

## September 24th Sermon Questions Foundations: Of Life with God

Genesis 1:26, 3:20

<u>Icebreaker</u>: Go anywhere in the world right now, where would you go and why?

Discussion Questions: Read Genesis 1:26, 3:20

- 1. How do you think our culture typically conceives of God--an old man in the sky, a cosmic Santa Claus, etc.? How do you?
- 2. The doctrine of the Trinity is a mystery that is slowly revealed as the story of the Scriptures unfolds. However, in Genesis 1, the very first chapter of the Bible, there are numerous hints about the plurality of the One True God. For example, v.26 says, "Let us make man in our image, after our likeness." What do you think about these early indicators in the Bible regarding the Trinity?
- 3. The Westminster Shorter Catechism-which our church assents to theologically-says, "There are three persons in the Godhead; the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost; and these three are one God, the same in substance, equal in power and glory." What do you think about this concise explanation of the Trinity? Is this a new doctrine to you? How does it strike you?
- 4. What do you typically believe, feel, and/or act like is the point of Christianity, our life with God-sin management, personal holiness, doing good works, etc.? Why do you think that is the case?
- 5. In his book *Delighting in the Trinity*, Michael Reeves argues that the primary human problem is our straying from God and that the primary purpose of the Christian life is delighting in God. What do you think of his assessment? Do you agree or disagree? Why?
- 6. God-who He is- defines our life with God. We were created out of an overflow of God's love in order to participate in that love. If you really believed that you are made from, by, and for divine love, how might that affect the way you live?