

How to Read the Bible: Genesis 1-11

Glenwood Community Church

Class 10 – April 10th, 2022

The purpose of this class is to: understand and internalize the message of Genesis 1-11 and to better understand how to interpret Old Testament narrative

Review

What binds these texts together

1. The sinfulness of mankind persists
2. The blessed and cursed lines of Noah
3. Emphasizes the dispersion of the nations from Noah's descendants.

Sin Persists (9:18-29)

Summary:

Toledot (10:1-32)

Japheth (2-5)

Ham (6-20)

Shem (21-31)

Summary:

Tower of Babel (11:1-8)

Word of the people (1-4) vs. Word of God (5-9) (Bruce Waltke)

- A – All the earth one language
- B – People settle together there
- C – Said to each other
- D – Come now, let us make bricks
- E – A city and a tower
- F – And the Lord came down
- E – The city and the tower
- D – Come now...let us confuse
- C – Not understand each other
- B – People disperse from there
- A – Language of the whole earth

Word of the People (1-4)

The Word of God (5-8)

Implications for chapters 9-11

Overall Implications Genesis 1-11

For Next Sunday

Ready your heart for Easter weekend!