

**SCRIPTURE
ELEMENTARY COURSE OF STUDY
GRADE 6**

GENERAL

Sources and Nature of Scripture

The students will:

- appreciate the Old Testament (Hebrew Scripture) writings as holy and precious.
- know the meaning of the term “inspiration” as it applies to the Bible.
- know the definition of Revelation. (cf. Glossary)
- know that the Old Testament (Hebrew Scripture) began as oral tradition.
- know that the Church is the official interpreter of scripture.
- be able to define “Tradition” as the rich and dynamic process by which the entire story of the people of God is handed on to diverse communities. It includes: doctrine, unique customs, values and practices, moral rules, rituals, witness and contemporary attitudes of the Catholic Christian tradition. Tradition is inseparably united with the Scriptures which were written under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit who guides the Church in handing on Tradition. (cf. Glossary)

Literary Forms

The student will:

- know that the Bible is written in a variety of literary forms; e.g., genealogies, psalms, letters, parables, wise sayings.
- name the different kinds of books of the Old Testament (Hebrew Scripture): Pentateuch (Torah or Law), historical books, prophetic books, wisdom books.

Location and Identification of Scripture Passages

The students will:

- be able to locate Scripture references and book, chapter and verse.
- be able to identify the books of the Old Testament (Hebrew Scripture) by abbreviation.

Map Skills

The students will:

- be able to locate on a map: Mesopotamia, Ur, Haran, Canaan and the Tigris and Euphrates Rivers (in relation to the story of Abraham).

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- be able to locate on a map: Egypt, the Nile, the Sinai Peninsula, Mount Sinai/Horeb, Canaan and Jericho, Red Sea, Dead Sea, Jordan River and the Mediterranean Sea (all in relation to the story of the Exodus).
- be able to locate on a map: the Divided Kingdoms; Jerusalem, Judah, Israel, Dead Sea, Sea of Galilee, Jordan River, and Mediterranean Sea.

Application of Scripture

The students will:

- be able to apply the meaning of a Scriptural passage to present-day life.
- be able to use Scripture as a basis for prayer and reflection.

OLD TESTAMENT (HEBREW SCRIPTURE)

General

The students will:

- know that God's chosen people are the Jews.
- know the terms covenant and Yahweh.

Pentateuch

The students will:

- know the names of the books of the Pentateuch.
- know and be able to retell what the creation stories teach about God's relationship with us (covenant).
- know the stories of Cain and Abel, the Tower of Babel and Noah and the Ark.
- know that Abraham was the first Patriarch, (chief father or head of the Israelite families, of God's chosen people), and he responded with faithfulness.
- be able to identify Abraham, Sarah, Isaac, Jacob, Rebecca, Hagar and Ishmael.
- understand the role of God's providence through the events of the life of Joseph (Old Testament).
- know that the Messiah comes through the lineage of Judah (Israel).

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- know that Moses, Miriam, and Aaron were called to lead God’s people.
- be able to retell the story of the Passover.
- know what the Passover meal was and experience a Seder meal.
- know how the Passover meal and Jesus’ Last Supper are related.
- be able to compare the Passover event with Jesus’ suffering, death, and Resurrection.
- know the conditions of the Sinai Covenant.

Historical Books

The students will:

- know what a Judge was.
- know the story of Samson.
- know the stories of the following people: Saul, David, and Solomon.
- know the stories of some significant women in the Old Testament; e.g., Deborah, Ruth, Esther, and Judith.

Prophetic Books (Prophets)

The students will:

- know the role of a prophet as one who speaks to the people for God, helping them understand what God wants them to do.
- know the difference between a major and a minor prophet.
- know the names of the major prophets
- know the names of some of the minor prophets.
- know the role and some significant passages of some of the major prophets.
- know the story of Hosea (Osee).
- know the story of Jonah.
- know the story of Isaiah.
- know the story of Ezekiel and the dry bones.

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Wisdom Literature

The students will:

- know what wisdom literature is.
- know the story of Job.
- be familiar with some of the psalms and learn to pray them.
- be familiar with some proverbs from the Book of Proverbs.