



3 Key Questions to Guide Your Bible Study

INTRO TO GENESIS

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“In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth.” Genesis 1:1

1. What does it say? (Observation)

- A. Print a copy. Write all over it.
- B. Read, reread, read it again. Different versions.
- C. Ask who, what, when, where, and how?
- D. Note key words, thoughts, ideas, repetition.
- E. Note anything confusing or questions you have.

2. What does it mean? (Interpretation)

- A. Try and rewrite it in your own words, still true to its original meaning. Wrestle with the text **ON YOUR OWN.**
- B. Look up unfamiliar words (in a regular dictionary).
- C. What did I learn about God? Mankind? Myself?
- D. Cross-references – similar theme, words, ideas
- E. What's the main thing? The big idea?

3. How should it change me? (Application)

- A. How does God want me to respond to Him?
- B. What change needs to happen as a result of studying this passage?
- C. How does this apply to my life today?
- D. Note: it may not always be “do something.” It may be just to learn, believe, or accept what you read.



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Discussion Questions

1. Getting to know your group: Go around the table and share a little about yourself and how you came to join us for study.
2. Together, read through our Bible Study Guidelines (in your notebook) and commit to upholding these.
3. Meet your Global Partner and discuss with your leader what this partnership means.
4. What do you hope to get out of our study together this year? Do you have any questions on how to study as we begin Genesis?