

Lectionary Bible Study

For Sunday, June 4, 2023 (Holy Trinity)

Genesis 1:1 – 2:4a

Discussion Starters

1. What are the repeated words and phrases in this creation story? What do these teach you about the creator? About creation itself?
2. What does it mean for humans to be created in the image of God?
3. How is the Trinity revealed in the creation, according to this passage?
4. What is the most inspiring part of creation for you? How does that affect your understanding of and response to God?
5. For the believer's life and worship, what does it mean that God finished His work in six days and rested on the seventh?
6. Why do you think the Bible tells us that God created, but doesn't give us the details about how He created?

2 Corinthians 13:11-13

Discussion Starters

1. What goals does the Apostle Paul give to his readers as he closes his letter?
2. If the readers achieve the goals Paul establishes, he announces that the "God of love and peace will be with you." What does that mean? What does it mean if the goals are not achieved?
3. What does it mean to "aim for perfection?"
4. What does it mean to "greet one another with a holy kiss?"
5. How is the Trinity reflected in this passage? What attributes does Paul ascribe to each part of the Trinity?

Matthew 28:16-20

Discussion Starters

1. What instructions does Jesus give to His followers in this passage?
2. What promises does Jesus make to His followers in this passage?
3. Why did some doubt? And why report this fact in this otherwise positive text?
4. What does Jesus' statement about His authority have to do with the Great Commission?
5. How might you fulfill the Great Commission in the context of your family? Work? Community?

WRAP UP

What key insight did you gain from this Bible study? How might it make a difference in how you live today?