



SERMON NOTES

Sunday, March 6, 2022 | Pastor Scott Boerckel

“The Remarkable Life in the Garden of Eden”

Genesis 2:1-17

1. God establishes a rhythm for human beings.
(Genesis 2:1-3)

2. God establishes a place for human beings.
(Genesis 2:4-14)

3. God establishes a purpose for human beings.
(Genesis 2:15-17)

Table Talk

- 1) What does it mean for God to rest? Is God still active in creation, or did He start stuff up in six days and has left it alone since then? Why did God rest on the seventh day according to verse 3? In what sense did God rest on the seventh day? How is your rhythm of life reflecting this created order of work and rest? (vv. 1-3)
- 2) How is the phrase “these are the generations of” used in Genesis? (see 2:4; 6:9; 10:1; 11:10; 11:27; 25:12; 25:19; 36:1; 36:9; 37:2) How is the word “day” used in verse 4? Do you think that verses 5-7 mean that people were created before plants were? Some suggest that the Genesis 2 account of creation contradicts the Genesis 1 account. What do you think? (vv. 4-7)
- 3) What material did God use to make human beings? (v. 7) Does this suggest that human beings are frail or powerful? Why? How did David see human beings? (see Psalm 103:14) Why is it comforting that God knows how we are formed and remembers what we were made from?
- 4) How did human beings become living? (v. 7) Who controlled whether human beings lived or not? Does God still control such matters? Why did God prepare a special place for human beings to live initially? Why did God need to plant the garden? What significance can we see in the subjects of the main sentences in verses 7-9? Who is doing the action? Who is receiving the action? What two trees are special in the Garden? (vv.7-9) What is the significance of the rivers in verses 10-14?
- 5) Why did God put human beings in the Garden of Eden? (v. 15) What two part command did God give human beings? (vv. 16-17a) What would be the consequences for failure to obey the Lord? (v. 17b) What do you think Adam and Eve knew about death?