



# smartfaith

Portable, Practical  
and Applicable



# **Advantages**

**They were personal**

**They were adaptable**

**They became connection points**



# Disadvantages

**The desktop computer requires you be connected to static power source**

**The desktop also required you be connected to a static data port**



**There is an actual point  
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# Law

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entering the promise land**



**The faith theme is to show how  
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(A Connecting Point)**



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# Major and Minor Prophets



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# Who is God? Authoritative



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# Jealous God

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