

Discussion Guide

A Lesson in Vocabulary

February 1, 2026

PART 1: RECAP. HAVE SOMEONE READ THIS OUT LOUD.

Last week we spent time in the beginning of Genesis, focusing on how God is both completely powerful, but at the same time He is also personal and present in our lives. Now we are doing a deeper dive into Genesis 1:1, which shows us the glory and power of God to create the world; it also shows us how we serve an all-powerful God that we can trust with our lives.

- Would you consider yourself a creative person? What ways do you like to express yourself?
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PART 2: HAVE SOMEONE READ GENESIS 1:1-2 AND JOHN 1:1-5 OUT LOUD. ANSWER THESE QUESTIONS AS A GROUP.

- What does Genesis 1:1 tell us about God's eternal nature?
 - What does Genesis teach us about the beginning of the universe?
 - Why does Genesis use a plural Hebrew word to name God (Elohim)?
 - From the sermon, what do you remember about the different names used for God – Elohim and LORD?
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PART 3: REFLECT. ANSWER THESE QUESTIONS TOGETHER.

- When/where do you feel closest to God? What sort of environment makes you feel far from him?
 - Do you ever struggle to remember how powerful God is? How can you remind yourself daily of his power?
 - What does it mean to you personally to acknowledge God is the beginning of all life?
 - What sort of things keep you from trusting God more fully? How can you overcome those hesitations?
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KEY VERSE:

Genesis 1:1

"In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth."

NEXT STEPS:

- I will make time to reflect on the greatness of the LORD God.
- I will entrust my life to the all-powerful Creator God.
- As I read the Old Testament, I will look for "LORD" in my Bible.
- I will pray for _____ to put their faith in the God of all creation.

