

Week 1 – Introduction to “BEGINNINGS, Part 2”

Luke 24

I. Study _____ (Luke 24:16, 21, 25, 26, 31, 45)

We study *dependently* by studying *prayerfully*...

Psalm 119:36 – “*Incline* my heart to your Word and not to selfish gain.”

Psalm 119:18 – “*Open* my eyes that I may see wonderful things in your law.”

Psalm 86:11 – “*Teach* me your way, O Lord, I will walk in your truth. *Unite* my heart to fear your name.”

Psalm 90:14 – “*Satisfy* us in the morning with your lovingkindness.”

II. Study _____ (vv. 27-32; 44-47)

John 5:39 – [Jesus said], “You search the Scriptures because you think that in them you have eternal life; *it is these that testify about Me.*”

Studying purposefully means studying with _____ in mind; intentionally looking for those signposts that point to a _____; looking for how each story fits into the big story of the _____.

III. **Study** _____ . (vv. 32-35; 48-53)

The learning produced a _____ that ultimately lead to a _____
for lives of _____ and witness.

Psalms 19:7-9 – “The law of the LORD is perfect, restoring the soul; The testimony of the LORD is sure, making wise the simple. The precepts of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart.”

Psalms 119:9 – “How can a young man keep his way pure? By keeping it according to your word.”

Psalms 119:105 – “Your Word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.”

2 Timothy 3:16 – “All Scripture is inspired by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, for training in righteousness; so that the man of God may be adequate, equipped for every good work.”

Romans 10:17 – “So faith comes from hearing, and hearing by the word of Christ.”

Hebrews 4:12 – “For the word of God is living and active and sharper than any two-edged sword, and piercing as far as the division of soul and spirit, of both joints and marrow, and able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart.”

1 Peter 1:24-25: “For, “ALL FLESH IS LIKE GRASS, AND ALL ITS GLORY LIKE THE FLOWER OF GRASS. THE GRASS WITHERS, AND THE FLOWER FALLS OFF, BUT THE WORD OF THE LORD ENDURES FOREVER.” And this is the word which was preached to you.”

IV. **Introductory facts/review**

a. **Basic structure**

- i. Chapters 1-11: Primeval history (Creation through Babel)
- ii. Chapters 12-50: Patriarchal history (Abraham through Joseph)

b. **Author:** _____

c. **Audience:** Israel entering the Promised Land under Joshua’s leadership and US!
(Romans 15:4)

d. **Date:** 1600-1400 BC (some 3500 years ago!)

e. **Major themes:** blessing, promise, faith, redemption/salvation, God Himself

f. **Review of Part 1** (see attached chart)

Eleven Chapters in Eleven Words . . .

1)	Creation	"In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth . . . God saw all that He had made and behold, it was very good." (Gen. 1:1, 31)
2)	Paradise	"And the man and his wife were both naked and were not ashamed." (Gen. 2:25)
3)	Fall	"She took from its fruit and ate; and she gave also to her husband with her, and he ate. Then the eyes of both of them were opened." (Gen. 3:6, 7)
4)	Curse	"And I will put enmity between you (Satan) and the woman, and between your seed and her seed." (Gen. 3:15)
5)	Promise	"And he (Jesus!) shall bruise you (Satan) on the head, and you shall bruise him on the heel." (Gen. 3:15)
6)	Depravity	"Then the Lord saw that the wickedness of man was great on the earth, and that every intent of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually." (Gen. 6:5)
7)	Wrath	"The Lord said, 'I will blot out man whom I have created from the face of the land, from man to animals to creeping things to birds of the sky; for I am sorry that I have made them.'" (Gen. 6:7)
8)	Grace	"But Noah found favor in the eyes of the Lord." (Gen. 6:8)
9)	Covenant	"When the bow is in the cloud, then I will look upon it, to remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth." (Gen. 9:16)
10)	Blessing	"Blessed be the Lord, the God of Shem; and let Canaan be his servant." (Gen. 9:26)
11)	Scattering	"Therefore its name was called Babel, because there the LORD confused the language of the whole earth; and from there the LORD scattered them abroad over the face of the whole earth." (Gen. 11:9)