

## The Story of the Bible: Understanding the Big Picture of the Bible

Even though the Bible has 40 human authors, it ultimately has \_\_\_\_\_ divine author.  
Even though the Bible has 66 books, it ultimately has \_\_\_\_\_ story.

### The Bible in 8 Acts (See Big Picture Map)

#### How to Describe The Bible in 5 words

The Old Testament = \_\_\_\_\_

The New Testament = \_\_\_\_\_

The "Spine" = \_\_\_\_\_

"For no matter how many promises God has made, they are " \_\_\_\_\_ " in Christ."  
(2 Corinthians 1:20)



#### If the Bible were a Puzzle...

If all the different stories, promises, prophecies, etc. of the Bible were different puzzle pieces, what would the picture look like when you put all the pieces together?

Let's put it another way, what kind of book is the Bible? It is like a \_\_\_\_\_

#### Jesus warned that you could be an expert in the Bible and miss the whole point.

"You study the Scriptures diligently because you think that in them you have eternal life. These are the very Scriptures that testify about me, yet you refuse to come to me to have life"(John 5:39). "If you believed Moses, you would believe me, for he wrote about me"(John 5:46).

"Even to this day when Moses is read, a veil covers their hearts. But whenever anyone turns to the Lord, the veil is taken away." --Paul (2 Corinthians 3:15-16)

#### Jesus said that finding \_\_\_\_\_ in scripture was the key to understanding the real storyline.

"And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he explained to them what was said in all the Scriptures concerning himself"(Luke 24:27). "This is what I told you while I was still with you: Everything must be fulfilled that is written about me in the Law of Moses, the Prophets and the Psalms." Then he opened their minds so they could understand the Scriptures -- (Luke 24:44-45).

"Tell me, please, who is the prophet talking about, himself or someone else?" Then Philip began with that very passage of Scripture and told him the good news about Jesus. -- (Acts 8:34-35)