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GOD'S WORD
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AN OVERVIEW OF
THE BIBLE

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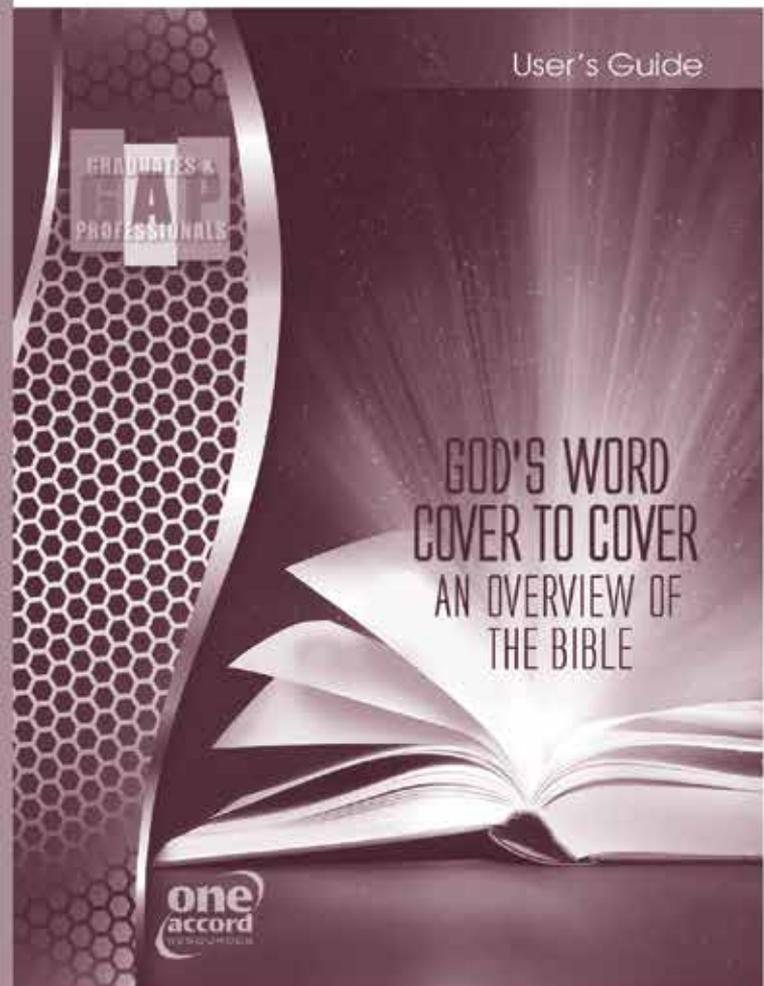
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UGH, CHANGE—it can be an ugly word, but for us it has been anything but. The staff here at One Accord Resources has been undergoing some changes as of late. This means some of the curriculum may undergo changes, as well. You've probably noticed that we've recently added Faith Café in place of our previous Young Adult curriculum, and more changes are on the way.

And it's now time to introduce another change, or at least, a new addition. We would like to introduce you to our new GAP Forum. Those of you who are familiar with the ways of the Internet are probably familiar with a forum. This is a website where people can come and post ideas, thoughts, questions, or anything at all. Others can then respond to the topic postings, and what ensues is a very interesting poster board of various opinions and views. It's a brilliant idea, really.

The One Accord staff will regularly post topics that coincide with certain lessons, and all involved with the forum can gain insight from others around the country. It's like having a Bible study with a global perspective, and it will be right at your fingertips. On top of our regular lesson-related postings, you will be able to post your own topics for discussion, as well. And it's wide open. You can discuss your day at work, a recent sports game, or the weather. It's YOUR forum, not ours. It's a service we'd like to offer to connect you with other One Accord users and Christians of like faith and beliefs.

On the next few pages you'll see more information on the GAP Forum. A how-to Guide is included on the next page. So, go ahead and check it out. And remember, change is good, change is friendly, and change is inevitable. 😊

Happy Posting!

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History Is God's Story

(Genesis)

Life Focus

God the Creator is Lord of all history.

Bible Focus

Genesis 1:1–31; 3:1–24; 6:1 through 9:29; 12:1–8; 46:1–7; 49:8–10

Key Verse Revelation 4:11

“You are worthy, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honor and power, for you created all things, and by your will they were created and have their being” (NIV).

“Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honour and power: for thou hast created all things, and for thy pleasure they are and were created” (KJV).

1 Creation versus Science

The French Mathematician, Lecompte de Nouy, examined the laws of probability for a single molecule of high dissymmetry to be formed by the action of chance. De Nouy found that, on an average, the time needed to form one such molecule of our terrestrial globe would be about 10 to the 253 power, i.e. billions of years.

“But,” continued de Nouy ironically, “let us admit that no matter how small the chance it could happen, one molecule could be created by such astronomical odds of chance. However, one molecule is of no use. Hundreds

of millions of identical ones are necessary. Thus we either admit the miracle or doubt the absolute truth of science.”

—Quoted in “Is Science Moving Toward Belief in God?,” Paul A. Fisher, *The Wanderer*, November 7, 1985

2 Follow and Fill

Follow along with the lesson and fill in the blanks to these key points:

- God creates _____.
- God gives new _____.
- God chooses a _____.

3 World-Changing Inventions

List some inventions that have played an important role in shaping our world.

- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____

As noteworthy as these inventions and their inventors are, they simply cannot compare with the miraculous event in which God created a whole universe out of nothing. He merely spoke it into existence. Therefore, He deserves our praise and recognition as sovereign Lord and Creator.

4 Creation Account versus Worldly Views

As Christians, it is our responsibility to serve as God's witnesses to the lost. In order to do this,

we need to be educated on worldly beliefs in order to combat them with God's truths found in the Bible.

List and briefly describe some beliefs about the origin of life that directly oppose the Word of God.

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

What are some ways we can witness to individuals who believe in these erroneous beliefs? Use Scripture references to back your answers.

New Beginnings

In the Bible, we find numerous accounts in which God provided a new beginning for individuals or nations. List three such examples.

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

Regarding the fact that God provides new beginnings and second chances, what does this reveal about His character?



Sovereign God

In the frigid waters around Greenland are countless icebergs, some little and some gigantic. If you'd observe them carefully, you'd notice that sometimes the small ice pieces move in one direction while their massive counterparts flow in another. The explanation is simple. Surface winds drive the little ones, whereas the huge masses of ice are carried along by deep ocean currents. When we face trials and tragedies, it's helpful to see our lives as being subject to two forces—surface winds and ocean currents. The winds represent everything changeable, unpredictable, and distressing. But operating simultaneously with these gusts and gales is another force that's even more powerful. It is the sure movement of God's wise and sovereign purposes, the deep flow of His unchanging love.

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Answers:

Follow and Fill: a) everything; b) beginnings; c) nation