

Lessons in Life -- Lesson 2 – Where Did You Come From? – Part 2

Introduction: We live in a world that says (1) You came from nothing. (2) When you die, you go back to nothing. If we believe this, then what does the present mean? It means nothing so we live as if nothing matters. We live for wine, women, and song. Yet everyone knows that murder, stealing, lying, and adultery are wrong. How are we to balance the conflict between our conscience and the values of the world? The Bible begins by telling us where we came from.

From a Bible read Genesis 2:4 through 2:25. Read it several times first from whatever translation you have. Then find a modern Bible translation such as The New King James, English Standard Version, or New American Standard. Read it several more times and answer these questions:

Genesis 1 tells the account of how God created the world in seven days. Genesis 2:4-25 goes back and fills in some details. We will look at 2:4-17 in this lesson.

From what did God make man (2:4-7)?

What is the Garden of Eden like (2:8-14)?

What two trees does Moses name (2:9)?

What does Genesis 2:15 tell us about work? About idleness?

What is the one command God gives Adam (2:16-17)?

What does “knowledge of good and evil” mean?

What is the penalty for disobedience?

What does God mean when by the word “surely” (2:17)?

1 Peter 5:5 says that “God resists the proud but gives grace to the humble.” What have you learned from this lesson about life that would cause you to be more humble?