

ORIGINS

Genesis 1-11

Discussion Guide: Genealogies & Giants

Passage: Genesis 5, 6:1-8

Summary: Generations pass...from Adam to Noah...and the human problem just seems to get worse and worse. Death reigns supreme and humans find new ways to seek immortality and life without waiting on God. How will God respond to the evil that was permeating His world? Will He remember His promise to bring rescue through one of Eve's sons?

Discussion Questions

1. The genealogy of Seth helps us see that sometimes waiting on God to keep His promises will take much longer than we hope. What is something God has promised that you long to be fulfilled? Do you feel tired of waiting?
2. In Genesis 6:1-4, when people got tired of waiting on God, they accepted the "help" of evil spiritual beings (fallen angels) to find immortality and try to recapture Eden. While we may not take the same route as them, we find other ways to stop waiting on God to keep His promises and try to solve our problems on our own. What are some ways you are tempted to take things into your own hands to try and find Eden without depending on God?
3. Waiting on God to keep His promises does not mean that we cannot look for tangible help or try to solve a problem through human means. If we're sick, waiting on God isn't opposed to seeking a doctor's help. In fact, God may use that doctor to help bring you healing. So, how can you discern if you are solving problems on your own vs. waiting and depending on God to help you?
4. How do you have confidence that God will keep His promises? What does it look like to "wait like Enoch", who walked with God?