WHERE AM I on the Chart of the Ages?

Object of the Activity

This activity is not meant to be a competition to see who wins. It is meant to teach basic **Chart of the Ages** recognition skills. Making children more aware of the elements of the Chart will illustrate how easy it is to follow a time-line in the Bible and to identify the planes of existence in God's creation. By using real or fictitious stories on the **Question Cards**, it makes these components of Bible history more personal, leaving a deeper impression.

Materials Needed

"Where Am I" Question Cards:

- ▲ The Question Cards are found in this PDF file on pages 3 through 6. Print out these 8.5"x11" pages preferably onto colored index or card stock. For heavier colored stock, it may be necessary to take the PDF file to your local copier store, such as Kinkos/FedEX, Staples or Office Max.
- ▲ Cut out the Question Cards on the dotted lines.
- ▲ For reference, print out page 7 the **Teacher's Guide** to the **Question Cards**.



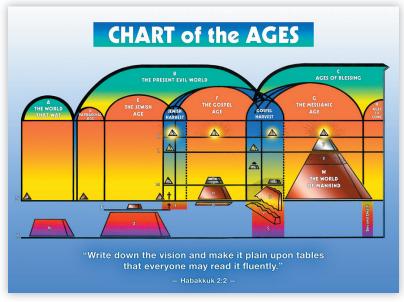


Chart of the Ages Activity Board:

- ▲ This colorful Chart of the Ages is available as a downloadable JPG image file on the biblestudentkids.com website.
- ▲ An option for one-on-one instruction is to use the computer screen to point out the location for answers. It is not advisable to apply stickers to most computer screens, but depending on the screen surface, Post-it Notes cut in small shapes may serve as temporary place markers.
- ▲ The most practical option for a group lesson is to make an Activity Board.
- \blacktriangle Print out the **Chart** onto white 11"x17" index or card stock. The actual size is 10"x13" so it may be necessary to take the JPG file to your local copier store for the larger, heavier stock.
- ▲ Trim Chart to 11"x14", then center and mount the print onto 12"x15" poster or foam core board.
- ▲ For a larger **Activity Board**, some stores like Walmart now have oversized printers which copy at a reasonable price.

Answer-Markers:

▲ Answer-Markers for the Chart Activity Board can be made out of many materials. Any craft store has colorful beads, stickers, Post-it Notes, heavy colored paper or colored foam shapes. Be sure to keep these shapes no larger than about 1/2" to keep from obscuring too much of the Chart. (Keep these from very small children.)

▲ If the **Chart** is only going to be used once, and if it is mounted on foam core board, you may want to use colorful thumb tacks as **Answer-Markers**. This would provide for vertical positioning of the **Activity Board**.

▲ Use your creativity, and if you come up with a great idea, please send us an e-mail and share your suggestions at GospelPlan@aol.com — use "biblestudentkids.com" in the subject line.

Activity Rules

- ▲ Shuffle and place **Question Cards** upside-down in a pile in the middle of the participants.
- ▲ Starting with the oldest participant to the youngest, each person takes a turn at picking up and reading their card. By starting with the oldest participant and working down to the youngest, the younger will benefit by observing the older as to how the activity functions.
- ▲ Encourage children to wait until the card is read completely

before answering. This will provide every participant a chance to think the answer through.

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- ▲ So that no one is demoralized by not knowing the answers, it may be helpful to talk about the elements in the story of the Question Card before finding the position on the Chart.
- ▲ At any time in the discussion, if a participant knows the answer, they may take an **Answer-marker** and place it in front of them to show that they are ready with an answer. Discourage placing the marker before the participant verbalizes the answer this will prevent having to remove the marker if the answer is wrong.
- ▲ So that the same person doesn't always get the chance to answer, if several have placed a marker down, the teacher may give a chance for others to answer first.
- ▲ If the participants finish answering the questions on the cards, see if anyone would like to come up with his or her own scenario.
- ▲ To make the activity more challenging, participants may find Scripture references which accompany the scenarios in the Question Cards.
- A Remember that the objective of this activity is not meant to be a competition to see who wins. It is meant to teach basic **Chart of the Ages** recognition skills while having fun.

My name is Johan. I am a brother in Christ in an ecclesia in Romania. History has just changed here, because we no longer live under communist rule. When we lived under communism, the authorities came to our house when we were having a Bible study. They dragged my uncle out into the street and then brought him to prison. We thank the Lord that we are now living in the time of religious freedom, and my uncle is home safe again.

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My name is Thomas. I am an elder in a Bible student ecclesia. I became a Christian 20 years ago when I learned that the Lord was beginning to restore the Jewish people to their homeland in Israel. Since that time, I have seen many other end-time prophesies come to pass. It won't be long before we will witness the fulfillment of the full establishment of God's Kingdom on earth under the rulership of Christ and his Church!

