

## HANDS-ON BIBLE!

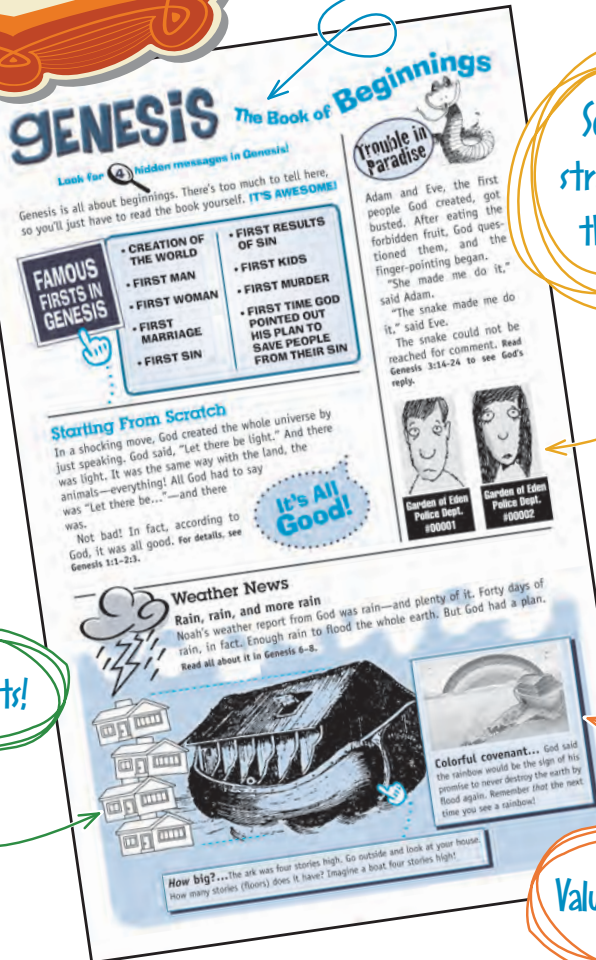
Discover why the  
**Hands-On Bible** is the book  
you can't put down.

These quick, funny overviews are written in a style you can relate to.

## INTRODUCTIONS

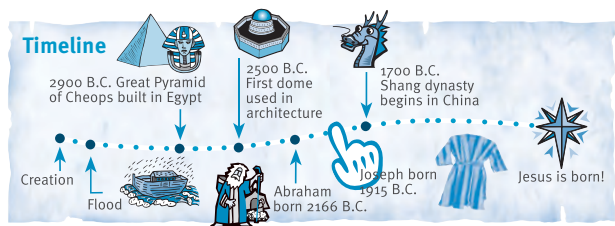
tell you about things you won't want to miss in each book of the Bible.

Sends you straight into the **BIBLE!**



## What Else?

Every introduction includes a **TIMELINE** to show you when the action took place. Dates from world history add to the fun!



# HANDS-ON BIBLE EXPERIENCES

This Bible will excite, ignite, and invite you to experience the Bible as you read it.

**Science experiments, crafts, journals, snacks**—you'll *do* the Bible. And that means you'll *remember* the Bible!

Learn it!

Do it!

Share it!

Live it!

Can you find the secret message in this activity?

That's why we've included **SECRET MESSAGES** throughout the Bible that send you searching for *other* places in the Bible. Think of it as a Bible treasure hunt! You'll explore the Bible like never before and discover that God's Word is an amazing whole, not just disconnected books under one cover.

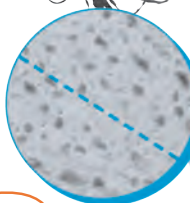
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Did someone say  
**"hospital"?**

No, the word is *hospitality*. And that's what Abraham showed his three visitors when he fed them a meal.

**Read Genesis 18:1-15.** *Hospitality* means sharing your home and food. Make this snack to show hospitality the next time your friends come over.



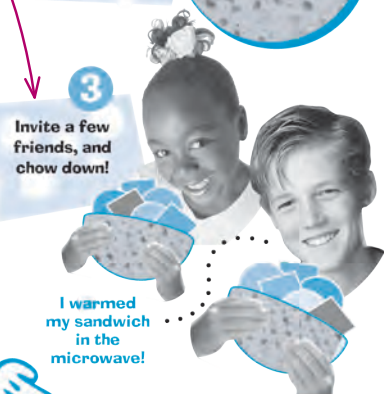
**1**

**Cut a round pita bread in half.**  
(A tortilla would work, too.)



**2**

**Stuff with slices of cheese and lunchmeat.**



**3**

**Invite a few friends, and chow down!**

**I warmed my sandwich in the microwave!**



**You're on your way!**

To practicing hospitality, that is.  
What other ways can you show hospitality to your friends this week?

