

Gospel According to Genesis

Week 4

Community Group Guide

Prayer: (1-2 mins)

Lord, please open our eyes to the truth of your word. We pray for wisdom as we prepare to read your word, clarity for while we read, and discernment as we apply your word to our hearts. Let your word change our actions. We pray the truth we find here will transform our heart and mind to follow more after you. Amen.

Introduction: (2 mins)

Week 4 in the series The Gospel According to Genesis

Pastor Shannon said:

Genesis points toward the necessity of salvation, the gospel of Jesus Christ!

Abrahamic Covenant

Abraham - he's an important character who takes up a good bit of Genesis.

In Genesis 17 God promises that he would make his descendants as numerous as the stars in the sky and he keeps repeating his promises over and over again to Abraham

Read: (2 mins) Main Passage

Genesis 17:1-8

Watch: (4 mins) / have someone write down the scriptures referenced in the video

The Spoken Gospel on Youtube

<https://youtu.be/icEA6JHdnV0>

or go to

<https://www.spokengospel.com/books/devotionals/genesis-17-1815>

Search: (2 mins)

Have group members look up the scriptures referenced in the video to read them as they are discussed.

Discuss: (10-15 mins)

Discuss Genesis 17:1-8 and the video.

- During the discussion be ready to read the scriptures referenced in the video.

- What was said in the video you may not have known or considered before?

Message Recap: (10-15 mins) / this section will contain main points or scriptures to read, discuss, ask questions.

Definition of Covenant:

A covenant formally binds two parties together in a relationship on the basis of mutual commitment.

Covenant is not something we get into it in a casual way and we walk away whenever we don't feel like participating.

Covenant is not something where one party is completely and totally responsible. There is a mutual personal commitment inside of this relationship.

God deals in covenants, not convenience.

We deal with God in convenience. God deals with us in covenants.

Discuss & Application: (10-15 mins)

Discuss and apply scripture to the distorted mindsets.

Distorted Mindset #1:

I am afraid of being discarded by God because I have been discarded by people.

Read: Romans 8:38-39

How does God's word speak to this mindset?

Distorted Mindset #2:

God should always forgive me and love me no matter what I do!

Read: Hebrews 10:11-12a

How does God's word speak to this mindset?

Close in Prayer

I pray that the Holy Spirit will show you a God, grieved by sin, who goes to great lengths to save those who hate him. And that you would be given eyes to see Jesus as the one who falls under the flood of God's judgement for us so that we can be saved. Amen.