

Assurances in Genesis

(Genesis 1:1)

It is odd that as we get older in life it seems like we leave the book of Genesis behind. So often, we fail to consider that Genesis is more than an interesting collection of stories best suited for a kids' Bible class. Genesis is a book of beginnings! It provides so many blessed assurances that we have received from God! Let's consider some of those tonight.

- I. Assurance #1: God is _____.**
- A. Genesis reveals our origin (Genesis 1:1). We are the work of an all-powerful, wise, and loving God. God is the intelligent designer behind the making of the universe!
 - B. This assurance carries some weighty implications.
 - 1. If there is a God then...
 - a. There is a _____ for morality.
 - b. We can't just do whatever we want!
 - 2. If there is no God then...
 - a. There is NO _____ for morality. This is one of the dirty little secrets of atheism!
 - b. There is NO _____.
- II. Assurance #2: God has _____.**
- A. This can be seen in the relationship that God has with Adam and Eve (Genesis 2:15-17).
 - B. God continues to have expectations. In fact, this is really what the Bible is all about.
 - 1. The Bible _____ God's expectations.
 - a. It tells us how to please God (2 Timothy 3:16-17).
 - b. It has been given for us to keep (Psalm 119:4).
 - c. It leads us to the best possible lives (Psalm 119:1-3).
 - 2. The Bible gives us _____.
 - a. We are here to keep God's _____ (Ecclesiastes 12:13).
 - b. We are here to use our bodies to glorify God (1 Corinthians 6:19-20).
 - c. We are here to _____ ourselves for the Judgment Day (John 12:48; 2 Corinthians 5:10).
- III. Assurance #3: God holds us _____.**
- A. When Adam and Eve disobeyed, God did not overlook their sin (Genesis 3:11-13, 16-17). They received the exact punishment that God promised (Genesis 2:17; 5:4-5).
 - B. God also holds us accountable for our choices (Romans 14:12; 2 Corinthians 5:10). We too will receive what God has promised (Matthew 25:46).
- IV. Assurance #4: God has provided a _____ for sin.**
- A. Genesis 3:15 is the first promise of the coming of Jesus in the Bible. When Jesus came, Satan bruised Him on the heel (he gave Jesus a minor injury by persuading evil men to put Him on the cross). But in the process, Jesus inflicted a head wound on him (He provided a solution that enables us to defeat Satan and sin).
 - B. God made this possible because He loves us (1 Timothy 2:4; Ephesians 1:4).

Conclusion: Have you _____ God's solution for your sin problem?

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