

Scripture Bridges

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The Past

The Present

Me Here Now

They There Then

1 Nephi 19:23 JS-M 1:37

...did liken all scriptures unto us, that it might be for our profit and learning ...treasure up the Lord's words





David and Goliath

Proving God's Armor in His Cause 1 Samuel 17

Verse	Phrases from the scriptures	Parallels to Our Day
37	"He will deliver me."	
39	"I have not proved them (the armor)"	
45	"I come to thee in the name of the Lord"	
46	"All the earth may know that there is a God in Israel"	

Elements present in scripture stories easily transferred with relevance to our day:

- 1) A story line is followed
- 2) The story line has a beginning and an ending



- 3) Phrases or sentences from the story are principles that illustrate eternal truths
- 4) These phrases or sentences depict truths applicable both in the past and in our day



Pattern for Spiritual Growth Matthew 4

Verses	Phrases	Parallels to Our Day
1	The Savior sensed His sacred responsibility and sought to commune with God	
1	He communed with God	
3-10	He was tempted and challenged	
11	Angels ministered to Him	



Repentance and Forgiveness Alma 36

Verses	Phrases from the Scriptures	Parallels to Our Day
6	Alma went about seeking to destroy the church	This member went about sinning
6-11	God sent His angel to Stop Alma	He was caught in his sin
11-16	Alma was struck with fear; he was racked with torment	He was tormented, afraid, I remorseful, and penitent
17	Alma remembered to have heard his father prophesy of the atonement	He remembered that his father and mother had taught him about the Atonement in FHE
18	Alma prayed for mercy	He prayed for forgiveness



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Verses	Phrases from the Scriptures	Parallels to Our Day
19	Alma could remember his pains no more	He felt no more pains for is sins
21-23	Alma received joy, light, and strength	He received joy, light, and strength
24	Alma labored without ceasing to save souls	He labored to save souls
27	Alma was supported in his trials	He was supported in his trials

Jonah and the Whale Jonah 1:3

Verses	Then	Now
1:3	Fled from the presence of the Lord	
3:3	Did according to the word of the Lord	



ie: callings, internet use, music, friends, dress



Jaredite Journey A Type of our journey through mortal life Ether 6:1-12



Verses	Then	Now
3	Sought light to shine in darkness	
4	Prepared to board the vessel	
4	Commended themselves to the Lord	
5	Furious winds blow towards the promised land	
9-12	They sang praises to the Lord	
13	They tilled the earth	