



DWELL Flex Scope and Sequence

Dwell Flex is a new multi-age edition of *Dwell* designed to work with a variety of ages and contexts. We have released the first two years of this four-year curriculum. Each year includes 36 sessions arranged into six units, alternating between New Testament and Old Testament years. They are arranged in rough chronological order, but these stand-alone sessions can easily be rearranged in any order you wish.

The chart below shows the stories covered in the first two years of *Dwell* Flex. An interactive version of this Scope and Sequence, including an overview of each session, is available at DwellCurriculum.org.

Year 1

Session	Summary	Bible Passage
Unit 1		
1. The Birth of John the Baptist	God surprised Zechariah and Elizabeth with the promise of a special baby.	Luke 1:5-25, 57-60, 80
2. The Angel's Message to Mary	God surprised Mary with the promise of a baby—Jesus, the Messiah.	Luke 1:26-56
3. Jesus Is Born!	God surprised the world with the birth of the Savior.	Luke 2:1-20
4. Simeon and Anna	Simeon and Anna gladly welcomed the Savior.	Luke 2:21-40
5. Jesus in the Temple	We worship Jesus because he is God's own Son.	Luke 2:41-52
6. Jesus Is Baptized	We worship Jesus, whose baptism shows he is God's own Son.	Luke 3:1-22, Matthew 3:1-17
Unit 2		
1. Jesus Calls Peter	Jesus called Peter to follow him; he calls us to be his followers too.	Luke 5:1-11
2. Jesus Calls Matthew	Jesus calls even sinners like Matthew to follow him.	Luke 5:27-32
3. Jesus Turns Water into Wine	Jesus' power to do miracles shows that he is God's Son.	John 2:1-11
4. Jesus Calms the Storm	Jesus' power over the storm shows he is God's Son.	Mark 4:35-41

5. Jesus Feeds a Great Crowd	Jesus cares for hungry people.	John 6:1-13
6. Jesus Heals a Little Girl	Jesus' power over death shows he is God's Son.	Mark 5:21-24; 35-43
Unit 3		
1. Jesus Heals a Sick Boy	Jesus cares for sick people.	John 4:46-54
2. Jesus Heals a Man Who Couldn't Walk	Jesus wants us to have faith in him—to trust him for everything.	Luke 5:17-26
3. Jesus and a Thankful Man	We want to thank Jesus for every good thing he has given us.	Luke 17:11-19
4. Jesus Heals a Man Who Couldn't See	Jesus healed a man who couldn't see, and the man praised God.	Mark 10:46-52
5. Jesus Blesses the Children	Jesus cares about children; they're an important part of the church and God's kingdom.	Mark 10:13-16
6. Jesus and Zacchaeus	Listening to Jesus means living for him.	Luke 19:1-10
Unit 4		
1. Jesus and Two Sisters	Listening to Jesus is the most important and exciting part of belonging to him.	Luke 10: 38-42
2. Jesus Raises Lazarus to Life	Jesus cares about people who are sad.	John 11:1-45
3. The Footwashing	Jesus chose to humbly serve his people; he tells us to serve too.	John 13:1-17
4. A Sad Night	Although his friends left him, Jesus chose to face arrest and trial.	Matthew 26:36-56
5. Jesus Is Denied by Peter	Jesus loves us so much that he allowed his enemies to hurt him and his friend to say he didn't know him.	Matthew 26:57-75
6. Jesus Died/Jesus Lives!	Jesus' resurrection changes fear and sadness to great joy and wonder.	Matthew 27:27-66; 28:1-10
Unit 5		
1. On the Road to Emmaus	After his resurrection, Jesus surprised two followers on the road to Emmaus.	Luke 24:13-49
2. Thomas, the Doubter	Even though we can't see Jesus, we believe he is alive today.	John 20:24-31

3. Feed My Sheep	Even when we disappoint Jesus, he still loves us, forgives us, and gives us important things to do.	John 21:1-17
4. Jesus Goes Back to Heaven	Our risen Lord Jesus ascended to heaven and he is still with us today.	Matthew 28:16-20; Acts 1:1-11
5. Pentecost	At Pentecost, the Holy Spirit filled Jesus' disciples with power.	Acts 2
6. A Man Jumps for Joy	The Holy Spirit gave the apostles power to heal in Jesus' name.	Acts 3:1-16
Unit 6		
1. Peter and Tabitha	When Jesus makes Tabitha alive again, many people believe in him.	Acts 9:36-43
2. Peter Is Rescued	Peter's friends pray, and Jesus helps Peter escape from prison.	Acts 12:1-19
3. Jesus Changes Paul	Jesus changed Paul from an enemy to a friend.	Acts 9:1-19
4. Paul and Silas in Jail	Paul helped the jailer believe in Jesus.	Acts 16:11-40
5. Shipwreck!	Paul trusted Jesus to care for him and everyone on the ship through the storm.	Acts 27
6. Malta	Jesus protected Paul and used him to heal many people.	Acts 28:1-10

