



Methodist History & Doctrine

LESSON TITLE	PROBLEM STATEMENT	KEY VERSE
JOHN WESLEY: PART 1	I don't know much about John Wesley, and I'm not sure why I should care.	1 Samuel 3:7
JOHN WESLEY: PART 2	I feel like faith is just something between God and me.	1 John 4:21
THE GROWTH OF METHODISM	I thought John Wesley started all of the Methodist churches in the United States.	Ecclesiastes 4:12
THE QUADRILATERAL	I thought the Bible was supposed to be our guide in life, but it doesn't seem to address the problems I have.	2 Timothy 3:14-15
GRACE	I thought grace was just another word for forgiveness.	Philippians 2:13
PERFECTION	God says I can be perfect, but I don't see that happening.	Matthew 5:48
PRAYER	I'm not sure why or how to pray.	1 Samuel 2:1
FREE WILL AND THE OMINPRESENCE OF GOD	If God is involved in everything, does that mean God controls everything?	Psalm 139: 1-2
SALVATION	I think salvation is just about going to heaven.	Ephesians 2:8-9
HOLYCOMMUNION	Body? Blood? I don't understand what's happening during communion.	Luke 22:19-20
WORSHIP/SERVICE	I don't know why I need to attend worship.	Isaiah 25:1
THE GENERAL RULES	There are already a bunch of rules in the Bible. I don't know why Wesley needed to create more.	1 Corinthians 10:23-24
THE METHODIST CHURCH AROUND THE WORLD	I didn't know there were other Methodists around the world.	Philippians 1:6
BAPTISM AND CONFIRMATION	I don't remember my baptism—maybe I should do it again.	John 15:16
COVENANT MEMBERSHIP VOWS	Of course I'm going to get confirmed, now that I'm done with class.	1 Timothy 4:12





Old Testament

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CANON	I don't know why the Bible is so special, why certain parts made the cut, and who had the right to decide.	2 Timothy 3:16
THE HEBREW BIBLE	I don't know why the Hebrew Bible is part of the Christian Bible.	Deuteronomy 6:6
GENESIS	I don't know why Genesis matters when science has already disproven the stories.	Genesis 1:27
EXODUS	I don't understand why (or how) God plays favorites with Moses and the Israelites.	Exodus 33:17
LAW	I don't understand why we observe some parts of the law but not others.	Deuteronomy 5:2
JUDGES	I don't know what judges are at all.	Judges 6:24
RUTH	I don't know why Ruth would willingly become an outsider in a foreign land.	Ruth 1:16
KINGS	I don't know where kings fit into the story of Israel.	1 Samuel 8:7
BABYLONIAN CAPTIVITY	I don't get why God would free the people only to let them be captured again.	Jeremiah 25:7
PROPHETS	I don't understand what qualifies someone to be a prophet.	Deuteronomy 18:22
PSALMS	I don't know what purpose the psalms serve.	Psalm 1:2
WISDOM	I don't know what makes wisdom books more wise than the rest of the Bible.	Proverbs 2:6
JOB	I don't know why bad things happen to good people.	Job 1:22
ESTHER	I don't know why Esther's story matters when it doesn't mention God.	Esther 4:14
THE RISE OF ROME	What happened in the world between the Old Testament and New Testament?	Ezra 1:3

New Testament

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MAPS	I don't know where all this Bible stuff happened.	Acts 14:27
THE NEW TESTAMENT	If the whole Bible is so important, I don't understand why it is split into two parts.	John 12:50
JESUS	I don't understand how Jesus could be fully human and fully divine.	Philippians 2:5-7
MATTHEW	I don't know why Matthew refers to the Old Testament all the time.	Matthew 1:22-23
MARK	I don't get why Mark skips stuff and ends before the story does.	Mark 1:15
LUKE	I'm not sure why Luke is so fixated on the Roman Empire and people on the fringes of society.	Luke 2:49
ЛОНИ	I don't get why John is so different from the other Gospels and changes the order of events.	John 14:10
ACTS	I don't know if church today is supposed to look like the church in Acts.	Acts 1:8
PAUL AND THE EARLY CHURCH	I'm don't know why we hold Paul in such high esteem when he started out as an enemy of Christians.	Acts 9:15
PAUL'S THEOLOGY	I'm not sure why Paul's ideas are so important to Christians.	1 Thessalonians 1:8
ROMANS	I don't know why Paul felt the need to cram so many diverse issues and topics into one letter.	Romans 1:16-17
1 AND 2 CORINTHIANS	I don't know why the church in Corinth seemed so messed up and confused.	2 Corinthians 5:17
GALATIANS	I don't know what to do when Christians disagree.	Galatians 1:6
LETTERS	I don't know why so many letters are considered Holy Scripture.	1 Timothy 1:5
REVELATION	I don't understand all the strange and scary images in the book of Revelation.	Revelation 21:3-4