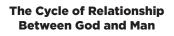


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God creates (again)

God redeems





God restores



Relationship breaks

# **Chapter 1: God Created**

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The creation story revealed four important words:

**Spirit, Light, Good and Life** (all descriptors of God in the New Testament)

<u>Humankind</u> is not the point of Creation God is the <u>pinnacle</u> of Creation

### Chapters 2-3: Creation of People and the Fall of Man

God Creates Eve—first wedding (interesting dress code) Satan is introduced

With sin, there is always a price to pay

# Chapter 4: An Expanding Family — Cain and Abel

Cain's great difficulty is that he could not master his <u>sin</u>

Chapter 5: Genealogy: God Limits Human Lifespan

### Chapters 6-8: Noah and the Ark

Flood, boat, and animal story that wrestles with obedience, grace, justice and love

### **Chapter 9: Drunk Noah**

Timeless truth: <u>alcohol</u> can really mess up your life

<u>Sin</u> didn't drown in the flood

# **Chapter 10: More Genealogy**

# **Chapter 11: The Tower of Babel**

A story about <u>independence</u> from God The Lesson: Life with God is simply the <u>best way to live</u>

# Chapter 12-16 Begins the Story of Abraham, The Father of Our Faith

Huge Promise: Through him would come a nation that would bless the nations

In faith, Abraham actively pursued God

"Do not be afraid" — fear inhibits faith

When God creates plan A, do not create Plan B

The <u>waiting</u> time is never <u>wasting</u> time in God's plan

#### Next Steps

- Read Genesis 1-16 this week. Where would you say are you right now in the cycle of relationship with God (see diagram) ?
- Binge watch sermon videos from last summer's Genesis series
- Read Genesis 18 to get ready for next week

#### **Small Group Questions**

- If you heard the series last summer, do you remember a favorite story, idea, or principle from the book of Genesis?
- 2) There is a cycle that happens over and over again in the Bible: God creates, God connects, we sin, relationship breaks, God restores, God redeems, and God creates again. Where are you in this cycle? Why?
- 3) Read Genesis 17. Imagine God coming to you with the impossible. How do you think you'd respond?
- 4) In Genesis 17:1, God told Abram, "Walk before me faithfully and be blameless." Why do you think God gave that command? Why is that important?
- 5) How can we pray for you right now and throughout the week?