



## Where do People Fit In? (Gen 1:26-31)

Sunday 17 February 2008

...space for you to write your notes on Sunday

10h30 & 17h30 Versailles, 17h30 Chevry,

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| Jan 27                              | The Beginning of all things Gen 1:1-2:3<br><i>Overview - themes</i>  |
| Feb 3                               | The Meaning of Life Gen 2:4-17   |
| Feb 10 17h30<br>Versailles          | <i>Reconciling Creation &amp; Evolution?</i>   |
| Feb 10<br>Feb 3 17h30<br>Versailles | Why bother with marriage? Gen 2:18-25<br><i>Sex &amp; Family</i>   |
| Feb 17                              | Where do people fit in? Gen 1:26-31<br><i>Creation of human beings, different than animals?</i><br>nb 10h30 Confirmation Service |
| Feb 24                              | Why work? Gen 1:26-31  |
| Mar 2                               | Living for Leisure? Gen 2:2 -3 , Ex 20<br><i>What does Sabbath mean in C21?</i>  |
| Mar 9                               | Does the world matter? Gen 1:26-31   |
| Mar 16                              | Grace from the Beginning? Gen 3:1-24   |



### Some Books you may find helpful

David Atkinson, *The Message of Genesis*, Bible Speaks Today  
 Gordon Wenham, *Genesis*, Word  
 Henri Blocher, *In The Beginning* (originally in French) –very thorough look at Genesis 1-3, widely regarded as the best book on these chapters

### Books relating to individual topics in the series

Michael Poole, *A Guide to Science and Belief*, Lion, 1990  
 R. Frost & D. Wilkinson, *Thinking Clearly about God and Science*, Monarch, 1996.  
 L Strobel, *The Case for a Creator*  
 Malcolm. A Jeeves & R. J. Berry, *Science, Life and Christian Belief*, Apollos, 1998  
 Reenchantment of Nature, McGrath  
 T Campolo, *How to Rescue the Earth without worshipping Nature*  
 Gary Chapman, *Five Love Languages*  
 Mark & Lindsay Mellowish, *Family Time*  
 N & S Lee, *The Marriage Book*  
 Rob Parsons, *The Sixty Minute Marriage*  
 Mark Greene, *Thank God it's Monday - Ministry in the Workplace*, SU, 1997  
 Rich Christians in an Age of Hunger, Ronald Sider



**Study Guide for Your Own Study During the Week**  
**Where Do People Fit In? (Gen 1:26-31)**

**...going deeper**

**to think about**

*Human beings have been described as 'Naked Apes', as 'Educated Savages', as 'only animals', and as 'about 70% water'...*

*What do you think? What can we learn from Genesis?*

*Read Genesis 1:26-31*

*'...God created man in his own image...' (v. 27) What does this mean?*

*Do human beings have a special place in the world? What does Genesis 1:26-32 have to say about it?*

*'...fill the earth and subdue it. Rule over ....every living creature ...'(v. 27, 28) What does it mean for humanity in general? What does it mean for you?*

*'..male and female he created them' (v. 27) What is the significance of this phrase coming straight after the previous one?*

*'the Lord God formed the man from the dust of the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, and the man became a living being'. These words from Gen 2:7 describe the creation of man from another perspective – a more relational perspective. Many commentators say that it is very significant that the word translated 'breath of life' is 'ruach' in the original Hebrew – this is the same word as the word for the Spirit of God. This is the main reason that human beings are seen to have a uniquely spiritual life among all living beings.*

**taking it further**

*'made in the image of God' ...meditate on these words and ask God to speak to you through these words.*