

In the Beginning

Series: *The First Five*
– Genesis 1-2 –

1. The God Who is Presented

2. The God Who is Purposeful

3. The God Who is Personal

“God’s aim in human history is the creation of an inclusive community of loving persons, with Himself included as its primary sustainer and most glorious Inhabitant.”
– Dallas Willard

Application Questions. . .

1. What part of the text or message had the greatest impact on you? Where were you most encouraged, intrigued, or challenged?
2. What strikes you as significant about the way the Bible begins?
3. God speaks and things spring into being and life. Everything is now held together by His powerful word (Col. 1:17; Heb. 1:3). How does that help us understand John 1:1-3 or how does John 1:1-3 help us understand Genesis 1?
4. Genesis 1 does not spend any time trying to convince the reader of the existence of God, it simply assumes it. Is it wise for us when sharing with non-believers, to assume the existence of God? Are there occasions to take time defending the existence of God? Explain
5. How do you know that God exists? What reason(s) would you give in arguing for the existence of God?
6. What are the implications on our design and purpose if we are made in the image of a Triune God who is love?
7. Describe a time when you saw the image of God in the actions of someone else.

