

Week 1

Readings 1 -3

(You can use this worksheet with the reflect sections in your book, The Essential Bible Guide)

Genesis 1-2

1. How did God speak to you through his word this week?*(make sure you post your "God Connections" on a post-it provided for you on the back wall of the gym at Rez)*
2. This is not only a book *about* God; it's also a book *by* God. Who else did He inspire to create the words of the Bible? Read 2 Peter 1:21 & 2 Timothy 3:16-17
3. In Genesis 1:1-2:3 the bible tackles one of life's biggest questions, creation. In seven days we get an overview of that creation. What are some of the details you noticed as God explains what He created?
4. In Genesis 2:4-25 God tells us about the creation of humankind. Both man and woman reflect His image (1:27). What are at least two other distinctive traits human beings possess? (2:7 & 2:16-17). Explain.

Genesis 3

1. God gave the definition of right and wrong in Genesis 2:16-17. In Genesis 3:1-6 what are the "original sins" Adam and Eve commit?

2. What were some of the consequences of their sin? (3:16-19) Can you imagine what it would be like if your relationships were always satisfying and our work was always meaningful?
3. What was the biggest consequence of sin? (3:8-24) How had their close fellowship with God changed?

Genesis 6:5-7:24

1. In Genesis 6:5-7 shows us how far from God sin can take us. Does this mean God regretted creating humanity? Was He admitting he made a mistake? (Read 1 Samuel 15:29) Why do you think God had to go to those drastic measures?
2. Why was God so please with Noah? (Genesis 6:22; 7:5)
3. Genesis 7:6-16 Have you ever wondered how all those animals got in the ark? While Noah was doing as God commanded, God took care of the details. Do you ever worry about the details you have no control over? Think about a time when God gave you a task (big or small), did you do what was in your control and let God take care of the details? Explain yes or no.

4. (Genesis 6:18-7:24) Why do you think God started over? Are you seeking His plan for your life today?