

DIGGING DEEPER

Creation

SUNDAY RECAP

We begun a new series, **Covenant God**, exploring our covenant-making and covenant-keeping God. Sunday's focus was introductory and God as Creator. Before starting the questions with your group, invite God to reveal Himself through His Word and by His Spirit during your discussion.

READ THE KEY PASSAGE: Genesis 1:1-5, 26-27, 31

DISCUSSION GUIDE

- 1. A.W. Tozer wrote: "What comes into our minds when we think about God is the most important thing about us." When you picture God, what comes to mind first? How has that image been shaped by your upbringing, culture, or personal experiences?
- 2. In Genesis 1, God brings light and order where there was darkness and emptiness. Where do you see chaos or "formlessness" in your own life right now? What might it look like to invite God's order and purpose into that space?
- 3. Everything God makes is called good, and people are called very good. How does knowing you are created in God's image shape the way you think about your worth, dignity, and purpose?
- 4. What are some areas in your life where you struggle to believe "everything God does is good"?
- 5. Pastor Donny said "When we engage Scripture and allow God to speak into our lives, His purposes shape us." Share about a time when Scripture "spoke" to you personally and brought clarity, conviction, or comfort.

GROUP PRAYER TIME: Share any personal requests before praying together. Spend time thanking God for His goodness and asking Him to bring order to areas of chaos in each group member's life. Pray for a fresh vision of who God truly is.

RESOURCES: For those interested in series resources referenced in the message

- The Bible Project <u>Covenant Video</u> (bibleproject.com/videos/covenants)
- Miracles by C.S.Lewis
- The Knowledge of the Holy A.W. Tozer
- Tim Keller's sermon "covenant relationships"

MORE WAYS TO ENGAGE: Fair Oaks Church Sermon Podcast (Apple Podcasts & Spotify) to listen to just the message. Check out **Cutting Room Floor** episodes that further unpack sermons and insights from preachers.

UPCOMING EVENTS Learn more at fairoaks.church/events

- 9/10: Meet Our Missionaries | 6-8p | FLC | Tacos provided, dessert potluck
- 9/10: Hope Gathering for Widows | 6-8p | Potluck Dinner | FLC AMC
- 9/12: Food Distribution at FO/OV Food Bank | 9a-12:30p | Sign up to serve
- 9/14: Food Drive | Drop items in lobby
- 9/14: Moms Group | Lunch & fellowship | 12p | KAY Cafe | RSVP online
- 9/17: Family Gathering VI | 6:30-7:30p | submit Qs ahead of time | childcare available
- 9/21: Partnership Track | 12p-4p | Lunch provided, RSVP online | Childcare available
- 9/19-9/21: Men's Retreat at Camp Alta | Cost: \$245/each | Register online
- 9/28: Worship & Prayer Night | 6:30p | Wells Chapel | RSVP for childcare
- 10/25: **Trunk or Treat** | 6-7:30p | Front parking lot | Sign up to help online

