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10 Basic Steps – Wk #10 The Story of God - Part II

Act 4 – Jesus [The Gospels]

"John the Baptist Prepares the Way" :

*"I will send my messenger ahead of you,
who will prepare your way" -
"a voice of one calling in the desert,
'Prepare the way for the Lord,
make straight paths for him.'*

"The Ministry of Jesus" :

*"The Spirit of the Lord is on me,
because he has anointed me
to preach good news to the poor.
He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners
and recovery of sight for the blind,
to release the oppressed,
to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor."*

*Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues,
preaching the good news of the kingdom, and healing every
disease and sickness among the people.*

"The Crucifixion and Resurrection of the Christ"

*When they came to the place called the Skull, there they
crucified him, along with the criminals—one on his right, the
other on his left. Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they do
not know what they are doing."*

*After the Sabbath, at dawn on the first day of the week, Mary
Magdalene and the other Mary went to look at the tomb...*

*The angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid, for I know that
you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. He is not here; he
has risen..."*

Act 5 –The Church [Acts – Jude]

Scene 1 – The Early Church

*When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one
place. Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came
from heaven and filled the whole house where they were
sitting. They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that
separated and came to rest on each of them. All of them were
filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues
as the Spirit enabled them... Those who accepted his message
were baptized, and about three thousand were added to their
number that day.*

*They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to the
fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer. Everyone
was filled with awe, and many wonders and miraculous signs
were done by the apostles. All the believers were together and
had everything in common. Selling their possessions and
goods, they gave to anyone as he had need. Every day they
continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke
bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere
hearts, praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people.
And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being
saved.*

Act 6 – New Heaven and New Earth [Revelation]

*Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven
and the first earth had passed away, and there was no longer
any sea. I saw the Holy City, the new Jerusalem, coming down
out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride beautifully dressed
for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne
saying, "Now the dwelling of God is with men, and he will live
with them. They will be his people, and God himself will be with
them and be their God. He will wipe every tear from their eyes.
There will be no more death or mourning or crying or pain, for
the old order of things has passed away."*