



Week of March 30, 2025

Reverse the Curse

"Creation & Curse"

OPENING QUESTIONS:

What ways do you see God's order and design in our universe? Which ones are most awe inspiring to you? Why?

If you would like to evaluate your Life Group's focus on the purposes of Life Groups, click <u>HERE</u> to discuss with your group. (See attached sheet if using a paper copy from the church.)

BIBLE READING:

Share what you read from the Bible this week and how it impacted you.

Suggested YouVersion Plan: Creation: How Firm a Foundation

DISCUSSION:

- As you reflect on Sunday's message, what one principle or insight stands out as being particularly helpful, insightful, and/or challenging?
- Read Genesis 1:1-2 and John 1:1? What do these verses tell us about God?
- Read <u>Genesis 1:3-31</u>. What are some of the significant things that were established by God in creation? (Consider order, the value of human life, Sabbath, work, free will, gender, marriage, sexual intimacy, and a relationship with God) Which of these stood out to you the most and why?
- In light of God's original "very good" design, what aspects of our current world do you see as being affected by the "curse" of sin? Explain how those aspects are different now than when established by God in the beginning.
- Read <u>Genesis 3:1-5</u>. What were the lies the serpent told Eve? What was Eve's misunderstanding or misquote of God's command? How might this have contributed to her decision to eat the fruit?

- One of the central themes of Genesis is that God will provide "good" for man if he will only trust and obey Him. Why do we switch our focus from God's freedom to God's restriction still today? How does this affect our relationship with God?
- How is this sermon relevant to your life today?

PRAY:

- Spend a few moments thanking God for the beauty, order, and provision of His creation as described in Genesis 1 and 2. Thank Him for establishing order.
- Pray for God to reveal any areas in your own life where you may be believing lies or straying from His good design. Ask for strength to choose obedience and trust in God.

CHALLENGE/ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- If your group provides childcare, please review the childcare guideline document <u>HERE</u>. We appreciate your help in keeping our kids and areas safe. ©
- Be praying now about who you can personally invite to Easter Service with you on April 19th or 20th.