

[Primary Text: Genesis 2:1-3]

PRAY

Pause. Acknowledge that you are about to open God's word.

- Ask the Holy Spirit to illuminate His word.

WARM-UP (10 mins)

Prepare our minds to receive God's word.

- LG Foundations (on back page): What did you learn from the foundations course for last week (topic: separation from sin)?
- What has the Lord been teaching you in His word this past week?
- When reflecting on the message this past Sunday, what most resonated with you?

ILLUMINATE (40 mins)

Open your Bibles to the primary text. If you do not have a Bible, your leader can provide one.

- Recall the creation events. Can anyone recite the creation events by day, from memory?
- After the completion of creation, God uses the term "behold" (Gen 1:31). What do you think this invites the reader to do?
- Read Gen 2:1-3. God rested on the seventh day, why? Was he in need of rest?
- Why do you think that God blessed the seventh day and made it holy?
- What does pre-fall mean? At this point in creation (pre-fall), and in terms of the seventh day being made holy, what was God preparing for?
- We currently live in a broken, fallen world. Will we ever see a restored state of creation, a new heaven and a new earth? (See Rev. 21:1-22:5)
- How does God's original design shape your thoughts and ideas about the gospel, the good news of Jesus Christ?
- What is your one take-away from tonight's study/discussion?

PRAY

Use this time to pray specifically. What does tonight's conversation lead you to pray for?

Over the next year we will be guided through a series of 30 topics that will challenge us to not only know what we believe but will help us to internalize and verbalize our beliefs. Knowing God's word takes training (1 Tim 4:6-9). **Let us train to know God and make Him known.** Welcome to LG Foundations.

Topic 5: Christian Fellowship

{ Why is it important to attend church, study the Bible, and pray together with other people? How does the Bible answer this question? }

GUIDE:

Acts 2:42 –

1 John 1:3 –

Hebrews 10:24-25 –

Psalms 122:1 –

Now that you have been reminded of what God's word says, try answering the topic question again with the paper flipped over. Try to include at least one Bible reference. Repeat this process as if you are teaching someone else. Practice teaching it to a friend or family member.