Year 2

Session	Summary	Bible Passage
Unit 1		
1. Creation: Skies and Seas, Plants and Trees	In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth (days 1-4).	Genesis 1:1-19
2. Creation: Owls and Octopuses, Panthers and People	In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth (days 5-7).	Genesis 1:20-2:3
3. Creation: Taking Care of God's World	God created people special and gave them the world to care for.	Genesis 2:4-25

4. Sin Spoils God's World	God's perfect creation was spoiled when Adam and Eve disobeyed.	Genesis 3
5. Rain and Rainbows	God destroyed the sinful world, but saved Noah and his family.	Genesis 6:5-9:17
6. Abraham and Sarah Believe God's Promises	Abraham and Sarah believed God's promises and moved to a new land, as God had told them to do.	Genesis 11:31-12:9
Unit 2		
1. God's Promise Comes True	God's promise to Abraham and Sarah came true when Isaac was born.	Genesis 15:1-6; 18:1-15; 21:1-7
2. Isaac and Rebekah	God continued to keep the promises made to Abraham by providing a wife for Isaac.	Genesis 24
3. Jacob Steals the Blessing	God was faithful to Jacob even though Jacob lied to his father and stole the blessing.	Genesis 27; 28:15
4. God Blesses Jacob	God was faithful to Jacob and blessed him with a family and flocks.	Genesis 29:1-30; 30:25-30
5. Joseph the Dreamer	When Joseph was frightened and alone, God was with him.	Genesis 37; 39:1-2
6. Joseph the Ruler	God used Joseph to save Jacob's family and to feed a troubled part of the world.	Genesis 41:46-46:34
Unit 3		
Christmas: Shepherds and Angels	Angels and shepherds praised God for sending Jesus, the promised Savior.	Luke 2:8-20
1. The Birth of Moses	God saved baby Moses from wicked Pharaoh.	Exodus 1:8-12, 22; 2:1-10
2. The Burning Bush	God called Moses to lead the Hebrew people out of slavery in Egypt.	Exodus 2:11-4:17
3. The Ten Plagues	Our powerful God changed Pharaoh's mind by sending ten plagues.	Exodus 7-12

4. The Exodus	God set the people of Israel free.	Exodus 12-14
5. Manna and Quail	God provided for the Israelites' daily needs.	Exodus 16
Unit 4		
1. Exploring the Promised Land	The people of Israel forgot to trust God's promise to bring them safely to Canaan.	Numbers 13-14
2. Rahab and the Spies	God used Rahab to help keep the spies safe.	Joshua 2
3. The Fall of Jericho	God fought for Israel and gave the people victory over Jericho.	Joshua 5:13-Joshua 6
4. Ruth (The Choice)	We are to love God and show kindness to others, as Ruth did.	Ruth 1:1-18
5. Ruth (Blessings)	God was good to Ruth; God is good to us.	Ruth 1:19 - Ruth 4
6. Hannah Prays to God	God heard and answered Hannah's prayer.	1 Samuel 1:1-2:10
Unit 5		
Easter: He Is Risen	God raised Jesus from the dead.	John 20
1. Samuel Listens	God spoke to Samuel, who listened and obeyed.	1 Samuel 3
2. Saul	God told Samuel to anoint Saul as king over God's people.	1 Samuel 8-10
3. David	God chose David, the shepherd boy, to be Israel's next king.	1 Samuel 16
4. David and Goliath	David trusted God to save him from Goliath.	1 Samuel 17

5. Solomon the Wise	Solomon prayed for wisdom, and God answered his request.	1 Kings 3; 4:29-34
Unit 6		
1. Elijah at Mount Carmel	The people are reminded in a powerful way that God is the one true God.	1 Kings 18
2. Jonah Disobeys God	God is unhappy when people do not obey.	Jonah 1-2
3. God Forgives Nineveh	God wanted Jonah and the people of Nineveh to be sorry for disobeying and to obey.	Jonah 3-4
4. God Saves Three Obedient Friends	Three friends faced great danger to obey God, and God saved them.	Daniel 3
5. A Proud King	Proud Nebuchadnezzar learned that no king or ruler is greater or more powerful than God.	Daniel 4
6. Daniel and the Lions	Although Daniel faced great danger, he obeyed God and God saved him.	Daniel 6

