
About the Pathfinder Bible Experience

The *Pathfinder Bible Experience* is a team based challenge that tests the groups knowledge of sections of scripture. Each year a new block of scripture is assigned and excited Pathfinders commit themselves to immersing themselves in those passages of God's Word.

Then in February, after months of study, they gather together with other teams in their area to test their knowledge against a set of questions drawn from the scriptures they have been covering.

If they answer a high enough percentage of the questions correctly, they advance to a Conference level event, then a Union level, and finally a Division level event, typically held in April.

Each team competes against a standard, and all who perform to the designated percentage advance. Meeting together adds a sense of excitement and an additional level of adrenaline that spurs participants on to higher levels of recall. Yet any and all can advance, based solely on their efforts.

What about Bible Bowl?

There are dozens, perhaps hundreds of Bible Quiz programs out there. Many of them called *Bible Bowl* or some form of that name. There are close to a dozen originating in the Adventist Church in North America alone. All offer their own unique methodologies and guidelines, and have their own dedicated leadership teams and followings. However, *The Pathfinder Bible Experience* is the official NAD Pathfinder Bible quiz program.

We like our way. Do we have to switch?

NAD Pathfinder Ministry does not require that Pathfinder clubs, conferences or unions in North America use *The Pathfinder Bible Experience* as their model. They are welcome to continue with whatever program they have been using, or even come up with a new one if they so choose.

In fact, if a club, conference or union chooses to use another model, they are still welcome to join in with *The Pathfinder Bible Experience*. They would register to enter play at the level above where their model stops. The only requirement is that the team must have completed the prior level at the same percentage that *The Pathfinder Bible Experience* requires to advance.

Please recognize that if you participate in a different model at lower levels of play, you will have to deal with various disadvantages as the method of play will be different.

And of course you have to have studied the passages of scripture that are being used by *The Pathfinder Bible Experience* that year, or you would be at a terrible disadvantage. Leaders of the three most common current models used by Adventists in North America have agreed to coordinate the selection of scripture to be covered each year, so this should make it easier to cross over if you so choose.