

Unit 1, Session 1 – THE GOSPEL PROJECT

GOD CREATED HUMANITY

CORE PASSAGE: GENESIS 2:7,15-25

KEY CONCEPT

God created humanity for relationships.

DAILY READINGS

Day 1: Genesis 1:1-13

Day 2: Genesis 1:14–2:3

Day 3: Psalm 8

Day 4: Genesis 2:4-17

Day 5: Genesis 2:18-25

Day 6: Psalm 148

MEMORY VERSE

“Just as in Adam all die, so also in Christ all will be made alive.” 1 Corinthians 15:22

PERSONAL PREPARATION

GOD CREATED HUMANITY AS SPECIAL AND WITH PURPOSE(GENESIS 2:7,15-17).

Circle the actions (verbs) performed by God in this passage.

7 Then the LORD God formed the man out of the dust from the ground and breathed the breath of life into his nostrils, and the man became a living being. . . . **15** The LORD God took the man and placed him in the garden of Eden to work it and watch over it. **16** And the LORD God commanded the man, “You are free to eat from any tree of the garden, **17** but you must not eat from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, for on the day you eat from it, you will certainly die.”

What are some ways you can use your breath to honor the God who created you in His image?

How can our work today reflect our status as stewards under God’s ultimate authority?

GOD CREATED HUMAN BEINGS TO BE IN COMMUNITY WITH OTHERS (GENESIS 2:18-25).

Identify the three main scenes in this passage and briefly summarize each.

18 Then the LORD God said, “It is not good for the man to be alone. I will make a helper corresponding to him.”

19 The LORD God formed out of the ground every wild animal and every bird of the sky, and brought each to the man to see what he would call it. And whatever the man called a living creature, that was its name. **20** The man gave names to all the livestock, to the birds of the sky, and to every wild animal; but for the man no helper was found corresponding to him. **21** So the LORD God caused a deep sleep to come over the man, and he slept. God took one of his ribs and closed the flesh at that place. **22** Then the LORD God made the rib he had taken from the man into a woman and brought her to the man. **23** And the man said: This one, at last, is bone of my bone and flesh of my flesh; this one will be called “woman,” for she was taken from man. **24** This is why a man leaves his father and mother and bonds with his wife, and they become one flesh. **25** Both the man and his wife were naked, yet felt no shame.

What are some ways God’s people should honor God for the good gift of gender as male and female?

How can your group help others who feel lonely and isolated?

GROUP ACTIVITY

Created for Relationships	
Based on Genesis 2:7,15-25, how should we relate to God? How should we relate to others?	
GOD	OTHERS

What insight did you learn from the input of others in this activity?

How does our relationship with God impact our relationships with others, and vice versa?

HEAD, HEART, HANDS

Head:

What are some ways your life should change if you believe in the Bible's account of the creation of humanity?

Heart:

What in your life leads to isolation? How can the community of Jesus in the church help you to resist temptation? To enjoy fellowship?

Hands:

How will you reflect God's image in your work and relationships with others this week?

PRAYING SCRIPTURE

Read Psalm 148, noticing how every aspect of God's creation should praise their Creator. Pray through Psalm 148, focusing on praising God for His work of creation.

