

# Benesis Study Outline

Main Point: As the first book of the Bible, Genesis is considered to be the foundation by which the rest of scripture rests mainly because it "sets the stage" and "develops the narrative" for the rest of Scripture.

Referred to as the "Book of Beginnings" Genesis introduces the following concepts: creation, man, woman, redemption, sin, sabbath, marriage, family, labor, civilizations, culture, murder, sacrifice, races, language, love, grace & culture.

#### 1. Setting the Stage: Genesis 1-11

a. God & His Creation

b. Man & His Transgression

c. Grace & It's Remedy

d. Sin & It's Consequences

- Separation.... Out of the Garden

- Contentions.... Cain & Able

- Destruction.... Noah & The Flood

- Confusion.... Tower of Babel

Genesis 1-2

Genesis 3: 1-13

Genesis 3: 14-21

Genesis 3: 22-11: 32

Genesis 3: 22-24

Genesis 4-5

Genesis 6-10

Genesis 11

#### 2. Developing the Narrative: Genesis 12-50

a. God's Promises: The Man of Faith Genesis 12-23

Story of Abraham & Sarah

b. God's Provisions: The Beloved Son Genesis 24-26

Story of Isaac & Rebekah

c. God's Patience: Chosen & Chastened Genesis 27-36

Story of Jacob & His Family

d. God's Providence: Suffering & Salvation Genesis 37-50

Story of Joseph

Important Verse.... Gods promised Savior!

"And I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your seed and her Seed; He shall bruise your head and you shall bruise His heel." - Genesis 3:15



## Day 1: Lessons of the Fall....

Genesis 3: 1-24 // THINKING POINTS: (1). What tactics did Satan use to tempt Adam & Eve into eating the fruit? (2). Why does God give us the freedom to make our own decisions? (3). When Adam & Eve sinned they understood their nakedness and hid themselves.... what should this teach us about the nature of sin?

## Day 2: Pleasing God in a Corrupt Culture....

Genesis 6:1-22 // THINKING POINTS: (1). What does it mean that "Noah found grace in the eyes of the Lord? (2). What did Noah's faith and obedience costs him? (3). Though it had never rained before, Noah believed God and trusted His Word.... has God ever asked you to take a step of faith when you had no idea how it'll all work out?

## Day 3: Lay it on the Altar....

Genesis 22: 1-19 // THINKING POINTS: (1). How did Abraham's faith manifest itself in his life? (2). Does God demand all of our lives to be surrendered to Himself? (3). Are you willing to sacrifice the most important parts of your life (dreams, relationships, friends, etc) if God asked? (4). If so, what are they?

## Day 4: The Love Story....

**Genesis 24: 1-67 // THINKING POINTS:** (1). If Abraham was willing to provide a mate for Isaac, do you think God is willing to do the same for you? (2). Isaac's faith in his father was displayed in what way? (3). While we wait for God to bring the right person across our path, what should we be doing in the meantime?

## Day 5: Keep it in the Family....

**Genesis 38: 1-30 // THINKING POINTS:** (1). What do you learn about the nature of God from this story? (2). Was Tamar justified in her behavior? (3). Judah should be a lesson that your sin always finds you out... how should this lesson effect your current choices?

# Day 6: Running in the Nude....

Genesis 39: 1-23 // THINKING POINTS: (1). Though Joseph's life had taken a turn for the worse, what was his attitude like towards God and his current situation? (2). Joseph's strength to resist constant sexual temptation rested in what reality? (3). Joseph was willing to go to extreme measures to remain pure before God, are you?

