



FINDING FAITH: Small Group Bible Study inspired by the movie "Genesis Impact"

INTRODUCTION

Genesis Impact is a Christian apologetics film that challenges the theory of evolution from a biblical, young-earth creationist perspective. The film is framed as a young boy's inquiry into the origins of life, which leads to a dramatized debate between a creationist and a secular museum docent. The film's primary purpose is to equip Christians with arguments to counter common evolutionary claims, focusing on topics like the human-chimp DNA myth, the fossil record, and radiometric dating. The narrative's goal is to show how a biblical worldview provides a consistent explanation for the evidence found in the natural world.



DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. THE PRIMACY OF GENESIS AS HISTORY

- The film presents the Genesis creation account not as a metaphor, but providing historical and scientific truth. The protagonist, Christina, systematically challenges evolutionary "icons" to argue for a literal interpretation of the biblical narrative. Why is it so crucial for a young-earth creationist worldview to treat Genesis 1-11 as a historical account?
- Read 2 Timothy 3:16-17. This passage states that all Scripture is "God-breathed" and useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting, and training. How does this verse support the idea that the creation account is not just theological but also a foundation for our understanding of history and science?



2. FAITH AND SCIENTIFIC EVIDENCE

- The debate showcases how a Christian can use logic and evidence to defend their faith. What does this suggest about the relationship between faith and science?
- Read Hebrews 11:3. This verse states that by faith we understand that the universe was formed by God's command. How does this reconcile the Christian's faith with scientific inquiry? How can we use both reason and Scripture to understand God's creation, as exemplified by the film's debate?



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3. THE CENTRALITY OF THE CREATOR



- The film's ultimate goal is to lead the audience to acknowledge the Creator. The debate is not merely about scientific facts but about worldview. One with a Creator versus a world of random chance. How does the film portray the spiritual stakes of this debate?

- Read Romans 1:20. This verse says that God's eternal power and divine nature have been clearly seen through what has been made. What is the ultimate consequence of denying a Creator, and what does it mean to submit our understanding to Him?

4. EQUIPPING THE BELIEVER

- The film is explicitly designed as a tool for Christian apologetics. It aims to equip believers with arguments to defend their faith. What does this reveal about the modern Christian's need to be prepared to defend their beliefs?

- Read 1 Peter 3:15. This verse commands us to "always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have." How does Genesis Impact serve as a practical example of how to prepare for such conversations? Why is it important for Christians to be both well-informed and gracious when defending their faith?



REFLECTION & APPLICATION

Reflect on a time when your own faith was challenged by a secular argument. Were you prepared to answer? What are some of the key creation-evolution topics that you find most challenging to discuss? How can you use the arguments presented in this film, or others like it, to strengthen your own faith and witness?



PRAYER

Close the Bible study with a time of prayer, thank God for His Word and for the creation that testifies to His glory.

Pray for wisdom and courage to defend the faith, and for an increased understanding of how science and Scripture both point to Him as our Creator and Lord.



CONCLUSION

Genesis Impact serves as a valuable tool for understanding and defending a biblical worldview. The film encourages us to see the world through the lens of Scripture, trusting that God's Word provides the most coherent and truthful explanation for our origins and the purpose of our existence.