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I am the Messiah. I have been reigning with my Bride, the Church for 300 years and it has been thrilling to see the world of mankind making such beautiful progress as they walk up the highway of holiness. When they come to see that the permission of evil was for their education to prepare them to live forever, almost everyone has humbled their hearts and come to us with songs and everlasting joy upon their heads.

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My name is Jesus. I have come to do the will of my Father in heaven. He has a merciful plan for mankind to bring them back from their graves and into harmony with Him. I am laying down my life voluntarily to pay the price for the sin which Adam committed. By doing this, my death will release Adam and all of his children from the death sentence, in due time. My disciples love my teachings, but the religious rulers do not, and they are plotting to kill me.

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My name is Mercurion. I am the son of an angel who came down from heaven and married my earthly mother. I am mighty and much larger than mere humans — I am also more beautiful than any human. No one dare to tell me what to do, for I am like unto the gods! There is a preacher near our city who is building a huge ark and warning of a coming flood. He is such a fool — look how everything is going on as normal. Hah! He is just crazy!

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My name is Abel. My parents, Adam and Eve taught me to love and respect God with all my heart. I love listening to their lessons about our great Creator — they strengthen my faith. My brother Cain has not taken as much interest in listening to these lessons. Today I am going to bring a sacrifice to the Lord because of my great appreciation for all He has done for us. This precious lamb represents my heart, which I dedicate to Him.

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My name is Emilia. Il was a Christian when there was great persecution upon the Church from King Charles of England. He didn't like it that we wouldn't accept him as head of the Church. I lost many dear friends to his wrath. Even though I loved God, and did remain faithful in the end, I held back from serving him and his truth, because it was too hard and I was afraid of what might happen to me. But, by God's mercy, I did receive spiritual life, and I now serve the Messiah before his throne.

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My name is Micah. I prophesied of the time in which we now live. The miracle of the resurrection is happening throughout the earth. As each one is accepting the New Covenant through the Messiah, they have been blessed with health and happiness. All are beginning to see the fulfillment of the prophecy that God told me to report thousands of years before: that they will each live under their own vine and fig tree and none shall make them afraid.

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My name is Benjamin. I am a Rabbi serving a synagogue in Madrid. We just learned that synagogues throughout Spain are being raided by soldiers who were sent by the Roman Pope. Jews are warned to convert to Christianity, or they will be forced to leave the country. I am afraid for my people, and I am warning them to escape with me and my family to Istanbul. Many will do so and are helping to pack up our sacred scrolls. We will be leaving tomorrow.

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My name is Gladius Arilius. Emperor Constantine recently converted from paganism to Christianity. At first we thought this was going to be a good thing, but he has been changing our cherished truths — truths that we have believed since the Apostles passed away. A little flock of us believe that these compromises with pagan beliefs will bring in many false converts, and will corrupt the true church. We must be faithful to God's truth!

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My name is Nehemiah. I am a faithful ancient worthy who was raised from the dead by Christ and his Church at the beginning of the Mediatorial reign. Now that all have learned righteousness, there is peace throughout God's universe — both "in earth as it is in heaven." The last enemy, Adamic death, has been destroyed, Christ has turned the perfected world of mankind over to his Father, and God is now "all in all."

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My name is Moshi. I lived in a German ghetto when Hitler was in power. My family was loaded into a train car and taken to Auschwitz where we were then split up. I never saw my wife and children again until the resurrection. What joy to know this will never happen again! As Jews we were always hated in the old world, but now everyone is becoming an Israelite indeed, because the Messiah is bringing everyone into our one nation with God as our Father!

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My name is Anistemi. I am the daughter of Jairus, the ruler of a synagogue. I am only 12 years old, and I recently became very sick. My father went to Jesus and asked him to come to our home to heal me, but, by the time Jesus arrived, I was already dead. Oh, how sad my parents were, but Jesus performed a miracle and raised me from death! Many people have heard of the miracle and are beginning to say that Jesus might be the Messiah!

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My name is Elisabeth. I am very old and did not have children, but the Lord has blessed me in my old age, and I bore a son. The angel Gabriel told my husband Zacharias to name our boy John. He also said that John would turn the hearts of many people in Israel back to God. My husband and I have been delighted in our little boy. He is the cousin of Joseph and Mary's little boy, Jesus. God has blessed us all.

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My name is Rose Ann. I am the soloist in my church choir. I am much better than Maribel, but they picked her to sing at the Christmas pageant honoring King Henry! Do they not know that my family donates hundreds of pounds a year to the Church of England? What has her family donated?—probably chickens from their peasant farm! God has blessed me with such a gift, and all I want to do is share it with others. Can they not see what a fine Christian I am?

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My name is Father Rigby. I am a Cardinal in the most powerful Catholic parish in the world. I don't know why the people are all leaving the church! Now we have no funding to support our clergy, keep our TV ministry going and to maintain our beautiful buildings. We could sell off some of our rare paintings and gold statues, but these are priceless! This is all the fault of those supposed Christians who claim that the papal system is the Antichrist!