# REAL BIBLE HEROES AND LOTS MORE

## BIBLE BIOS

Hear From the Heroes

## BIBLE HERO BIOGRAPHIES

talk straight to you, heart-to-heart. These heroes admit mistakes, joke around, confess when they're scared, and marvel at how God used them. Real people. Real heroes. Real Bible learning. And every biography gives you something to do.

Hi, my name is **ABRAHAM**

(shepherd, parent of a nation)

Like all of God's heroes (except Jesus), I made some whopper mistakes. But I know I did at least one thing right. When the Lord told me to leave my house and friends, I obeyed. God just said "go" and promised that my children would become a strong nation. But many years went by, and my wife, Sarah, and I almost gave up on God's promise. We still had no children, and we were old! Imagine your grandma and grandpa, or even your great-grandparents, having a baby. Well, that's exactly what happened to us. I was 100 years old and Sarah was 90 when we had Isaac—my wife just couldn't stop laughing! In fact, we picked a name for our son that showed our joy. Isaac means "laughter." That's no joke!

Want to see a couple of them? Check out **Genesis 12:10-20** and **Genesis 20:1-7**.

When Isaac grew into his teens, I had the worst day of my life. Read **Genesis 22:1-18** to find out what happened. During that frightening day, I obeyed God, and God took care of my son and me. You'll probably make a few mistakes in your life, but whatever you do, obey God. If you follow God's lead, he'll take you to the right place.

Around this time, God changed Abraham's name. If you want to know what it was before, check out **Genesis 17:1-8**.

## before & after

"In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth" (**GENESIS 1:1**).

Look at a sheet of dark construction paper. What do you see? Nothing, right? That's all there was—nothing!—until God set about creating the universe.

Look at **GENESIS 1:2**.

Read **GENESIS 1:1** out loud. Then take a sheet of light paper and get creative! Draw and color things God made: trees, birds, stars, the ocean, your family, your dog. Fill the page, just like God filled the heavens and earth!

## And More

### FUN fact

Noah had to build a big boat to hold the animals. (See what Noah was up to in **GENESIS 6:9-22**.) The ark was as long as one and one-half football fields, as tall as a four-story building, and as wide as a city block.



If God had asked Noah to fill the ark with popcorn, he would have had to pop about 6 million bags. GOOD HAVE A MICROWAVE! Pop up a bag of popcorn to celebrate what God did to save the world.

## Lots of FUN FACTS

How big was Noah's ark? How many steps did Abram's journey take? Lots of Fun Facts help you understand Bible-times culture, Bible story details, and key biblical concepts. Each Fun Fact helps you see the Bible as true and amazing.

The facts are fun, true, and—yup—hands-on!

## 52 KEY VERSE ACTIVITIES

help you learn, understand, and remember important Bible verses. That's one a week for a year! Plus, 52 more great verses are highlighted!

# HANDS-ON BIBLE

## Creation

Genesis 1-2



**It's a moth's wings up really close.**

Whether you look at God's creation up close or from far off, you have to admit that it's amazing!

After creating everything, God said, "It is very good." God could have said, "It is incredible!" God thought up the tiniest moth and the largest star. And God created you!

## WHAT IS THAT?!

### Consider This:

- The giant squid's eye can be as big as 15 inches across! (That's three inches longer than your ruler!)

- A cockroach can live up to 10 days without a head! Eww!



## The Whatsa-ma-jiggy

1

Make your own modeling clay by squishing together for five minutes:

- 1 cup of flour
- 1/3 cup of salt
- 1/3 cup of tap water

2

Create a never-seen-before animal, plant, or rock.

3

Name your creation, then compare your creation to God's creation by reading GENESIS 1.



(Dog head, giraffe neck, rhino body, bird legs)



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The main reason was that God wanted to have a relationship with you! You can have a relationship with God by putting your faith in Jesus. Check out these verses to learn more:  
JOHN 3:16; ROMANS 6:23; ROMANS 10:9-10; AND JOHN 15:15-17.

The **BIGGEST** stories you absolutely have to know.

## FROM CREATION TO HEAVEN—

these **full-color** extravaganzas will wow you as you discover that you are part of God's BIG plan.

## THE JESUS CONNECTION

God wants you to grow in your friendship with Jesus. Read **THE JESUS CONNECTION** in every book introduction and on every Bible Bonanza page. Discover how the focus of the Bible is Jesus!



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