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a word about what's ahead...

The goal of *Cornerstone Connections* is to lead you to the Bible to see the big story of God and people. This big story continues from the first generation in Eden to your generation today. It's about the lives of people as the God of the universe interacts with them.

If you are looking for a word from God that is **real**, *Cornerstone Connections* captures the message of Scripture and challenges you to make the connections to your real life.

God's Word is not only real; it is rock-solid. For the first generation to hear God's voice in the garden as well as the last group standing before Christ at the Second Coming, the Word of God has been and continues to be reliable.

The word from God comes to us in the **stories** of people who encountered Him and made a decision to either follow Him or walk away.

Real. Solid. Stories. You will find one in *Into the Story* in each lesson. *Out of the Story* will provide you with ways to search for truth you can apply to your life. In each lesson you will also find:

- What Do You Think?—a mental activity to get your mind and heart in gear
 for the story to follow. Every time you approach a Bible story, you are coming to it in the context of the story in which you live every day.
- *Did You Know?*—a brief statistic or definition that digs a little deeper into the story or simply provides some helpful facts to bring to the lesson.
- Key Text—a verse that points out a key concept from the story. It is also
 a great place to find verses that you can memorize and store away for
 later use.
- Punch Lines—a few other verses from Scripture that punctuate key concepts of the lesson. You may see connections between them and the Bible story as well as your own life.
- Flashlight—a brief snapshot of Ellen White's input on the story. These
 glimmers that shed light onto the biblical passage will also give you a
 glimpse of what awaits you in the suggested weekly reading from her
 inspired commentary on the stories—the Conflict of the Ages.*
- Further Insight—one or two quotes that will provide further insight into the central message of the lesson.
- Connecting to Life—the guide to making the truths about God in this story your very own. Study the Bible lesson during the week in preparation for Sabbath School. On Sabbath you will have the opportunity to review, discuss, and elaborate on what you learned with your teacher and other students in your Sabbath School class. Each day of the week you will be directed to explore one of the sections of the lesson, to relate it to the story you live, and to make the message from God apply to you personally.

Welcome to Cornerstone Connections.

—General Conference Sabbath School and Personal Ministries Department

PS.: Don't forget to check out the reading plan.

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April

2—Love Is Patient [p. 5]

We all desire to love and to be loved. But how do we remain sexually pure in a world that doesn't see love the way God sees it?

9—More Than a Job [p. 9]

When we choose a career, there's more to consider than merely money. How can we also contribute to God's cause through it?

16—God's Heart for You [p. 13]

How can we as Christians love homosexuals and yet not compromise with the sin of a homosexual lifestyle?

23—That's My Story [p. 17]

When the authorities came to arrest Paul, he asked permission to tell the crowd the story of his conversion experience. Our stories also have powerful potential to change lives.

30—Lasting Loyalty [p. 21]

We will all be called by Christ to endure trials for Him with character and integrity. What better way to prepare for that future than by today living a life devoted to Him.

May

7—Trading Places [p. 25]

To be compassionate is to have a keen sympathy for the suffering of others. What does being "clothed with compassion" look like?

14—A Good Report [p. 29]

Though none of us want to face difficulties and trials, we can view these times as opportunities for lifting up the name of Jesus in our words and deeds.

21—A Part, Not Apart [p. 33]

God provided comfort and companionship to Paul through the loving-kindness of other believers while he was imprisoned. The church today is also meant for that type of unselfish love.

28—Army of One [p. 37]

Paul stood trial before Nero without an advocate. No one was willing to speak on his behalf. We may also need to stand alone for Christ, but we will never be without an advocate.

June

4—Love Power [p. 41]

Time spent with Jesus is never wasted time. Lingering in Christ's presence and embracing His love gives the power to transform our lives. How are others transformed in your presence?

11—The Revelation [p. 45]

The apostle John was keenly aware that his belief in Christ put him at odds with religious and civil leaders. As is often the case, however, that which humanity intends for evil God uses for His glory.

18—Forever Faithful [p. 49]

God has always had a remnant people—those who refuse to compromise with the majority. Are you part of this group?

25—Like Light [p. 53]

Many people encourage us to give our lives for "a cause." But have we chosen a cause that will endure throughout eternity?

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