



Life Group  
Sermon Guide Questions  
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# The God Who Holds It All Together

GENESIS: FINAL REFLECTIONS

**Opening Discussion:** What were some of the biggest takeaways that you had from the book of Genesis?

1) The sermon argues that God—not Abraham, Jacob, Joseph, or any other person—is the main character of Genesis.

**Read Genesis 1:1, Genesis 12:1-3, Genesis 39:2-3, and Genesis 50:24–25:** What do these passages reveal about what God is doing throughout the book? How does putting God at the center change the way we read the stories of its human characters?

2) Genesis repeatedly emphasizes God's presence with His people.

**Read Genesis 26:23-25, Genesis 28:15-16, and Genesis 39:2-4, 21-23:** What do these passages teach us about God's presence? Notice that His presence doesn't always mean His people experience easy circumstances. What difference should God's presence make when our circumstances are difficult?

3) The sermon describes God as sovereign—even when His people cannot see what He is doing.

**Read Genesis 15:13-16 and Genesis 50:18-20:** What did God tell Abraham would happen generations before it happened? How does Joseph interpret the painful events of his own life in light of God's sovereignty? What might this teach us about interpreting our own circumstances?

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4) Genesis presents God as both an all-powerful cosmic sovereign and a deeply personal God who hears a single woman weeping alone in the wilderness – which of these two aspects of God’s character do you find hardest to hold onto in your daily life, and why?

5) Genesis contains many people with significant weaknesses and failures whom God nevertheless uses. Can you identify any of those failures or flaws from the characters in Genesis? What does the larger story teach us about God’s ability to work through imperfect people?

6) The sermon says that Genesis teaches us to “walk by faith, not by sight.”

**Read Genesis 12:1-4, Genesis 22:1-14, and Genesis 46:1-7:** In each passage, what did Abraham, Isaac, or Jacob know—and what did they not know? What did God ask them to do despite what they couldn’t see?

7) The sermon concludes that what we believe about God ultimately shapes how we live.

**Read Psalm 46:1-3, Romans 8:28-39, and Hebrews 11:1-3:** What do these passages say about God’s character, sovereignty, presence, and faithfulness? Which of these truths would most change the way you respond to uncertainty, suffering, failure, or the future?

8) After 50 chapters, the sermon’s final prayer is that we would “know God better, trust Him more, and live differently.”

Looking back through Genesis, choose one passage that has most shaped what you believe about God. Read it together. What does this passage teach you about God’s character? And what is one specific way you need to trust or respond to God differently because of what you have learned?



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