Year 3

Session	Summary	Bible Passage
Unit 1		
1. Jesus Is Tempted	We worship Jesus, our Savior, who obeyed God and said no to Satan's temptations.	Luke 4:1-13
2. A Man Who Can't Walk Learns about Jesus	A man who can't walk learns that Jesus is able to make us well.	Luke 5:17-26
3. Jesus Heals the Centurion's Servant	Jesus wants us to trust him to heal our sickness.	Luke 7:1-10
4. Jesus Brings a Son Back to Life	Jesus made a widow's son alive again and people praised God.	Luke 7:11-17
5. Jesus Heals a Sick Woman	Jesus is pleased when we show our faith in him.	Luke 8:42b-48

6. The Sower	The kingdom grows when God's Word takes root in people's lives.	Mark 4:1–20
Unit 2		
1. The Good Samaritan	Jesus teaches us to care about each other.	Luke 10:25–37
2. The Lost Sheep	Jesus is the good shepherd who loves us and cares for us.	Luke 15:1–7
3. The Lost Son	God is the loving Father who welcomes his lost children home.	Luke 15:11–32
4. The Great Banquet	God brings all sorts of people into the kingdom. We don't earn our way into God's kingdom; entry is a gift from God.	Luke 14:15–24
5. The Rich Fool	Jesus reminds us not to be greedy and to live for God rather than for things.	Luke 12:13–21
6. The Pharisee and the Tax Collector	Jesus teaches us to humbly ask God to forgive us and not to think we are better than others.	Luke 18:9–14
Unit 3		
Christmas: Magi Worship Jesus	When Jesus was born, the Magi came and worshiped him.	Matthew 2:1–12
1. The Ten Bridesmaids	Jesus reminds us to be ready for the day when he will return to judge the world.	Matthew 25:1–13
2. Jesus Calms a Storm	Jesus cares for frightened people.	Matthew 8:23–27
3. Jesus Walks on Water	Peter learned to trust Jesus; Jesus wants us to trust him too.	Matthew 14:22–33
4. Jesus Feeds Four Thousand People	Jesus has compassion for hungry people.	Matthew 15:29–39
5. The Great Parade	Like the crowd on Palm Sunday, we welcome Jesus our King.	Matthew 21:1–11

Unit 4

1. The Last Supper	On the night before he was crucified, Jesus gave his disciples bread and wine to let them know that he loved and forgave them.	Matthew 26:17–30
2. Jesus Dies	Jesus died for us.	John 18–19
3. He is Risen	Jesus is alive again and will always be with us.	John 20
4. A Mountaintop Goodbye	When Jesus ascended into heaven, he gave his people work to do and promised to always be with them.	Matthew 28:16–20; Acts 1:4–11
5. Pentecost	On Pentecost Jesus kept his promise and sent his Spirit to be with his people always.	Acts 2:1–41
6. The Community of Believers (Ananias and Sapphira)	Members of the Christian community should be honest, sincere, and truthful and should not be concerned with being number one in the community.	Acts 4:32–5:16

Unit 5

1. Stephen's Story	God gave Stephen the courage he needed to stand up for his faith.	Acts 6; 7:51–8:3
2. Philip and the Man from Ethiopia	The Holy Spirit helped Jesus' followers bring the good news to all people.	Acts 8:26–39
3. Jesus Changed Paul	Jesus changed Paul from an enemy to a friend.	Acts 9:1–19
4. Jesus Kept Paul Safe	Jesus kept Paul safe so he could tell others about Jesus.	Acts 9:20–31
5. Peter's Vision	All people are invited to be part of God's family.	Acts 10
6. Lystra	Paul and Barnabas learn that telling others about Jesus can be difficult and dangerous.	Acts 14:8–20

Unit 6		
1. Lydia	The Holy Spirit opens our hearts so we believe.	Acts 16:1–15, 40
2. Paul and Silas in Jail	Paul and Silas preached the good news about Jesus and brought salvation to two families.	Acts 16:16-40
3. Riot in Ephesus	Against strong opposition, Paul established the church in Ephesus.	Acts 19:8–41
4. Jesus Helped Paul Escape	Jesus used Paul’s nephew to help Paul escape.	Acts 23
5. Shipwreck and Malta	God saved Paul and all the people with him from being destroyed in a terrible storm.	Acts 27:1–28:10
6. Rome	The Holy Spirit helped Paul to reach Rome and tell the good news about Jesus there.	Acts 28:11–31

Year 4

Year 4 will be released through the summer and fall of 2023 and will contain stories from the Old Testament.