10,000 Foot View

Week 1: Creation/Fall Week 2: Patriarchs of Israel Week 3: Exodus Week 4: Kings/Exiles Week 5: Jesus Week 6: Early Church Week 7: The Church Continues

Week 8: New Creation

Metanarrative:

The overarching story of the Bible; all parts of the Bible point to—the story of creation, the fall, redemption, and restoration. Imagine an umbrella over all Scripture, and all of it points to Jesus Christ, present at creation, the hope in the fall, our Redeemer, and promise of complete restoration. As you read the Scripture, look at how each part fits into this story.

Week 1: Creation/Rebellion

Day 1: Genesis 1:1-2:3

What stuck out to you in this passage? (i.e. something confusing? Cool? surprising?)

What did you learn about God's character in this passage?

How does that aspect of God apply to you today?

Prayer Prompt: As you now pray, thank God for His characteristic you saw in this passage today. Ask Him to help you apply this learning to your life today.

Day 2: Psalm 104:10-13

(want to read more? read the whole chapter!)

What is your favorite image from these verses?

With God continually sustaining creation, how does that impact you today?

Prayer Prompt: As you now pray, thank God for at least two specific parts of His creation. Ask Him to help you see how He is sustaining creation all around you today.

Day 3: John 1:1-5

Where do we see parts of the metanarrative (creation, fall, redemption, restoration) in this passage?

How does God as Creator and light bring you comfort today?

Who is this light and what does He bring?

Prayer Prompt: As you now pray, thank God for the new life we have in Him. Ask Him to help you share the life to Jesus with someone else today.

Day 4: John 3:18-21

What parts of your life are part of darkness?

Where is God working light (or prompting light) in your life?

Prayer Prompt: As you now pray, confess those areas of darkness—sin, temptation, addictions, etc.—to God. Thank Him for being the light to forgive you and help you out of the darkness.

Day 5: Genesis 3

What stuck out to you in this passage? (i.e. Something confusing? Cool? Surprising?)

What did you learn about God's character in this passage?

Where do you see evidence of the fall/sin/brokenness today?

Prayer Prompt.

As you now pray, confess those areas of darkness—sin temptation, addictions, etc.—to God. Thank Him for His forgiveness He pours on you. Ask Him to help you share this same forgiveness with others today.

Day 6: Romans 3:10-24

(Want to read more? Romans 8:18-28)

According to verses 10-20, are we able to save ourselves?

Read verse 24 again.

How are we justified (made right; "just as if I had not sinned")?

Prayer Prompt.

As you now pray, confess those times you live as if you save yourself and do not acknowledge His work. Thank God for the *gift* of forgiveness, grace, and redemption (being saved). Ask Him to open your eyes to whom you can share this *gift* with today.