



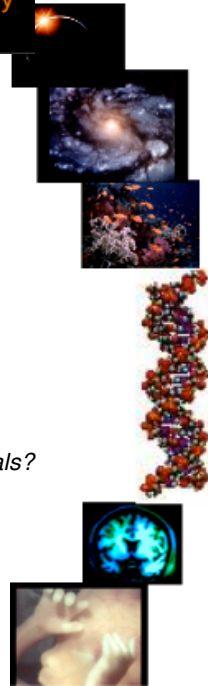
## Why Work? (Gen 1:26-31)

Sunday 24 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** **Why Work? (Gen 1:26-31)**

### **...going deeper**

#### **to think about**

*"Nothing is really work unless you would rather be doing something else."* (James M. Barrie)

*"Real success is finding your lifework in the work that you love."* (David McCullough)

*"It's important to know that words don't move mountains. Work, exacting work moves mountains."*  
(Danilo Dolci)

*"The best way to appreciate your job is to imagine yourself without one."* (Oscar Wilde)

Lots of people have written about work, maybe because we spend most of our waking hours working...

*Read Genesis 1:26-31*

*Does God work?*

*What responsibilities were human beings given?*

*Next week we will be thinking about leisure – have you ever had a long period in your life when you were unemployed? Did it feel like leisure?*

*Read Genesis 3:17-19*

*After human beings chose to turn away from God, work became toil?*

*What is the difference?*

*How should Christians do their work? (you might like to look at Ephesians 6:5-9)*

#### **taking it further**

*How do you feel about the work you do? How does God feel about it?*

*Pray about the work you do, and for the people you work with.*