

SAVING HIS BEST FOR LAST

Genesis 1:26-31

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The questions below are designed to be used by Saylorville Church Cell Groups as they meet during the week following the Sunday morning message at Saylorville. The intent is not for groups to answer every question, but for leaders to use the questions as a guide as they tailor the discussion to the needs of their unique group.

CONNECT WITH YOUR GROUP (10-15 MINUTES)

- When was the last time you said, “Oops”?
- If you could change one thing about yourself, what would it be?
- Have you ever felt like God made a mistake when He made you the way He did?

APPLY THE BIBLE (45-60 MINUTES)

Intro:

- A. **Read Genesis 1:26-31.** On Sunday morning, Pastor Curt gave us **three insights that come from being made in the image of God.** What is your **one thing** from Sunday? What stuck out to you about what you heard (a new idea, an application, a challenge, a question, or a new way of thinking)?

Being made in the image of God means:

#1 - God is our Source

- A. Pastor Curt said, “*God did not create us because He needed us, but because He wanted us.*”
- A. What would change in your life if you really believed that the Creator **wants** you?
 - B. How might that change the way you treat other people that God created?
- B. How does the fact that God is our Creator help us find answers to some of life’s ultimate questions:
- A. Where did I come from?
 - B. Why am I here?
 - C. Where am I going?

#2 - God is our Stamp

- A. Pull out a few coins and pass them around your group. Look at the image stamped on the coins. How is the image of the president on each coin a good representation of the president himself?
- B. Since man is made in the image of God, we are a representation of Him. Which of the following examples surprise you? Which comforts you? Which challenges you?
- A. Like God, we are personal (We have distinct personality)
 - B. Like God, we are relational (We are created to live in community)
 - C. Like God, we are rational (We are able to think and reason)
 - D. Like God, we are emotional (We can love and be loved)
 - E. Like God, we are volitional and moral (We have a conscience and the freedom to make moral choices)
 - F. Like God, we are spiritual (We have a spirit, we are created with a God-consciousness)

#3 - God is our Savior

- A. Read Colossians 1:15-20. Do you believe that Jesus Christ died for your sins? If so, tell your group about the difference that makes in your daily life. If not, what’s holding you back from giving your life to Christ today?

PRAY FOR EACH OTHER (5-15 MINUTES)

- Take several minutes to meditate on the truth that you are made in the image of God.
- Respond to God by praising Him together with your group.

Christ died - that's history. Christ died for sinners - that's theology. Christ died for me - that's salvation.

