

Geography and Chronology

Spring Branch Academy – Elementary Year 1

Introduction Chant

One, two, three, four,
seven, ten, and twelve,
Four-dee, sev'n-dee,
tell the story well!

One

A moment, a location—a point in time and space.

Time and space,
Time and space,
How *big* is our God!
How *small* is our place!
A **moment** in time,
A **location** in space,
Yet God became man,
To *dwell* in our place!
Yet God became man,
To *die* in our place!
How *big* is our God!
How *great* is His grace!

Horizontal, horizontal, vertical, vertical
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Hands arching over the two axes
A little pinch near the origin of the two axes
Horizontal, then the pinch at the origin
Vertical, then a pinch at the origin
Point from above
To the pinch at the origin
Hands up high, then forward and slightly down
Hands out wide
Hands circle up and circle out a couple times
Hands out wide

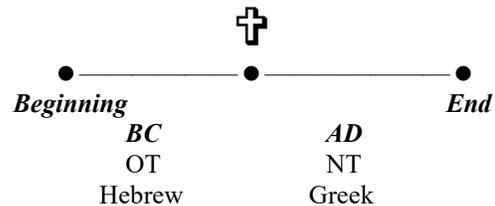
Two

*Visible/Invisible
Beginning/End, BC/AD*

Two Realms of Space and Beyond

Invisible – not seen
Visible – seen

Two Realms of Time and Beyond



BC = before Christ

AD = *anno domini* (Lat. “in the year of our Lord”)

Three

*Heavens, Earth, and Sea
Yesterday, Today, and Tomorrow
Past, Present, and Future*

Three Levels of Space

Heavens – like the stars of the heavens
Earth – like the dust of the earth
Sea – like the sand on the seashore

“...that at the name of Jesus,
every knee shall bow,
of those in the **heavens**
and of those **upon the earth**
and of those **under the earth**”
—Philippians 2:10

Three Stages in Time

Past – Present – Future

“I am...the One **who is** and **who was**
and **who is to come**, the Almighty.”
—Revelation 1:8

Yesterday – Today – Tomorrow

“Jesus Christ, **yesterday** and **today** the same,
even **forever**.”
—Hebrews 13:8

Four

*Spring and Summer, Fall and Winter
North and South, East and West*

Four Seasons of Time

Spring and Summer, Fall and Winter

“While the earth remains, *seedtime* and *harvest*,
and cold and heat, and *summer* and *winter*,
and day and night shall not cease.”

—Genesis 8:22

Four Directions in Space

North and South, East and West

“After that I saw four angels
standing at the **four corners** of the earth,
holding back the **four winds** of the earth...”

—Revelation 7:1

Seven

Sing the Revelation Seven Song with gusto!

Seven seals, seven trumpets,
Seven bowls lead to judgment;
Are you ready for that final day?
Sealed in Christ, we are forgiven,
Saved from wrath and bound for heaven;
Jesus is the sinner’s only Way.

Four Directions on Our Globe

North and south, east and west—
Now grab a globe and pass the test:
Longitude and *latitude*,
The “long” one has no “flatitude”!

Mediterranean and Mesopotamia

The sea in the middle of the land,
The land in the middle of the rivers,
And Israel in the middle of the middles.

Ten

Ten plagues in Egypt, 

Ten commandments at Sinai, 

Ten unbelieving spies at Kadesh,


And ten times of testing God in the Wilderness. 

Twelve

Twelve **hours** before sunrise,
Twelve **hours** after sunrise—
For **twelve months** in a year.
Twelve **tribes** before “Son-rise”,
Twelve **apostles** after “Son-rise”—
But *when will Christ appear?*



BC / AD

Forty

This sequence is the history of the entire Bible!

For this poem, write on the board:

40-4-400-40-400-40-70-400-40-Servant-40

Then point to each number as the poem is recited.

Forty days of the Flood,
Four generations of Fathers,
Four hundred years to Slavery.
Forty years in the Exodus,
Four hundred years in the Land.
Four hundred *more* years in the Land,
Seventy years in Exile,
Four hundred years of Silence.
Forty days of no Food—
A Servant until the Ascension—
Forty days to Outpouring.

Seventy

Seventy **years** is all we get—
Or if, by strength, it’s eighty;
Seventy **times** is what we get,
When somehow something’s weighty:

Seventy sons of **Jacob**,
And seventy elders of **Moses**;
Seventy sons of **Gideon**,
And seventy years in **Babylon**;
Seventy sent by **Jesus**,
And seventy men condemned Him—
And, as a result, the **Temple** went out,
In the seventieth year of our Lord.