

# JOURNEY™

Welcome to AWANA Journey at Calvary Chapel of Sacramento. Journey® establishes high school students as lifelong disciples through a deep study of God's Word, mobilizing them to live with godly perspective and evident faith. Four complete years' worth of material supports 9th-12th grade high school ministry.

Journey is a multi-year high school ministry curriculum, with 4 main stand-alone studies, that has been recently revamped by AWANA.

- Book 1: Disciples
- Book 2: **Advocates** - this is the Bible Study we'll be doing this year
- Book 3: Witnesses
- Book 4: Leaders (*still in development*)

There are 32 weeks of lessons, with 8 units comprised of 4 lessons each. Each lesson is broken up into seven days of study. With the exception of day seven, which would be their group meeting, each day is designed to take about 15 minutes to complete depending on the student. There are no review weeks like there were with Trek for middle school. Each lesson has a student video component that is accessed via the internet. This is the only portion of the study which requires internet access.

One of the requirements for a Journey student is to read the Old Testament books of the Bible. AWANA has divided the Old Testament into four fairly equal groupings of books. Students will find the list of the year's required books in the Bible Studies on page 194. In order for a leader to initial, a student will need to have read the book of the Bible, completed the summary, and recited the verse. They should be prepared to discuss the book. Here is [a link to overviews of the OT books](#).

Journey is not self-paced; we will go over one lesson a week with students. The thoughtful consideration and group discussion of the devotionals is the heart of our time together. I encourage the young adults to do these daily, and not save the seven devotionals all for one day. Our goal is to make seven-day a week disciples of Jesus Christ.

## **Requirements for a leader to sign off on one lesson of Journey:**

- Intro Experience
- Watch the video and memorize the Core Verse  
*The verses in the study book are in the ESV translation, but students are encouraged to memorize directly out of their personal Bibles, whatever translation that may be*
- Read the Core Content lesson, and complete the Exploration, Action Plan, and Notes.
- Plus, stay on track reading 12 books of the Old Testament & give written summary on each, plus know the key verse and be prepared to discuss the book.

[A free downloadable Parent's Guide](#) is available to help bridge parents with their Student's study material, encouraging spiritual conversations at home.

Students are expected to bring their personal physical Bible to group - not an app on a phone.

<b>Lesson Title</b>	<b>Core Scripture</b>	<b>Core Thought</b>
<b>Unit 1</b>		
1.1- Apologetics	1 Peter 3:15-16	Christians need to be ready to share the reasons for their beliefs.
1.2- Faith	John 20:30-31	Understanding biblical faith enables me to relate to God more deeply and accurately.
1.3- Truth	John 3:21	Knowing and following truth leads to genuine freedom.
1.4- Logic	Ephesians 4:14-15	Mature faith requires clear and logical thinking
<b>Unit 2</b>		
2.1- Worldviews	Romans 12:2	Worldviews address the foundational, life-shaping questions about reality.
2.2- Naturalism	Ecclesiastes 12:13-14	Naturalism is the worldview that the physical universe alone exists, with no supernatural influences.
2.3- Pantheism	Acts 17:24-25	Pantheism is the worldview that everything is divine with no Creator distinct from creation.
2.4- Monotheism	Romans 1:20	Monotheism is the worldview that one, personal God created everything.
<b>Unit 3</b>		
3.1- Science	Psalms 119:89-91	Science does not contradict faith, but lays a crucial foundation for understanding the world.
3.2- Universe	Psalms 8:3-4	The fine tuning of the laws that govern the universe are best explained as the product of Intelligent Design.
3.3- DNA	Psalms 139:13-14	The information in DNA is best explained as the product of Intelligent Design.
3.4- Designer	Psalms 19:1-2	The complex patterns of the universe are best explained as the work of an intelligent designer.

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<b>Unit 4</b>		
4.1- Morality	Romans 2:14-15	Objective morality points to a moral law giver.
4.2- Beauty	Isaiah 33:17	Objective beauty points to a divine artist.
4.3- Agency	Matthew 7:24-25	Human agency points to a supreme agent.
4.4- Story	Psalms 78:2-4	Human storytelling points to a creative author.
<b>Unit 5</b>		
5.1- Miracles	Psalms 77:13-14	Miracles are both possible and verifiable.
5.2- Resurrection	1 Corinthians 15:5-7	The resurrection of Jesus is a historically corroborated event supported by numerous and early sources.
5.3- Deity	John 10:30-33	Jesus uniquely claimed to be God and provided compelling evidence.
5.4- Apostles	Acts 4:18-20	The Apostles' willingness to suffer and die shows the depth and sincerity of their testimony.
<b>Unit 6</b>		
6.1- Texts	2 Timothy 2:2	Numerous and early manuscripts help establish the reliable transmission of the New Testament.
6.2- Archaeology	Luke 3:1-2	The archaeological record helps establish the historicity of Scripture.
6.3- Prophecy	Isaiah 53:5	Fulfilled prophecy helps establish the divine nature of Scripture.
6.4- Authority	Matthew 4:4	The Scriptures serve as the ultimate and authoritative source for life and faith.

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<b>Unit 7</b>		
7.1- Evil	Genesis 18:25	Properly understood, evil implies an objective standard grounded in the character of God.
7.2- Falsehood	James 1:13	There is no logical contradiction between the character of God and the existence of evil.
7.3- Suffering	Genesis 50:20	God participates in our suffering, using it to direct the course of human history.
7.4- Hell	Luke 13:23-30, Mark 9:42-48, Matthew 22:1-14	Hell is the tragic consequence of human rejection of God's free gift of salvation.
<b>Unit 8</b>		
8.1- Love	Luke 10:36-37	True love is being totally committed to the betterment of another person even when difficult.
8.2- Questions	Proverbs 20:5	Good questions open the door for meaningful spiritual conversations.
8.3- Doubt	Matthew 11:4-5	Doubt can serve as an opportunity to discover truth more deeply and trust God more fully.
8.4- Challenges	Colossians 4:5-6	God calls us to lovingly speak the truth that transforms lives.