

Church Picnic

TICKETS:

Adults - \$10.00

Children 4 to 10 - \$5.00

Children 3 and under FREE

August 22nd
Tahoe Paradise Park

TRI-TIP DINNER

SERVED FROM 1:00 TO 2:00PM



A view of Earth from space, showing the curvature of the planet and the blue atmosphere. A bright sun is visible on the left side, creating a lens flare effect. The text "the book of GENESIS" is overlaid in a large, white, bold font, with "the book of" in a smaller font above "GENESIS".

the book of
GENESIS

what it tells us about God and life

¹ Then God blessed Noah and his sons, saying to them, "Be fruitful and increase in number and fill the earth. ² The fear and dread of you will fall upon all the beasts of the earth and all the birds of the air, upon every creature that moves along the ground, and upon all the fish of the sea; they are given into your hands. ³ Everything that lives and moves will be food for you. Just as I gave you the green plants, I now give you everything.

⁴ But you must not eat meat that has its lifeblood still in it. ⁵ And for your lifeblood I will surely demand an accounting. I will demand an accounting from every animal. And from each man, too, I will demand an accounting for the life of his fellow man.

⁶ Whoever sheds the blood of man, by man shall his blood be shed; for in the image of God has God made man. ⁷ As for you, be fruitful and increase in number; multiply on the earth and increase upon it."

⁸ Then God said to Noah and to his sons with him:
⁹ "I now establish my covenant with you and with your descendants after you ¹⁰ and with every living creature that was with you—the birds, the livestock and all the wild animals, all those that came out of the ark with you—every living creature on earth. ¹¹ I establish my covenant with you: Never again will all life be cut off by the waters of a flood; never again will there be a flood to destroy the earth."

¹² And God said, "This is the sign of the covenant I am making between me and you and every living creature with you, a covenant for all generations to come: ¹³ I have set my rainbow in the clouds, and it will be the sign of the covenant between me and the earth. ¹⁴ Whenever I bring clouds over the earth and the rainbow appears in the clouds, ¹⁵ I will remember my covenant between me and you and all living creatures of every kind.

¹⁵Never again will the waters become a flood to destroy all life. ¹⁶Whenever the rainbow appears in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and all living creatures of every kind on the earth." ¹⁷So God said to Noah, "This is the sign of the covenant I have established between me and all life on the earth."

¹ Then God blessed Noah and his sons, saying to them, "Be fruitful and increase in number and fill the earth.




²The fear and dread of you will fall upon all the beasts of the earth and all the birds of the air, ...³ Everything that lives and moves will be food for you.

Relating To Creation

“I will establish my covenant with you and with every living creature that was with you.”

“This is the sign of the covenant I’m making between you and every living creature with you.”

Relating To Creation



“When the rainbow appears in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and all living creatures of every kind on the earth.”

Relating To Creation

verse 13, ...it will be the sign of the covenant between me and the earth.

“Never again will I curse the
ground because of man ...”

Genesis 8:21–22



¹⁹ For the creation waits in eager expectation for the children of God to be revealed. ²⁰ For the creation was subjected to frustration, not by its own choice, but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope ²¹ that the creation itself will be liberated... Romans 8:19-21



...from its bondage to decay and brought into the freedom and glory of the children of God.²² We know that the whole creation has been groaning as in the pains of childbirth right up to the present time.

Romans 8:21,22



For the creation waits in eager
expectation for the children of
God to be revealed.

Romans 8:19

“All Nature is waiting for us to
become what we are supposed
to be.”



Elisabeth Elliot



"A clam glorifies God better than you do because the clam is being the clam God made it to be, and you are not being the man or the woman God made you to be."

For Let the heavens rejoice, let the earth be glad; let the sea resound, and all that is in it.¹² Let the fields be jubilant, and everything in them; let all the trees of the forest sing for joy.¹³ Let all creation rejoice before the Lord, for he comes, he comes to judge the earth.

Psalm 96:11-13



Relating To One Another

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“And I will require the blood of anyone who takes another person’s life. If a wild animal kills a person, it must die. And anyone who murders a fellow human must die. ⁶ If anyone takes a human life, that person’s life will also be taken by human hands. For God made human beings in his own image.

