

Discussion of Week 1 - Creating Eden

INTRODUCTION

We're going through a study called "Cover to Cover: A 50-Day Flyover of the Bible." By reading approximately 1-2 chapters a day and watching a few 5-8 minute videos from the Bible Project each week, we'll discover the answers to some of life's biggest questions and come to a better, more helpful understanding of the Christian faith and the beauty of its promise for the world.

This week, we're discussing the readings, videos, and message from Week 1 titled "Creating Eden."

REVIEW & DISCUSS

1. What stood out to you from last week's readings, videos, and message?
2. What did you learn about the primary intent of Genesis 1 and 2?
3. What does it mean to be created in the image of God?
4. What is the Garden of Eden and the Tree of Life?
5. What were humans invited to do in the Garden?
6. What is the Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil and how is it different from the Tree of Life?
7. The layout of the Garden of Eden is similar to the layout of the Tabernacle (used after the Exodus), the Temple (built by King Solomon), and the ministry of Jesus. What are the similarities?
8. Why were Adam and Eve removed from the Garden?
9. What does God promise to do so that humans can regain access to the sacred space and fulfill their roles as royal priests?
10. What's it going to take for God to restore Eden on Earth?

TAKEAWAY

1. How does this week change your view of the Bible and God's intent for humans?
2. What role do you play in Restoring Eden?

PRAYER

First, take some time to ask people to identify prayer needs related to the discussion. Second, take some time to ask for additional prayer requests. Then close your time together in prayer.