

## **GROUP QUESTIONS: Genesis with Pastor Mindy**

1. Would you rather travel back in time or forward?
2. Take a minute to summarize with your group the main point of the message from Sunday and/or briefly share what stood out to you the most.
3. Pastor Mindy said we are people who ask a lot of 'why' questions. As human beings we are meaning makers. Do you find this to be true? If yes, how does this show up in your life?
4. When reading the Bible, one of our "jobs" is to remember that it is an ancient text written to an ancient people. What were some of the things ancient people assumed or thought which are different from what we think today, especially in the context of the story of Noah and the flood?
5. What were ancient writers possibly trying to do/say when they wrote about the flood? How did they use this story to talk about what their God was like?
6. Pastor Mindy said anxiety is often connected with asking why because we often ask why in situations that make us uncomfortable. She said that one of the ways to live with anxiety is to keep walking in the unknown. Does this resonate with you? What does this make you think of?
7. Pastor Mindy asked - What if asking the questions, the why questions, is the seeking and the finding in life isn't necessarily the knowledge, the right or wrong explanation or answer, we find? What if the success is

the experience? The experience of learning to walk in the truth with God and one another is the success and maybe even the real goal. Arthur Ashe says, "Success is a journey, not a destination. The doing is often more important than the outcome." Discuss these ideas.