Genesis 9:5,6

Relating To One Another

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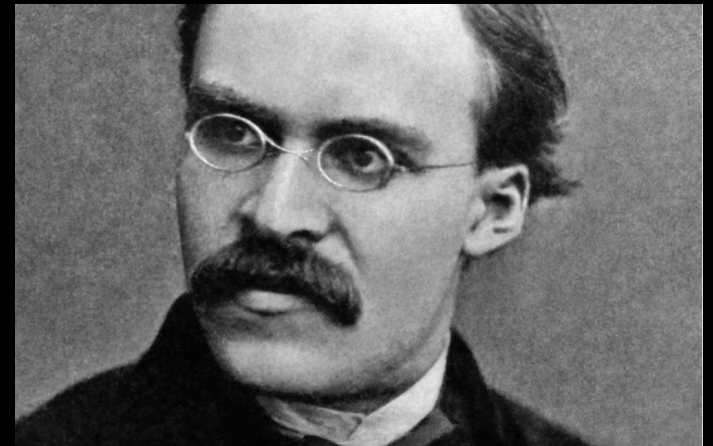
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Genesis 9:5,6

5 And for your lifeblood I will surely demand an accounting. I will demand an accounting from every animal.

“We came from nothing, and we’re going to nothing. Meanwhile, we sit here trapped between two nothings, contemplating our nothingness.”

Friedrich Nietzsche





Therefore, as we have opportunity,
let us do good to all people,
especially to those who belong to
the family of believers.

Galatians 6:10







John Calvin

Protestant Theologian

“The Lord commands us to do good to all without exception, but when we look around at our fellow human beings, we see so many who are unworthy if judged by their own merits.”



John Calvin

Protestant Theologian

“But here Scripture helps us in the very best way when it teaches us we are never to consider what men merit of themselves, but to look upon the image of God in all to which we owe honor and love.”



John Calvin

Protestant Theologian

“Therefore, whatever one you meet who needs your aid, you have no reason to refuse to help them. You say, ‘Ah, but he is contemptible and worthless,’ but the Lord shows him to be one to whom he has deigned to give the beauty of his image.”



John Calvin

Protestant Theologian

“If he not only deserves no good at your hand but has also provoked you by unjust acts and curses, not even this is just reason why you should cease to embrace him in love and to perform duties of love on his behalf.”



John Calvin

Protestant Theologian

"You may say, 'He has deserved something far different from me,' yet what has the Lord deserved? It is that we respond to, not their merits, but to look upon the image of God in them, which deletes their transgressions and with its beauty and dignity allures us to love and embrace them."

But I say, love your enemies! Pray
for those who persecute you! ⁴⁵ In
that way, you will be acting as true
children of your Father in heaven.

Matthew 5:44,45



Relating To God

3

“This is the sign of the covenant I am making between me and you and every living creature with you, a covenant for all generations to come: ¹³ I have set my rainbow in the clouds, and it will be the sign of the covenant between me and the earth.

Genesis 9:12,13



Relating To God

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I have set my rainbow
in the clouds,
Genesis 9:13

Relating To God

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I have laid up my
War Bow in the
clouds, Genesis 9:13



Charles Spurgeon

Famous London Preacher

"We should know the reason God is able to lay his bow up, because it's aimed up not down."

...we thought his troubles were a punishment from God, a punishment for his own sins! ⁵ But he was pierced for our rebellion, crushed for our sins. He was beaten so we could be whole. He was whipped so we could be healed.⁶ All of us, like sheep, have strayed away. We have left God's paths to follow our own. Yet the Lord laid on him the sins of us all.

Isaiah 53:4-6



God made him who had no sin to be
sin for us, so that in him we might
become the righteousness of God.

2 Corinthians 5:21







Mother Teresa

I see Jesus in every human being. I say to myself, this is hungry Jesus, I must feed him. This is sick Jesus. The one with leprosy and gangrene; I must wash and attend to him. I serve because I love Jesus.

