

Sermon Study Questions

Sunday April 3rd

1. Read Genesis 1:1-2
2. In what way does Genesis give us fuller, richer understanding of Scripture?
3. What does Genesis mean? What “origins” or “beginnings” do we find in Genesis?
4. In what way does Genesis give us greater meaning and purpose in life?
5. How does naturalism, materialism, and Darwinism erode meaning, purpose, morality, and hope?
6. Francis Schaeffer said that if he had one hour with a person on a plane who did not know the Lord that he would spend the first 55 minutes talking about creation in the image of God and where that man came from, and the last five minutes on the presentation of the gospel. Why would he say that and what do you think about that?
7. How is Genesis divided? Ch.1-11 deal with what? What are its major themes? Ch.12-50 deal with what? What are its major themes?
8. A key to studying Genesis is seen in noticing the key divisions marked off by the statement “these are the generations of,” which occur eleven times in Genesis. What is the author (whom most conservative scholars believe to be Moses) doing at these points?
9. What is Moses’ intent in Genesis ch.1-2? Is it to answer questions of how old the earth is, or is he writing this creation account for a different reason? What is it?
10. In v.1 we are introduced to God (Elohim). What do we learn about Him?
11. What does it mean that God is self-existent? Where do we see this in the text?
12. What does it mean that God is self-sufficient? Where do we see this in the text?
13. What are the implications to God being self-existent? How does our understanding of His self-existence relate to our ability to see our relationship to Him as one of grace?
14. Devote time to prayer!