

Week of March 17, 2019

Family

DEVOTIONAL SHEET



Lesson
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The Seven C's of History

Lesson Summary

The Bible records actual history. We call it The History Book of the Universe. It is not made up. God would not lead us astray — after all, He has been here all the time — He has seen it all, and He does not lie!

Because we know this about God and His Word, we can trust it as our absolute authority. In other words, if you hear something that does not fit in with God's history, then we must ask ourselves if it can be true.

The evolutionary story of the world begins with a big bang about 13 billion years ago. The earth supposedly formed about 4.5 billion years ago, and the first simple life forms arose about 3.5 billion years ago. From these simple life forms evolved all species of animals we have today, including man. This history is contradictory to the biblical account. Unfortunately, it is prevalent in our culture and increasingly found even in the church.

God's history can be easily recapped with the Seven C's of History. They start at the beginning of creation and end

at the ending of this present earth. They are Creation, Corruption, Catastrophe, Confusion, Christ, Cross, and Consummation. Six of these events are in the past; one still to come. These events are actual historical accounts — Adam was real; he was created on Day Six of creation; his sin cast the whole human race into sin; the Flood was a real, global catastrophic event; the confusion at the Tower of Babel really occurred and was the beginning of different languages and people groups; Jesus Christ really lived, died, and rose again; and one day He will return.

The Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod's doctrinal position holds the Bible to be the true Word of God and the history recorded in it can be trusted.

Monday — Read John 3:12

1. Can we believe the “heavenly things” that the Bible speaks of?

2. According to this verse, should we then believe the “earthly things” that the Bible speaks of? What are some of these things?

Tuesday

1. Discuss how the following passages explain the first and second of the Seven C's of History.

Genesis 1:31; John 1:1-3 -

Genesis 2:17; Romans 5:12 -

Wednesday

1. Discuss how the following passages explain the third and fourth of the Seven C's of History.

Genesis 7:23; 2 Peter 3:5-6 -

Genesis 11:9; Acts 17:26 -

Thursday

1. Discuss how the following passages explain the fifth and sixth of the Seven C's of History.

Isaiah 9:6-7; Matthew 1:21 -

Isaiah 53:4-5; John 19:17-18 -

Friday

1. Discuss how the following passage explains the seventh of the Seven C's of History.

Isaiah 25:8; Revelation 21:4 -

2. How does having a biblical worldview help us make sense of the world we live in?

3. How could you use the Seven C's to explain the gospel to someone?

Memory Verse

Review the memory verse with your family each night.

Psalm 8:3-4 When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars, which you have set in place, what is man that you are mindful of him, and the son of man that you care for him?.

Prayer - Thank God for His Word that gives us the true history of the universe. Ask him to help us have a truly biblical worldview—to see the world the way it really is. Ask God for opportunities and boldness to share the truth of His Word with others.

Family Prayer Requests: