

CBF STUDENT MINISTRY (6TH-12TH GRADE)

WHY IS THERE SOMETHING INSTEAD OF NOTHING? The Origin Story

We have begun a study on the book of Genesis seeking to dive deep into the very foundations of our world and Faith. “In the Beginning, God created the Heavens and the Earth.”

Those first lines introduce us to the main character of the story. We often like to see ourselves in the title role but ultimately

this story is about God, which is why we don’t read “In the Beginning, Bob...” We instead are met with a character that seemingly has no beginning. We never hear about God’s origin story or the background of how He came to be. We are simply left with the truth that He is. This automatically puts this character in another category in which we have no box for. It is like He defies even the idea of being in a category. For anything and everything else, there is a cause that produced them as an effect. Yet, we have this God that appears to be uncaused. Now, the original audience of this writing was a group of

Israelites who were powerfully rescued out of Egypt as this God revealed that the gods of Egypt were not even worthy to be compared to His power and majesty. He

rescues them as a people and establishes that there is no god like this God. So, this first line not only makes sense to them, they have witnessed the truth of it in their lives. If this were not mindboggling enough, there is this concept that He has the power and ability to create

“God created an awesome world. God intentionally loaded the world with amazing things to leave you astounded. The carefully air-conditioned termite mound in Africa, the tart crunchiness of an apple, the explosion of thunder, the beauty of an orchid, the interdependent systems of the human body, the inexhaustible pounding of the ocean waves, and thousands of other created sights, sounds, touches, and tastes—God designed all to be awesome. And he intended you to be daily amazed.”

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everything that exists. We are not given any pre-existent material that He seemingly uses to make everything so we are left to conclude that He not only has the power to create but needs no supplies or materials to do so. This God creates everything out of nothing. Who is this God? Why has He rescued a people for Himself? What is His purpose for this rescued people? How did this nation ever become enslaved in the first place? These are the questions we are exploring in our study of Genesis. Come join us on Sundays at 9:15 in the Loft as we let God’s word speak!

YOUTH GROUP 6 TO 7:30PM IN THE FLC

We have fun, we eat unhealthy food together, we study God’s Word and then seek to help one another apply it to our lives. Right now, we are in a series called BASIC that focuses on the foundations of our faith through an allegorical story and teaching by Francis Chan!

