

Sermon Discussion Guide

The Gospel in Genesis: Week 3

Prayer

Take a few moments at the beginning and end of your group time to pray for each other and for your discussion in God's Word.

Read

Genesis 1:14-25

Main Ideas

This week's message examined days 4-6 of the creation account in Genesis 1. Our passage showed us several things about God's creation- that it is good, even though it is not God, and that it is blessed. Creation is one of the clearest signs of God's vast power, His intentionality, and His creativity.

In it, we are reminded that we have unique significance and purpose in caring for the things God has made.

Discussion Questions

1. What's the most beautiful place in the world you've been to? What's a place that you want to go to?
2. When you think of God creating not just our world, but the entire universe, what comes to mind?
 - a. What do we learn about God by thinking about the vastness of creation?
 - b. Does thinking about the size of the universe make you feel small or insignificant? Should it?
3. What is the significance of God's first blessing being to animals?
 - a. What is our role as the Church in caring for God's creation?
 - b. What things can we do to care for the things God has made?
4. As a group, read Romans 1:19-20.
 - a. What does the beauty, complexity, and creativity of our world show us about God?
 - b. Have you ever experienced God differently out in nature?
 - c. Is there a place you can go to where you feel closer to God?
 - d. What is something you can do to experience God in the world, even in a Chicago winter?
5. Where do we see the Gospel in this section of Genesis 1?