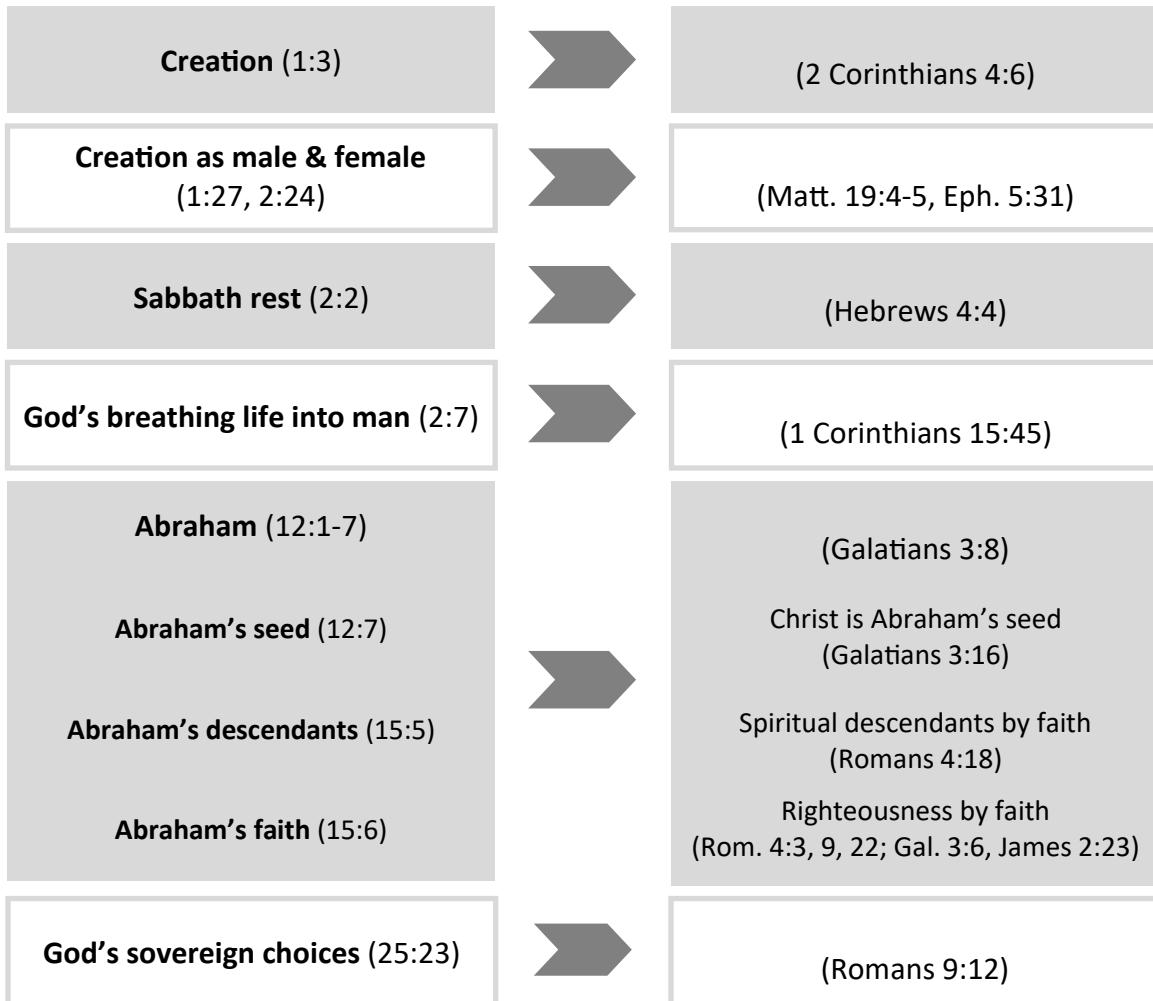


What in the World is God Doing?

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Genesis is the BEGINNING and it points forward:



Notice how all these important biblical themes are under attack in our society:

1. Creation (evolution)
2. Male/female (gender)
3. Rest (busy-ness)
4. Resurrection (this life is all there is)
5. Righteousness by faith (try to earn favor with God)
6. God's sovereignty (OUR sovereignty)

Challenges:

- Let's have a _____ and build our lives, homes, and church around it.
- Let's _____ God.
- Let's gain a new appreciation for _____.

Discussion Questions:

1. What is one thing that God has taught you from the book of Genesis that helps you in your Christian life and ministry?
2. Which of the six ways that Genesis points forward to the New Testament speaks to you right now, and why?
3. Can you give any additional evidence to reinforce any of the six biblical themes that are under attack in our society?



Questions for Parents to use with their children:

1. What do you think “Genesis” means? Why would this book be important to its readers?

Answer: Beginnings. It gave its early readers an understanding of their origin, history, and in particular God and what he is doing.

2. As you think back over the book and the sermons covered, what was one thing about God that really helped you worship him? Why?

Answer: (example) God’s sovereignty. He showed his power and control over all things from creation to fulfilling his promises to the patriarchs. This same God is in control of your life.

3. Having walked through Genesis, how does the book point to Jesus?

Answer: Jesus was involved in creation (Colossians 1:16-17). Jesus is our sabbath rest (Hebrews 4). Jesus is Abraham’s seed (Galatians 3:16). Jesus is sovereign (Colossians 1:16-17).

4. What is the Holy Spirit promoting you to do next in light of our study of Genesis?