week 3

read romans 15:4

How long ago do you think your Bible was written? Without looking below, write your guess in this blank: _

The Bible was written over two thousand years ago, and in fact, some of the Old Testament was written over three thousand years ago! Some parts of the Old Testament predicted things that would happen a thousand years later when Jesus was born. The really mind-blowing part is how many people can share stories about how things in the Bible—that were written thousands of years ago—are changing their lives today. Talk about a big story that is still being told!

What is something you read in your Bible that is helping you right now?

How does it give you hope to know that Scripture was written so long ago?

thank God for sharing His big story with us!



read romans 8:28

Do you know the ending to the following movies?

A young clownfish gets captured by a scuba diver and taken away from his father. His father goes on a long adventure trying to find his son and bring him home. When he finds his son in a fish tank, he mistakenly thinks the young fish is dead and heartbroken, heads back home. What happens next?

A poor girl is transformed into a beautiful princess for the royal ball where she meets a handsome prince, but as midnight strikes, her clothes turn back to rags and she runs away losing one glass slipper. What happens next?

We don't always get to see the happy ending when bad things happen in our lives, but the great thing about real life is that it's not just about us—it's GOD'S story. And God's story is always way bigger and cooler than we could imagine.

God to help you to be patient as you wait to see His story unfold.

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read ecclesiastes 3:11

Did you know that your parents or the people who take care of you had a life before YOU existed? It's hard for us to imagine life before we were around, but it did exist. Go find a parent and ask about what life was like for them before you were born, or what their childhood was like. Write one surprising fact below:

It's hard to imagine what your parents' lives were like before you came along, or what YOUR life will be like when you're their age. But what's most amazing is that God's story is even bigger than all that!! His story extends into eternity—He has never not existed!

at God's story and have hope that He's always been at work in the world!

read proverbs 1b:9

Time yourself completing the maze below. Write your time here: ____

Now, try it again, but this time you can look up at the first maze to see how things are supposed to go.

Write your second time here: ___

It's a lot easier, isn't it? It seems like if life were like that, and we could skip ahead to the ending, things would be easier. But thankfully, we serve a God who DOES see the whole picture. He knows the whole story because He wrote it.

Know that you can have hope because God knows how the story goes!





