

Tuesday Bible Study: Week 2

# Genesis 1:26-2:3



September 17, 2024

1. Opening icebreaker: Did you learn anything in today's reading/lecture that was new or thought provoking? What would you like to know more about?
  
2. What does the term "human nature" mean to you? How would you describe human nature?
  
3. How is the account of creation on the sixth day similar to the preceding days? How is it different? What stands out to you most about this day?
  - a. What do these differences or similarities suggest about mankind's role in creation and in the cosmos?
  
4. What do you think it means to be made in the image of God?
  - a. What, in your opinion, does being made in God's image imply about our responsibilities toward one another?

5. What "signs of abundant life" do you see in your life, family, or church? What gifts, skills, or areas would you like to see "be fruitful and multiply" (Genesis 1:22)?
  
6. What does the word "dominion" mean to you? Do you feel positively or negatively about this word? What would it look for humans to "have dominion" (Genesis 1:28) in a way that is holy and life-giving?
  
7. Read Colossians 1:15-17. What similarities do you see to what we read in Genesis?
  - a. What does this tell us about who Jesus is and his relationship to us?
  
8. Why does scripture command us to keep Sabbath (see Genesis 2:2-3 and Exodus 20:8-11)?
  - a. Do you have a personal practice of sabbath keeping? How does this discipline impact your spiritual life? If you don't keep sabbath, how might adopting a sabbath practice change your understanding of work and rest?