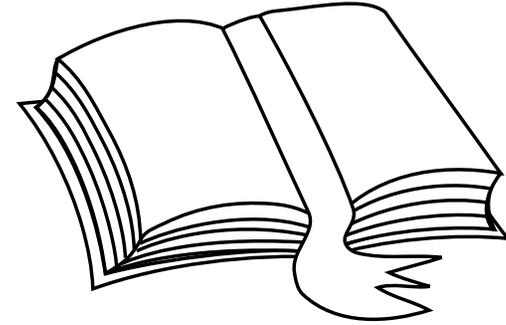


6. What is one change that you can make in everyday life that would show clearly that you want to give God control of your life?

NOTES



THE SOURCE OF LIFE

SECTION I. Introduction

All cultures have ideas about the beginnings of life and especially about the origins of human life.

- A. What are the most common beliefs in your culture about how life on earth began?

- B. How do you personally think that life began?

SECTION II. The Bible makes very clear statements about the origin of all things, non-living things as well as living things.

- A. Read Genesis 1:1, Nehemiah 9:6 and Hebrews 11:3.
 - 1. How do these passages say the universe began?

- B. Read Nehemiah 9:6 again.
 - 1. What is included in what God created?

 - 2. Which words specifically say that God is the source of life?

C. Read Hebrews 11:3 again.

1. How were all things created?
2. From what did God make the universe and all that is in it?
3. Can we understand or prove how this happened only through scientific evidence?

SECTION III. The Bible says that God created all things. First He created the heavens and earth, then animals and then man.

A. Read Genesis 2:7.

1. Describe how God made Adam.
2. How did God bring Adam's form to life?

B. Read Genesis 5:1-2.

1. What is special about humans?
2. What do you think shows that God really did treat Adam and Eve as special beings?

C. Read Job 33:4. Which words here show that God's gift of life is continuous?

D. Read Psalm 139:13-14.

1. How does David describe what God did when He created David?

2. What was David's reaction to God's creation of his body and soul?

3. What is your reaction to the creation that is your body and soul?

4. If you believe that God is personally involved in your life, how does it change how you live?

SECTION IV. The Bible has much to say about God and His relationship to His creation. David clearly believed that God created him personally and knew him intimately.

Read Psalm 104:24-30.

1. How are things created? Which word shows that this creation is continuing? (verse 30)
2. To whom does the universe and everything in it belong? (verse 24)
3. Where does everything we personally have come from? Is it ours?
4. Who controls life and death? (verse 29)
5. How does what these verses say conflict with some of our ideas about our possessions, what we are able to do, and our lives and deaths?