

# SOAP

BIBLE STUDY METHOD

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Pray, asking God for guidance through His Word and to get rid of other distractions.

Read the passage / chapter and find the one thing that you ponder on or jumps off the page as you read.

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**S: SCRIPTURE:** Which scripture(s) stuck out to you most? Write it down. Feel free to make it a work of art.

**O: OBSERVATION:** What you think about the verse? What does God seem to be revealing through it? Do any words stand out? Look them up in original Greek or Hebrew. Cross reference scriptures of similar topic to get an overview of the passage. Who is the author addressing? What is the cultural context? Who is the passage about?

**A: APPLICATION:** How do you apply this little truth to your life? Are there any areas in your life that do not align with the scripture and need to change? Have you seen growth in any areas?

**P: PRAYER:** Write a prayer asking how to implement this verse in your life. Pray for others who may be dealing with a similar issue. Praise God for his blessings and opening your eyes to his truths.

# GENESIS



ONE Book  
TWO BEGINNINGS  
HUMANITY  
THE PEOPLE of God

## DEVOTION Guide

April 11 - May 8, 2021

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*"2 I will make you into a great nation and I will bless you; I will make your name great, and you will be a blessing. 3 I will bless those who bless you, and whoever curses you I will curse; and all the peoples on earth will be blessed through you." - Genesis 12:2-3*

## **Introduction**

In the past years following the season of Lent, following the resurrection of Jesus, we have either read Acts or one of Paul's letters to help us understand the birth and beginning of the Church. This is the scriptural progression of our story as the people of God. To understand what happened after the resurrection it is important to understand our roots as God's people because there is an important connection. Over next four weeks we will read and study Genesis, our story of from Creation to Exile. It's a story of two beginnings. The human race and the people of God.

Reading Genesis in four weeks means we will be reading two chapters per day. You may want to carve out a few more minutes of reading time. Read to understand the big picture of content, not necessarily the detail. However, if something grabs your attention, stay there and discover why. Through the devotions each day I will try to focus on the important details.

Our story is an intriguing one which got off to a rocky start yet is a comeback story filled with all the adventure we might expect from book about a people trying to discover themselves. It is a story which involves every human emotion.

Enjoy the story. Be inspired by the earliest heroes of faith like Abraham and Joseph. We'll conclude this four weeks in exile but our next devotion guide will continue in Exodus with the story of redemption led by Moses.

If you do not receive the daily devotion via email and would like to, just send me an email to [abeasley@jasperfirstumc.com](mailto:abeasley@jasperfirstumc.com) requesting to be added and it will be done. I look forward to what we can learn from these two beginnings.

Alan H. Beasley, Senior Pastor

**Sunday, April 11, 2021**

**Reflect** - on God's Word from this week

**Refuel** - worship with the family of God

**Rest** - your mind, body and spirit

**Monday, April 12, 2021**

**Scripture** - Genesis 1-2

**Pray**

**Tuesday, April 13, 2021**

**Scripture** - Genesis 3-4

**Pray**

**Wednesday, April 14, 2021**

**Scripture** - Genesis 5-6

**Pray**

**Thursday, April 15, 2021**

**Scripture** - Genesis 7-8

**Pray**

**Friday, April 16, 2021**

**Scripture** - Genesis 9-11

**Pray**

**Saturday, April 17, 2021**

**Scripture** - Genesis 12-13

**Pray**

**Sunday, April 18, 2021**

**Reflect** - *on God's Word from this week*

**Refuel** - *worship with the family of God*

**Rest** - *your mind, body and spirit*

**Monday, April 19, 2021**

**Scripture** - Genesis 14-15

**Pray**

**Tuesday, April 20, 2021**

**Scripture** - Genesis 16-17

**Pray**

**Wednesday, April 21, 2021**

**Scripture** - Genesis 18-19

**Pray**

**Thursday, April 22, 2021**

**Scripture** - Genesis 20-21

**Pray**

**Friday, April 23, 2021**

**Scripture** - Genesis 22-23

**Pray**

**Saturday, April 24, 2021**

**Scripture** - Genesis 24-25

**Pray**

**Sunday, April 25, 2021**

**Reflect** - *on God's Word from this week*

**Refuel** - *worship with the family of God*

**Rest** - *your mind, body and spirit*

**Monday, April 26, 2021**

**Scripture** - Genesis 26-27

**Pray**

**Tuesday, April 27, 2021**

**Scripture** - Genesis 28-29

**Pray**

**Wednesday, April 28, 2021**

**Scripture** - Genesis 30-31

**Pray**

**Thursday, April 29, 2021**

**Scripture** - Genesis 32-33

**Pray**

**Friday, April 30, 2021**

**Scripture** - Genesis 34-35

**Pray**

**Saturday, May 1, 2021**

**Scripture** - Genesis 36-38

**Pray**

