

The Story of Hope (TSOH) Key Emerging Truths

GOD – TSOH IMAGES (1-10, 14, 16, 17)

- 1 eternal, holy, personal, Spirit
- 2 almighty, good, designer
- 3 loving, provider, relational, Father
- 4 righteous judge, all knowing, holy
- 5 just judge, law giver
- 6 just judge
- 7 gracious, redeemer, promise keeper
- 8 holy, redeemer, just judge
- 9 holy, just judge, gracious redeemer
- 10 holy, just judge, gracious redeemer, merciful protector, promise keeper, truth revealer
- 11 promise keeper
- 12 promise keeper, gracious redeemer
- 13 promise keeper, all knowing, authority, relational
- 14 just judge, gracious redeemer, merciful protector
- 15 supreme authority, promise keeper, merciful protector
- 16 just judge, holy, truth revealer, relational, law giver
- 17 just judge, merciful protector, promise keeper, relational being
- 18 holy, just judge, gracious redeemer, promise keeper, all knowing,
- 19 truth revealer, promise keeper, relational, merciful protector, preserver
- 20 truth revealer, merciful protector, promise keeper, all knowing, gracious redeemer
- 21 promise keeper, all powerful, gracious redeemer, relational, God in human flesh
- 22 lamb, promise keeper, holy, gracious redeemer,
- 23 all powerful, holy, supreme authority, sinless
- 24 all powerful, life giver
- 25 truth revealer
- 26 merciful, gracious, relational, truth revealer, forgiver of sins
- 27 truth revealer, holy, just
- 28 God in the flesh, all powerful
- 29 humble, lamb, gracious, merciful
- 30 lamb, willing substitute, holy, promise keeper
- 31 lamb, promise keeper, gracious redeemer, sinless
- 32 gracious redeemer, sin forgiver, promise keeper
- 33 risen king, promise keeper, all powerful, holy,
- 34 ascended king, promise keeper, sovereign lord
- 35 promised savior
- 36 promise keeper
- 37 just judge, holy, all knowing, all powerful, sovereign king,
- 38 just judge, all powerful, sovereign king, promise keeper, holy, eternal
- 39 just judge, all knowing, holy, promise keeper, truth revealer
- 40 promise keeper, restorer, holy, all powerful, gracious redeemer, truth revealer

MAN

- 3 image of God, good, holy, perfect
- 5 choice
- 6 consequence, death
- 7 promise of his coming restorer
- 8 provision of covering – man's work unacceptable
- 9 curse on man, earth
- 10 judgment on all mankind, offer of escape
- 16 accountable, clear explanation of sin
- 17 personal sacrifice, personal need
- 25-26 self righteous or sinful, all men need
- 31 Christ died for all men
- 32 individual choice, last opportunity
- 39 end of the unbelieving
- 40 end of the believing

SIN

- 4 Lucifer - the first sin
- 5 man – sins
- 9 separation
- 10 universal
- 14 personal
- 16 from conscience to law
- 21 Jesus became one of us... but sinless
- 31 died for all of us
- 32 personal choice
- 39-40 consequence of individual choice

DEATH

- 5 The warning of death
- 6 spiritual death
- 7 destruction of Satan, death of Seed
- 8 death of animals
- 10 death in the flood
- 12 death sentence on Isaac
- 14 death of Passover lambs
- 16 death for breaking commandments
- 17 death of sacrifices
- 18 death from serpents bite.... Sin
- 20 death of promised Savior
- 24 Jesus power over death
- 27 eternal death for sin
- 31 death of Jesus
- 32 rescue from death – paradise
- 33 resurrection from the dead
- 36 believers escaping death, raised from the dead
- 39 eternal, spiritual death in hell

CHRIST

- 7 Promised Seed of Woman
- 11 Promised Seed woman... to Noah... to Seth... to Abraham... to Isaac
- 17 Promised coming Savior.... temporary sacrifices
- 19 Promised coming King
- 20 Promised coming virgin-born, suffering servant
- 21 His birth as promised
- 22 His announcement as Lamb of God by John
- 23 His power over Satan – His sinlessness – as promised
- 24 His power over death – as promised
- 25 His wisdom and truth revealing – as promised
- 26 His mercy & concern for the world – as promised
- 27 His warnings about hell
- 28 His claim to be God – as promised
- 29 His rejection as promised
- 30 His suffering as promised
- 31 His death as promised
- 32 His invitation for paradise
- 33 His resurrection as promised
- 34 His ascension as promised
- 35 His message being proclaimed
- 36 His return as promised
- 37 His return to judge the world & reign as promised
- 38 His final defeat of Satan as promised
- 39 His judgment of all mankind as promised
- 40 His eternal paradise for all who believe in Him as promised

CROSS

- 7 Seed of woman having his heel crushed
- 18 Serpent on a pole, lifted up
- 20 prophets spoke of the promised savior's death
- 25 Jesus foretold of His coming death on the cross
- 31 His crucifixion for us

FAITH

- 8 Adam names his wife "Eve" – mother of life (giver)
- 10 Noah believed the warning and the promise
- 11 Abraham believed God's promise of a coming Savior
- 12 Abraham believed God would bring the Savior through Isaac
- 14 Passover – faith in the promise
- 15 Faith to cross the Red Sea
- 17 Faith in offering sacrifices as God commanded
- 18 Faith in looking at the lifted serpent on the pole
- 32 Faith of the believing thief
- 39 Result of not having faith in Jesus
- 40 Result of having faith in Jesus

LIFE

- 3 Perfect paradise with God originally
- 9 Separation from Paradise
- 10 Life preserved in the ark – one way
- 14 Life preserved by the lamb's sacrifice
- 15 Life preserved through the Red Sea
- 18 Life preserved by faith in the serpent on the pole
- 21 Perfect, sinless life of the Son of God
- 24 Jesus' power to restore life
- 33 Jesus raised to everlasting life
- 34 Jesus' return to paradise in heaven
- 40 Believers restored to perfect paradise forever

Shortest Version – top five events examples for each

God – 1, 3, 7, 10, 39

Man – 3, 5, 6, 10, 32

Sin – 4, 6, 10, 16, 39

Death – 6, 8, 10, 17, 31

Christ – 7, 12, 19, 20, 21

Cross – 7, 17, 20, 22, 31

Faith – 10, 12, 14, 18, 32

Life – 3, 9, 24, 33, 40

Recurring Themes that emerge from the story

God is good – creates man, provides everything for Him

God created mankind to live in His presence forever

God is holy and **will always judge sin** with the punishment of death

Man is responsible for his sins

Man is helpless to undo the awful consequences of his sins

God is merciful and provides a way for sin to be punished and man to be restored

God has provided the remedy for sin that satisfies His justice and restores man to life again

Sacrifice in our place takes the **punishment of death** and allows us to live

Faith in the promised provision God has made **is always necessary to escape sin's consequence**

Refusing to believe in the promise of God's provision always **results in death**

Faith brings life, unbelief brings death

The only way of escape from sin and death is through Jesus, **God's perfect provision**