

Bible Challenge 2014
Going Deeper – Questions for Readings
Week 1

What does it say about human beings that we are made in the “image” of God (Genesis 1:27)? What responsibility, if any, does that place on us?

What does it mean to keep a day holy (Genesis 2:2-4)? How can we do that in our lives today?

How did Adam and Eve sin against God (Genesis 3:1-5)? What did that sin produce in Adam and Eve and how did it impact their relationship with God (Genesis 3:6-13)? What were the consequences of their sin (Genesis 3:16-19)? How has their “original sin” impacted humanity’s relationship with God since then?

What do we learn about the character of God from the story of Cain and Abel (Genesis 4)?

The Bible says that Adam lived for 930 years (Genesis 5:3-5) and that many of his early descendants lived for 800 years or more. Do you believe these men actually lived to be that old? If so, how do you explain their longevity of life?

What caused God to bring the great flood upon the earth in Genesis 6-8? Why were Noah and his family spared? What do we learn about the relationship between God and human beings from the Noah story?

What is a covenant? What is the covenant that God makes with Noah (Genesis 9:8-11)? Why is this important?

Why did God “confuse” the language of human beings when they were attempting to build the town and tower of Babel (Genesis 11:1-9)?

Place yourself in Job's shoes for a moment. How do you think you would respond to God if you had to endure the hardship and suffering that he did?

What do Job's three friends (Eliphaz, Bildad, and Zophar) believe is the cause of Job's suffering?