



THE PRESENT EVIL AGE

Read Genesis 6:5-8 How does God evaluate the state of humanity? What does it say he will do as a result? Why does he relent?

Read Deuteronomy 31:16-18. How does God describe to Moses what will happen to the people who enter the promised land? What will God's response be?

Read Luke 11:29-30. What does Jesus say about his generation? What does Jesus have in common with Jonah? What does the sign indicate? How do you think Jesus would describe our generation?

THE PEOPLE OF GOD

Read Genesis 12:1-3. What is God's promise to Abraham? How is Abraham's blessing intended to be used?

Read Exodus 19:1-6. What is God's purpose for the people of Israel? What condition comes with God's promise? How did this kingdom fare (see Hosea 1:4)?

Read 1 Peter 2:1-10. Who are the people of God today? What are they supposed to be? On what basis do these people become God's possession? Do you see yourself and your church in this light? Why or why not?

THE LORDSHIP OF JESUS

Read Colossians 1:15-20. How is Jesus described? How are all things reconciled through Jesus? What does it mean to you that in Jesus all of Creation and Redemption find their source?

Read Hebrews 12:1-2 and 25-29. What did Jesus endure for his people? What is the cost of refusing Jesus as mediator of the New Covenant? What is the benefit of Jesus' kingdom? How is worship an integral part of God's kingdom plan?

Read Revelation 7:9-17. What is John seeing in this part of the vision? How are the promises to Abraham and the people of Israel fulfilled? What do you feel as you reflect on this scene? How should this reality of heaven impact the way you live today?