

Genesis 2:4-17 – Bible Study

Ice-breaker question:

Do you enjoy Gardening? If so, what do you enjoy about it?

Read:

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General question:

What stands out to you from this passage?

Further questions:

1. God bring life out of barren beginnings (v5-7)

- a. God breaths life into the 'man'. What does this tell us about God? And what does it tell us about 'man's' relationship to God?
- b. If you feel able to share... Are there any areas of your life that seem barren at the moment?
- c. Reflect on the words from the second verse of the hymn 'I will Tell the Wonderous Story' (below) that Nat quoted from on Sunday. What stands out to you?

*I was bruised, but Jesus healed me;
Faint was I from many a fall;
Sight was gone, and fears possessed me,
But He freed me from them all.
Days of darkness still come o'er me,
Sorrow's paths I often tread,
But the Savior still is with me;
By His hand I'm safely led.*

2. God creates glorious goodness (v8-14)

- a. What do you love most about God's creation? Where is a special place for you that you love to go to?
- b. Discuss the way that the 2 trees, set in the garden by God, represent our relationship with him - our daily need for him, and our daily decision to trust in him... Do you find trusting God easy or hard?
- c. How easy do you find it to believe that God is good, and his ways are always good?
- d. Are there any circumstances in your life that are currently challenging the truth that God is good?

3. God gives humanity a task (v15-17)

- a. How can we practically make sure that we are caring for God's creation?
- b. What has God given you to do that needs "work and care"?
- c. What do you see as your primary role and responsibility in life? Are you making enough time for that role/responsibility?
- d. Discuss the relationship between freedom and restrictions (v16-17). Can you have freedom without restrictions?