:1–7	The church commissioned seven deacons to serve the church.
126	213–14	Conflict: The Persecuted Church	Acts 6:8–7:60	Stephen became the first person to die for preaching Christ.
127	215–16	Character: The Going Church	Acts 8:1–8	Philip preached in Samaria and saw many people believe in Jesus.
128	217–18	Character: The Guided Church	Acts 8:26–40	Philip sent the gospel to Africa through the Ethiopian by God's leading.
129	219–20	Review 23		Review concepts from lessons 125–28.
130	221–22	Conflict: The Expanding Church	Acts 10:9–24	God taught Peter to accept the possibility of faith among the Gentiles.
131–32	223–24	Conflict: The Divided Church	Acts 10:34–11:18	Peter led Cornelius to faith in Christ and defended this to the church in Jerusalem.
133	225–26	Bible Tools: Glossary, Dictionary, Concordance	Matthew 4:4	Glossaries, indexes, and concordances help readers understand words that are difficult or unfamiliar to them.
134	227–28	Review 24		Review concepts from lessons 130–33.
135		Test 12		Recall concepts and terms taught in lessons 125–34.

Chapter 7: Expanded Conflict			Chapter Focus The Holy Spirit worked through Paul, the missionary to the Gentiles, to take the gospel to the farthest places of the earth.	
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136	231–32	Character: The Converted Persecutor	Acts 9:1–31	Jesus saved Paul out of persecuting His church.

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Lesson	Worktext	Title	Scripture Text	Lesson Focus
137	233–34	Character: The Commissioned Missionary	Acts 11:19–26; 13:1–12	The Holy Spirit commissioned and sent out the first missionaries, Paul and Barnabas.
138	235–36	Character: The Preaching Missionary	Acts 13:13–52	Paul confronted the Jews with Jesus as God’s Messiah, the Savior.
139	237–38	Conflict: The Disputing Missionary	Acts 15:1–35	Peter and Paul defended salvation by grace alone before the council at Jerusalem.
140	239–40	Review 25		Review concepts from lessons 136–39.
141	241–42	Character: The Singing Missionary	Acts 16:16–34	The testimony of Paul and Silas while in prison helped bring the Philippian jailer to faith in Christ.
142	243–44	Character: The Perceptive Missionary	Acts 17:16–34	Paul pointed the worshipers of many gods to the one true Creator God.
143	245–46	Bible Tools: Digital Bibles	John 5:39	Digital Bibles combine multiple tools for efficient Bible study.
144	247–48	Review 26		Review concepts from lessons 141–43.
145		Test 13		Recall concepts and terms taught in lessons 136–44.
146	249–50	Character: The Tentmaking Missionary	Acts 18:1–17	Paul taught the Word of God despite difficult circumstances.
147	251–52	Conflict: The Disrupting Missionary	Acts 19:18–41	God used Paul’s preaching to bring great change in Ephesus.
148	253–54	Conflict: The Accused Missionary	Acts 21:17–22:24	Paul was accused of bringing Gentiles into the temple and was almost killed.
149–50	255–56	Conflict: The Testifying Missionary	Acts 23:12–24; 24:10–22; 25:6–11; 26:1–32	Paul escaped to Caesarea and testified before the officials of Jesus’ resurrection.
151	257–58	Review 27		Review concepts from lessons 146–50.
152	259–60	Conflict: The Reassuring Missionary	Acts 27–28:16	Paul reassured the passengers of his doomed ship with God’s promise to him.
153	261–62	Conflict: The Preaching Missionary	Acts 28:17–31	Paul spoke of Jesus as Messiah to the Jews and reproached them for their hard hearts and their closed ears.

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154	263–64	Bible Tools: Devotional Journaling	Joshua 1:8; Psalm 119:1–16; 1 Timothy 4:12	Devotional journaling can help us meditate on God’s Word.
155	265–66	Review 28		Review concepts from lessons 152–54.
156		Test 14		Recall concepts and terms taught in lessons 146–55.

Chapter 8: The Final Climax			Chapter Focus Christ the King and His body the church overcome Satan and the world’s opposition to spread the gospel now and rule on the new earth for eternity.	
Lesson	Worktext	Title	Scripture Text	Lesson Focus
157–58	269–70	Story: Christ the Justifier	Romans 1–11	God justifies believing sinners.
159	271–72	Character: The Transformed Life	Romans 12–16	Paul taught how justified and sanctified believers should live.
160	273–74	Story: Christ the King	Ephesians 1–3	Christ triumphed and made the church His body and temple.
161	275–76	Character: The Body of Christ	Ephesians 4–6	Believers should live the new life in Christ.
162	277–78	Review 29		Review concepts from lessons 157–61.
163–64	279–80	Story: Christ the High Priest	Hebrews 1:1–10:18	The New Covenant in Christ replaced the Mosaic Covenant.
165	281–82	Character: Faithful Endurance	Hebrews 10:19–13:25	Believers can walk in enduring faith in Jesus Christ.
166–67	283–84	Topical: The Covenants of God	Hebrews 13:20	God has interacted with man through various covenants.
168	285–86	Review 30		Review concepts from lessons 163–67.
169		Test 15		Recall concepts and terms taught in lessons 157–68.

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170	287–88	Character: The Warned Church	Revelation 1–3	Jesus told the church's story with encouragements and rebukes for their condition.
171–72	289–90	Character: The Worthy Lamb	Revelation 4–5	Jesus is the atoning and ruling Lamb of God.
173	291–92	Conflict: The Seven Seals	Revelation 6–11	Jesus revealed to John the future story of God's judgment on the unbelieving nations.
174	293–94	Conflict: Babylon	Revelation 12–18	Jesus showed John the future story of the continuing conflict between the world and heaven.
175	295–96	Review 31		Review concepts from lessons 170–74.
176	297–98	Theme: King of Kings	Revelation 19, 20	Jesus showed John the future story of His return to end the conflict between the world and heaven and to judge the unbelieving world.
177	299–300	Resolution: The Eternal State	Revelation 21, 22	Jesus will live with believers in the new Jerusalem.
178	301–2	Bible Tools: Bible Marking	2 Timothy 2:15	Bible marking can create visual outlines in the Bible.
179	303–4	Review 32		Review concepts from lessons 176–78.
180		Test 16		Recall concepts and terms taught in lessons 170–79.