

## The First Principles

### Introduction:

- 27 basic discipleship lessons designed to give followers of Jesus the “First Principles” of discipleship to Jesus.
- The stories are meant to be done in a “1-on-1,” “1-on-a few,” or small group setting utilizing the “3/3rds pattern” for meeting
  - The bible passages will be utilized in the “New Teaching” portion and are to be discovered through answering the “Sword Method” questions

### Part 1 - Stories for a Growing Disciple

1. The Gospel - Acts 10:34-48 - [Rm. 6:23 Bridge Illustration](#)
2. The Vine and the Branches - John 15:1-11 - [Abide Tool](#)
3. Live New in Christ - 2 Cor. 5:17-21 - [4-1-1 Tool](#)
4. The Story of Zacchaeus - Luke 19:1-10
5. The Persistent Neighbor - Luke 11:1-13
6. The Ethiopian is Baptized - Acts 8:26-29
7. A Samaritan Loves - Luke 10:25-37
8. The Generous Widow - Mark 12:41-44; Acts 4:32-37
9. The First Church Begins - Acts 2:37-47 - [Healthy Church Circle Tool](#)

### Part 2 - The Story

1. The Story - Luke 24:36-49 - [The Story Track](#)
2. The Scriptures - Psalm 19; 2 Peter 1:16-21
3. Beginnings - Gen. 1 / Gen. 3
4. The Nation of Israel - Pt. 1 - Gen. 12:1-3; 15:1-6; 22:1-19
5. The Nation of Israel - Pt. 2 - Exodus 19:1 - 20:21
6. Davidic Covenant - 1 Samuel 16:1-13; 2 Samuel 7:1-17; Psalm 110
7. The Kingdom Arrives - John 1:1-18
8. The Kingdom Launches - Luke 24:44-49; Acts 1:1-11
9. The Kingdom Advances - Acts 1:8; 2:41,47; 4:4; 5:14; 6:7; 9:31; 13:1-3; 16:5; 19:10; 28:28-31
10. The Kingdom Fully Realized - Rev. 5:1-14

### Part 3 - Fundamentals for Christian Living

1. Put Off and Put On - Eph. 4:17-32 / Rm. 12:1-2
2. Live in Light of the End - Eph. 5:1-21
3. Walk by the Spirit - Gal. 5:16-26
4. Spiritual Gifts - 1 Cor. 12:4-6 / Rm. 12:3-16
5. Christian Families - Eph. 5:22-6:9
6. God's Household - 1 Tim. 3:14-16 / Titus 1:5-2:15
7. Relationships within the Church - Phil. 1:27-2:14 / Eph. 4:1-6
8. Relationships within the World - Titus 3:1-11 / Rm. 13:1-4