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My name is Togumar. I am the great, great, great, great grandson of Adam and Eve. I live at a time when Nimrod has been building the tower of Babel up as high as the heavens. We were almost finished, but something very strange has happened to our words, and we are all talking in different languages! It is frightening, and very confusing. We are beginning to form little colonies of people who are all speaking the same language.

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My name is Abraham. Our ancient patriarch Shem has taught me many wonderful things about Jehovah, the Creator of the universe. I have had great faith in God, and because of this, God has called me His friend. Because we are very old, my wife Sarah and I were certain we would never have a child together, but, by a miracle, God has blessed us with a son. He has brought us great joy, and we have named him Isaac, which means laughter.

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My name is Noah. I have been a preacher of righteousness, but it has been to no avail. Mankind has become so sinful that God told me to build a very large ark so that I might save my wife, my three sons and their wives from the flood. God also instructed me to bring into the ark animals of every kind. The flood waters have rushed down from the sky and up from the ground, and we have been the only ones spared. All others have drown.

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My name is Adam. I am the very first human who has ever lived, but God has promised that my wife Eve and I shall multiply and fill the whole earth with our children. It has been beautiful living in this Garden of Eden with my new wife. I often have a wonderful discussion with God in the cool of the day. He has given me the joyful task of naming all of the animals. One of my favorite baby animals that I have named is the lamb.

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My name is Enubu. I lived in Africa in the 1700s when the French merchants herded my family onto a shipl to bring us to the Caribbean. My wife and children died on the ship. This was actually a blessing in disguise, because I was bought by a cruel master. Since the resurrection, this slave owner has come to me to seek my forgiveness, and we have become close friends. My wife and children have just come back to life and we will teach them the ways of holiness.

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My name is Romulus. I used to live in Rome during the Middle Ages. I was in the Pope's army and killed many people in the name of God. When I was raised from the dead upon the earth, I learned that what I did as a soldier was wrong. I asked God, through the Messiah, for forgiveness, and I also asked for forgiveness from everyone I hurt or killed. I am now making great progress in righteousness as I walk up the highway of holiness.

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My name is Amanlebab. I am from the tribe of Judah. My parents and I have been wandering in the wilderness for many years since we left Egypt. Moses has told us that this is because 10 of the 12 men who went to spy on the Canaanites came back saying that it would be impossible to take the land that God promised us. They said there were giants living there, but I believe Joshua and Caleb who said we could win in the strength of the Lord!

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the palace of King Ahab. Hel really scares me, because he listens to his hateful wife Jezebel who gets him to do very mean and spiteful things. Jezebel once told Ahab to cut off the prophets of God, but I hid 100 of them in 2 caves. Elijah has now asked me to go to Ahab and tell him that he wants to speak to him. But, even though I love God and want to obey his prophet, I am really afraid of what Ahab will do to me.

My name is Obadiah. I am governor in

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Teacher's Guide to the Question Cards

- 1 A Johan is within Pyramid "s" in the Gospel Harvest
- 2 A Messiah is Pyramid "x" on Plane "K" in the Messianic Age
- 3 A Mercurion is not on the Chart. He was a hybrid—not a son of Adam—living in the World that Was
- 4 ▲ Anistemi is in the Jewish Age Harvest on Plane "P"
- 5 ▲ Rose Ann is within either truncated Pyramid "q" or "p" in the Gospel Age
- 6 ▲ Togumar is in the Patriarchal Age on Plane "R"
- 7 Emilia is within truncated Pyramid "y" on Plane "L" in the Messianic Age
- 8 A Rabbi Benjamin is on Plane "R" in the Gospel Age
- 9 A Nehemiah is on Plane "N" during the Ages to Come
- 10 ▲ Noah is on Plane "N" between the World that Was and the Patriarchal Age
- 11 ▲ Enubu is part of Pyramid "W" in the Messianic Age on Plane "N"
- 12 ▲ Amanlebab is part of truncated Pyramid "e" in the Jewish Age on Plane "P"
- 13 ▲ Thomas is part of Pyramid "s" in the Gospel Harvest
- 14 ▲ Jesus is Pyramid "g" on Plane "N" in the Jewish Harvest
- 15 ▲ Abel is on Plane "N" in the World that Was
- 16 ▲ Elisabeth is in the Jewish Age Harvest on Plane "P"
- 17 ▲ Father Rigby is part of either truncated Pyramid "u" or "v" in the Gospel Harvest
- 18 ▲ Abraham is Pyramid "c" in the Patriarchal Age on Plane" N"
- 19 ▲ Micah is part of truncated Pyramid "z" in the Messianic Age
- 20 ▲ Gladius Arilius is part of truncated Pyramid "n" in the Gospel Age
- 21 ▲ Moshi is part of truncated Pyramid "z" in the Messianic Age
- 22 ▲ Adam is Pyramid "a" on Plane "N"
- 23 ▲ Romulus is part of truncated Pyramid "W" in the Messianic Age on Plane "N"
- 24 ▲ Obadiah is part of truncated Pyramid "e" in the Jewish Age on Plane "P"