



Calvary Chapel El Cajon Men's Bible Study

WHO, WHAT, & WHY

CREATION – God Makes, PT. 2

History has a beginning. The Bible begins with God and the Creative act that sent time into motion. As we study the essential doctrines of the church, we must address the origin of man and the universe itself. Scripture gives us the account of this origin in Genesis 1 and 2. These first chapters of the Bible have sparked many debates over the years inside and outside the church. As we begin our study, let us take care to be faithful to what Scripture reveals about creation and be content with the mystery in the areas it is silent.

NOTE: These questions help lay the groundwork for what we will be talking about next week. You will likely not know all the answers, but the questions and Bible verses will help you to begin thinking through these truths. **Pray, read the Scriptures listed, and give it your best shot.**

Read Genesis 1:1-2:7

1. Below are **8 main truths** we learn from the doctrine of Creation. What is the personal significance to you for each one?
 - 1) God created the heavens and the earth.

 - 2) He created the universe out of nothing (ex nihilo).

 - 3) He created the universe to show His glory.

- 4) The universe God created was very good.
- 5) There will be no final conflict between Scripture and science.
- 6) Creation is dependent upon God; God is independent from Creation.
- 7) He created man as a special creation.
- 8) Any theories that deny any of the above must be rejected.

2. Why is Creation an essential doctrine?

a. Why is learning about this doctrine important?

3. How does your life look different with the perspective of God as Author and Subject of History?

4. What is the main thing you learned about the Trinity from these pages?

5. What is the main question that you have that you will bring to your group the next time we meet?

Prayer: Reflect and meditate on the work of Creation and what it reveals about the glory of God.

Pray that we would worship the Creator and not Creation.

Pray for a God-centered perspective of history.

Pray for those who do not yet know Jesus, that they would see the glory of God in Creation itself.

*For by Him all things were created that are in heaven
and that are on earth, visible and invisible,
whether thrones or dominions or principalities or powers.
All things were created through Him and for Him.*

- Colossians 1:16