

God's Good Gift

Sunday, October 9, 2016

Gen 1:26-31

Gift

Creation – See the World and Life as a Gift from God
Gen 1:26-31; Psalm 115:16

Then and Now

Reading the “Feel” of a passage

Psalm 65

Then and Now

Ancient and Modern
Country and City

Rethinking

Increased info can become increase awe
In the end, we didn't make any of it

Creation Does NOT Mean ...

Creation Does Mean

Everything was made by God
Everything is a gift

It Does NOT Mean

Everything is the way it should be
Everything is the way God intended it to be

We Need This!

Where and When we Live

Relentlessly trained to be dissatisfied
View world as “resources”
View our things and our lives as our own

One Antidote

Viewing the World and Life as Gifts
Gifts from God
Gratitude, Awe, Humility, Trust

Small Group Guide

Kicking off your Time Together

Ice Breaker

Looking back over the last year, what is one thing you are thankful for?

Opening Prayer

Have one or two open in prayer asking God to be present and to direct your time.

What Did you Bring?

Did you bring anything to share to encourage the group?
(consider 1 Cor 14:26 as the pattern for this part of the meeting)

Read Passage

Have several people read part of this passage: Psalm 65

Discuss a few of these questions:

What is said about God in this Psalm?

What is the psalmist thankful for?

Which of these traits of God do you most appreciate now?

Which of these traits of God do you most need to grasp now?

Pray for Each Other

In light of all that has been shared, pray for each other.
You may want to share specific requests.