**Week Two Bible Basics: Night at the Museum**

Bottom Line: The Bible has a map to help us find the stories of God.

Location: Floor 3 (Nazareth)

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Fully Animated Part

(Start with a “Previously On…” 30 second recap that highlights the important moments from episode 1)

(screen goes black after recap… elevator “ding” sound effect… elevator doors open, and two hosts walk out)

(walk and talk)

**Alyssa:** Ok, I think we lost her!

**Cael:** Phew that was close! We need to keep our eyes peeled for that night guard. Who knows what she’d do to us if she… (turns corner and stops mid-sentence, out of surprise)… Where in the world are we??

(wider shot revealing that they are in the walk-through Nazareth… a couple cool establishing shots to show how amazing the space is)

**Alyssa:** I’ve heard about this exhibit! It’s even more amazing than I expected!

**Cael:** It’s like we’re actually walking in Bible times! This is so cool! What floor are we on?

**Alyssa:** Fifth! Wait no… Third? Oh man, I forget. It’s crazy how easy it is to get lost in here. If only we had something to help us keep track of where we are and where we’re going.

(pan-out and reveal that Cael is holding a map)

**Cael:** Yeah, that really would be great. Oh well…

**Alyssa:** ummm Cael, You think that map you’re holding could help us out at all? (sarcastic)

**Cael:** Oh! Hey! This Map right here can show us where to go! (oblivious)You are so smart, Alyssa.

(Alyssa takes map and examines it)

**Alyssa:** See! I knew it! We are on the third floor! Let’s keep exploring!

(start to walk together through the Nazareth exhibit)

**Cael:** This is just so cool! You can really get an idea of what it looked like to live during Bible times. Their houses, their shops… I bet it would have been even easier to get lost during Bible times, since there was no GPS or Siri to help. I wonder if they had maps back then or maybe…

(as Cael is talking, they walk past the “sea of galilee” mural. And hear a voice coming from the mural)

Joshua: Siri would have been pretty helpful when we were wandering in the wilderness.

Alyssa: Woah! Did you hear that?

**Cael:** Yeah! (turns to talk toward the mural) Who’s there??

(as comic host it talking, they start to walk toward the mural and slowly extends hand out. Cut to animated hand reaching into the animated world, and suddenly Patrons are in the fully-animated world)

Alyssa: (looking at arms and body) It happened again!

**Joshua:** Hi there! I’m Joshua!

**Cael:** Like Joshua, from the Bible? Moses’ friend, Joshua?

**Joshua:** You bet! Hey, I overheard you talking about getting lost, and asking about what it must have been like for us! I know a thing or two about that. I once got lost with Moses for a LONG time.

Alyssa: I remember reading about that in the Bible! Didn't it take you and the Israelites 40 years to find the promised land? It sounds like you had no idea where you were going.

Cael: Hey, kind of like us!

Joshua: It did take us 40 years, but it wasn’t because we didn’t have a map. It was because we didn’t trust God and his plan. That’s how we learned the truth that, even when we feel lost, God has a plan!

Cael: I totally understand! I feel lost most of the time. I’m not great with directions.

Alyssa: I think Joshua is talking more about being lost in life. Sometimes life gets hard, and we don’t know what to do or who to go to. But… how does the Bible help us when we are lost?

Joshua: I’m glad you asked! You see, Everything in this Museum teaches us something new about the Bible, but the Bible itself is kind of like a museum. In a museum, each floor includes different Exhibits. An exhibit is a collection of Items or art that tell a story. Just like a museum, the Bible has 66 “exhibits”, or books, that tell the story of God and what He has done for us. Each book of the bible has different stories and themes. To navigate a museum, you need a map to tell you where to go. To navigate the Bible, you also need help.

Lucky for us, the Bible also has a map called the Table of contents. It is there to help us find the stories of God.  In the table of contents, you can find the exact book of the Bible you want to read from and where it is in the Bible.

Let me show you! Let's look up one of my favorite verses, Joshua 1:9. It’s actually one that I wrote myself! First, you will find the book of Joshua in the table of contents and see what page the book starts on….

*(Animated bible next to Joshua that will highlight the book of Joshua in the table of contents and flip to the page number it says. The can us The Adventure Bible (NirV) for reference)*

Joshua: Once you’ve flipped to the page number of the book you are looking for, you will look for the Chapter number. The chapter number for Joshua 1:9 is 1, and it will be the big number in the top corner of the page. Next, is the verse number which, in this case, is 9. You will look for the little nine within the words on the page. (Alyssa name) can you read the verse out loud for us?

Alyssa: Sure! Joshua 1:9 says, “Here is what I am commanding you to do. Be strong and brave. Do not be afraid. Do not lose hope. I am the Lord your God. I will be with you everywhere you go.”

Joshua: Yes, that's it! Reading this verse still encourages me, to this day, when I feel lost or worried about something.

Cael: Oh! I want to try and look up our monthly memory verse, Hebrews 4:12!

First I will go to the table of contents to see where Hebrews is…there! It’s in the new Testament. Then, I will look for the chapter number (the big 4) and then look for verse 12. This verse says; **“The word of God is alive and active. It is sharper than any sword that has two edges. It cuts deep enough to separate soul from spirit. It can separate bones from joints. It judges the thoughts and purposes of the heart.”**

Joshua: You did great! Boy do you learn fast! That is a great memory verse to learn. It helps us remember that the words written in the Bible are from God as a way to teach us and grow us in life. Without God’s help, the Israelites and I would have never made it out of that desert!

(Transition out of the mural and back to the Nazareth set, in front of the Mural)

Alyssa: (turns back, talking to the mural) Thanks for teaching us how to navigate the Bible! I love our bottom line for today: The Bible has a map to help us find the stories of God.

Cael: And thank goodness! Like I said, I get lost A LOT! I’m sure it won’t be much different with the Bible.

(voice of night guard in that distance)

Night Guard: Hey! Who’s in there? (Video from behind of nightguard, shining flashlight into the Nazareth exhibit)

(Camera cuts back to a close-up of the two hosts looking at each other, panicked)

Cael: Oh no! Not the night guard again! Okay, now that we know how to use the map in the Bible, maybe we can figure out how to us this museum map??

Alyssa: I don’t think we have time to figure that out right now! Let’s get out of here!

(Both hosts run off screen, as nightguard footsteps are approaching)