

January 5-11, 2018
Community Group Questions
God Creates

Warm-up: What part of God's creation do you find the most beautiful? How does it remind you of Him? (i.e. sunset, dogs, etc.)

Open in **prayer** and ask the Holy Spirit to speak through the Word. (please save time for group prayer at the end)

Read: Genesis 1:1-31 as a group. As a way of listening to God's word, one suggestion is to read it slower than normal and allow the words to sink in or stand out more.

1. What did the Holy Spirit show you in this passage or from the message this past weekend?

2. Is there any part of the creation narrative that you struggle to understand or believe? Does it make you wrestle with your faith in Jesus?

3. Read John 1:1-5 & Colossians 1:16-17. What is your initial response to Colossians 1:16? Why is it impossible to reject Jesus and fully embrace creation? It comes down to authority; that every creation is subject to the creator and made for their intended purposes.

Application: Do you live your life as one created especially for Jesus? Think about your agenda, your goals, your plans, your calendar, and your motives. Can you honestly say that you thrive on living for His glory and not your own? None of us do that perfectly! God has been gracious to us by sending Jesus to die for our sins of self-centeredness. God gives every Christian the opportunity to repent of that continual sin and grow in faith, recognizing Jesus' lordship and living for His glory. Consider areas of your life that you must submit to Jesus' fame and not your own. If you are not yet a believer, today is the day of salvation. Repent of your sins because Jesus died for them. Trust in Jesus because He rose from the dead and is the living Lord. Submit your life to Him!

Share and Prayer: Share how you will apply specifically in your life and pray for each other.