

## NOTES FOR TODAY:

Why study the book of Genesis? Why is it important?

1. Genesis is the Beginning

2. Genesis is the Story of Life

3. Genesis is an Alternate Worldview

4. Genesis is a Book about God

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## Point Guide

### *Journey In Genesis*

Why is it important?  
Genesis Review

#### Daily Bible Readings

**Monday** – Genesis 1; 2 Timothy 3:16

**Tuesday** – Genesis 1; Exodus 34:27

**Wednesday** – Genesis 1; Ezra 6:18

**Thursday** – Genesis 1; John 5:46-47

**Friday** – Genesis 1; John 7:19

**Saturday** – Genesis 1; Romans 10:5

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## For Small Group and Personal Study

### Warm up



The book of Genesis has 50 chapters.  
Go around the room and have everyone answer.

1. What are the most chapters you have ever read of any book in one sitting?
2. If you were a book, which chapter do you feel like your Christian walk is on:

Still a closed book—haven't started yet

Just beginning—the Introduction

Chapter two—still wondering how it will develop

The last chapter—can't wait for the sequel

### What the Bible Says



3. Genesis can be broken into 11 sections.  
Open your Bible and underline these statements in the text. Write the section number (1-11) by the Scripture.
1. Introduction. "In the beginning." (1:1-2:3)
2. "The account of the heavens and the earth" (2:4-4:26)
3. "The written account of Adam's line" (5:1-6:8)
4. "The account of Noah" (6:9-9:29)
5. "The account of Shem, Ham and Japheth" (10:1-11:9)

6. "The account of Shem" (11:10-26)
  7. "The account of Terah" (11:27-25:11)
  8. "The account of Abraham's son Ishmael" (25:12-18)
  9. "The account of Abraham's son Isaac" (25:19-35:29)
  10. "The account of Esau" (36:1-37:1)
  11. "The account of Jacob" (37:2-50:26)
4. Tradition holds that Moses wrote the Pentateuch (the first five books of the Bible). Read *Ex 17:14; 24:4, Josh 1:7-8, Matt 19:8; and Mark 12:26*. Do these Scriptures affirm Moses' authorship? Why? Why not?

### What the Bible Says to Me



5. Genesis 1:1 starts, "*In the beginning God.*" Is God in the beginning of everything you do or are you more apt to say, "*In the beginning ME*"?
6. Most biblical scholars agree that Moses must have used the writings of four other authors to put together Genesis (it closes about 300 years before he lived). Does this affect the idea that he was inspired by God to write? Why? Why not?
7. Read 2 Timothy 3:16. How does this affect your answer to question 6?
8. Pray that God would allow you to see Genesis as if you are reading it for the first time.

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