GOD'S BIG PICTURE – **TALK OUTLINE UNIT 1** - THE **PATTERN** OF THE KINGDOM

GOD'S BIG PICTURE

INTRO

- The Bible
- God's Big Picture Course aims

ONE BOOK

66 books...

- ONE AUTHOR: God **2 Tim 3: 16**
- ONE SUBJECT: Jesus Christ **Luke 24: 27**
- ONE STORY: God's plan to save the world through Jesus



THE KINGDOM OF **GOD**

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THE **PATTERN** OF THE KINGDOM

GOD'S CREATION

Gen 1: 1
- God alone is eternal
- At His word the universe came into being
- God is creator, so rightful ruler of all

Gen 1: 31 'Very good'
- Matter matters

Gen 1: 27-28 'God created mankind in His own image'
- Mankind has dignity as those set apart
- 'Fill the earth and subdue it'

Gen 2: 2 CLIMAX 'So on the seventh day he rested from all his work'
- God 'rested'
- God wants human beings to rest with him

Gen 2: 4-25 'A second complementary account, focusing on humanity'

PERFECT RELATIONSHIPS

God and human beings **Gen 2: 17**

Man and woman **Gen 2: 25**

Human beings and creation **Gen 2: 15**



KINGDOM of GOD	PATTERN of the KINGDOM
GOD'S PEOPLE	Adam and Eve
GOD'S PLACE	The Garden of Eden
GOD'S RULE & BLESSING	Perfect Relationships

Next study - The PERISHED KINGDOM

Now do the bible study for Unit 1

Read Genesis 1:1-2:3

What are the repeated words and phrases?

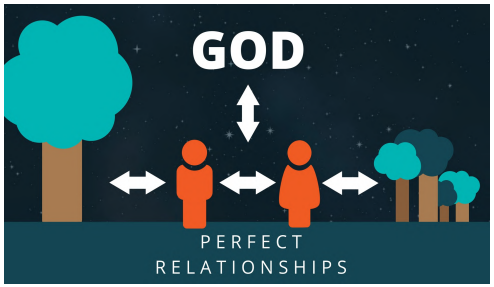
What do we learn about God?

What do these verses tell us about God's creation?

What are we told about human beings?

What made the 7th day different from the rest?

Read Genesis 2:4-25



What is the relationship?

- God and humans?

- Man and woman?

- Human beings and creation?

Reflection

How does the teaching of Genesis 1-2 differ from other worldviews in society?

How does it challenge your thinking and behaviour?

What could you do this week to enjoy God as the creator and enjoy rest with him?