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LISTENING GUIDE

<p>Genesis, “In the Beginning” Series: A Walk thru God’s Word</p>
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1. The _____ of _____ begins in Genesis.
2. The doctrine of _____
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6. The doctrine of the _____ begins in Genesis.
7. The doctrine of _____ _____ begins in Genesis

**Discussion Questions for personal time or
Small Groups:**

- ◆ How is the book of Genesis fundamental to what we believe and understand?

- ◆ How would you describe the purpose of Genesis?

- ◆ How much of what we know about God comes from the book of Genesis?

- ◆ How much of what we know about man, sin, salvation, and Jesus Christ comes from the book of Genesis?

- ◆ How can this book influence your biblical worldview in visible ways?

"Stroll Through the Scroll"
Bible Book; Genesis

I. Title of the Book:

It receives its name from the first word, "B'reshith", whose Hebrew meaning represents "in the beginning." "Genesis" comes from the LXX (Septuagint, the Greek translation of the Old Testament). It is here a word which means, "origin, source, generations."

II. Writer of the Book:

To quote Henry H. Halley, "The traditional view is that Moses wrote the Pentateuch (which is the first five books of the Bible) substantially as we now have it, with the exception of the few verses at the close which give an account of his death, and occasional interpolations made by copyists for explanatory purposes; and that it is consistently historical."

The book of Genesis, specifically, may have been composed by a combination of ancient documents handed down to Moses as well as direct revelation from God since the book of Genesis closes 300 years before Moses.

III. Theme or Purpose of the Book:

Genesis, the longest of the first five books, is quite unique in its content and the time period it covers. Dr. Edward Young writes, "The purpose of the first book of the Pentateuch is to give a brief survey of the history of Divine revelation from the beginning until the Israelites are brought into Egypt."

IV. Outline of the Book:

There are several ways this book can be divided up. The word "generations" occurs about 10 times in the book and each time it does occur the portion following it can be seen as a section. For example, sections dealing with Adam, Noah, Noah's sons, Esau and Jacob.

Dr. Merrill Unger writes the following outline;

- I. Primeval History of Man; 1:1-11:26
 - A. The Creation; 1:1-2:25,
 - B. The Fall (Sin) to the Flood; 3:1-5:32,
 - C. The Flood; 6:1-9:29,
 - D. From the Flood to Abraham; 10:1-11:26.
- II. Patriarchal History of Israel; 11:27-50:26
 - A. Abraham; 11:27-25:10,
 - B. Isaac; 25:11-28:9,
 - C. Jacob; 28:10-36:43,
 - D. Joseph; 37:1-50:26.

V. Suggested Personal or Group Study Sections in the Book:

Possible study ideas and sections;

- Marriage and the Home (1:26-28; 2:7,20-25)
- Patriarchal family, Abrahamic covenant (12:1-3 and ch. 15 and 17)
- Sin and salvation (ch. 3, 4)
- Others or anything else that applies for your study.

VI. How is Jesus Christ seen in this book:

- He is the promised Redeemer, the seed of the woman (Gen. 3:15; Luke 1:34-35)

For Personal or Group Studies

Always remember that the Bible is God's infallible, inerrantly inspired Word.

Book;

Human Author;

Approximate date of events;

Theme, Purpose, Principle characters;

Study Section; _____

Summary of section;

Interpretation; What was the author trying to say to his audience? Within the historical and grammatical context what did it mean to them?

Application; What does it mean to you (be specific)? Practical areas; family, church, job, nation, sins, examples, promises, etc.

Favorite portion or verse;