

Sunday, October 22, 2023 - "Genesis - Week 5 - Adam's Family" - Doug Kempton

Key Passages: Genesis 5:1-32, Hebrews 4:12, Psalm 49:15

- Feel free to read the passage(s) out loud as a group
- Allow the group to share freely about what stood out to them from the passage or from Sunday's message

Main Ideas

- Hebrews 4: 12 - this is the inspired word of God...even if we have read it before, God can do something new
- Theme of Genesis = The grace of God
 - He restored Adam and Eve before they repented
 - Towards Cain the murderer
 - Grace is the thing that distinguishes Christianity from all other religions (while we were sinners)
- Broader purpose of Genesis: intro to Exodus story, who you are and who God is
- Over 200 times there is call to REMEMBER...Genesis helped them to see
- Genesis clarifies identity and purpose (Israelites were influenced by Egyptian religion and culture)
- They were taught that Egyptians descended from royalty
 - Israelites taught they were less than
 - Satan wants you to think you're superior so you mistreat or inferior so you feel less than
 - Genesis 5 - messianic line from Adam
- God created you
 - As an image bearer
 - Divine identity and divine purpose
- Chapter 5 is in contrast to chapter 4
 - Ch 4: the growing power of generational sin
 - Ch 5: God's redemptive plan to address sin
 - Noah = reset, relief
 - Part of resetting the world
- v23-24: Enoch
 - He doesn't die...taken to be with God
 - Good things happen when you walk with God
 - Walk is a picture of intimacy and relationship...not complicated but not easy
 - His is a story to be celebrated even though he was young
- There is something more valuable than log life
- Psalm 49:15 - Going to be with God is something to be celebrated
 - Better that awaits us
 - The loss that confronts us
- There is a rich reward for those that walk faithfully with God
- Chapter 5 - In Jesus, you are royalty...Equipped to do what has called us to do → Bring the kingdom of God into every relationship that we have

Questions (Feel free to use all of these, some of these, or none of these)

1. How have you experienced the grace of God in your life recently?
2. How do you think your view of God shapes the way you think and what you do?
3. What does it look like for you personally to walk with God?
4. How is God calling you to walk faithfully with him in this season?
5. What does it mean to bring the kingdom of God into every relationship that you have?
6. What is God inviting you into as a result of this message or passage?

Songs from the weekend:

[In Jesus' name - *Israel Houghton*] - [Raise a Hallelujah - *Bethel Music*] - [Promises - *Maverick City*] - [Worthy of It All - *Bethel Music*]