STUDY GUIDE

PRAYER 04.22.2018

[start with prayer]

Missions Prayer Focus this week: Brian Bonus—Missionary to Asia

[set up]

What was said from the service last weekend that was meaningful, helpful, or stayed with you?

What is one field of science or finding in science that has helped encourage you in and support you in your faith in Christ?

[digging deeper]

It was said that the conflict of Christianity vs. science is a false narrative, that it's not a science vs. faith issue but a worldview vs. worldview issue. What does that mean, and do you agree?

Read Romans 1:16-25. What stands out to you? Did you see anything new to you? What resonates with you most?

Each person take a minute to summarize these verses in a brief sentence and then share it with your group.

Verse 20 speaks to God being clearly perceived in what is made. What are some aspects of creation that strongly point you to God?

If you can, share a story of when God used creation to get your attention or make His presence and power very clear to you.

When you look around our world today, how do you see the truth of what is said in verses 21-25?

The Bible is not a science book, but there is evidence of scientific understanding in it. Look at the following verses, then write what each verse is referring to that we understand now through science. (Option - You can divide up the verses in your LifeGroup and come back and report.)

Genesis 1:4	
Isaiah 40:22	
Job 26:7	

Ecclesiastes 1:6-7
Deuteronomy 23:10-11
Job 38:16

What does Psalm 111:2 encourage us to do?

[living it out]

On a scale of 1-10, "1" being *Exclusively Faith* and "10" being *Exclusively Science*, where would you put yourself on how you engage both faith and science for your belief in God? _____ Are you happy with that number? If not, what can you do to move in the direction you desire?

What is one topic related to those with a strictly scientific worldview that you have not felt equipped to answer, and how can you develop a better answer to it?

[end with prayer]

Close in prayer by using Romans 1:16-25 as a prayer guide - praying back to God what grips your heart on this topic.

Here are a few book recommendations if you are curious in reading more on this topic: https://www.christianitytoday.com/ct/2018/march/5-books-that-bring-science-and-christianity-together.html