



## **Week 3: Mud on the Tires**

*Theme: Goodness of Creation*

### **Icebreaker:**

Share a trip or vacation when you truly experienced the wonder of God in creation.

### **Message Bible Text:**

Genesis 1:2

### **Discussion Questions:**

1. If we believe that God is the Maker and Creator, how do we struggle with our own acknowledgement of God's authority?
2. Why does God have the right to establish what is right and true for us?
3. What parts of creation compel you to worship?

### **Supplemental Bible Texts:**

Psalms 104; Psalm 19; Romans 1:2; Job 38

### **Discussion Questions:**

1. How would you explain the fallen parts of creation? Read Romans 8:18-23
2. What truth about God has been revealed to you through His creation?

## Take-Home Thoughts:

- Consider the phrase: "Owners have rights; stewards have responsibilities." What are God's rights? In your vocation or daily life, what are ways we're called to redeem creation?
- Creation is an invitation to know God.

## Prayer Requests (use the extra bullets to place your own requests or your small group's requests):

- Give thanks for the harvest and pray for safety for the farmers. Give thanks for sending providential rains.
- Give thanks for the Yaw family's successful bone marrow transplant.
- Pray for God to reveal to you one new aspect of His creation that leads you to deeper worship of the Creator.
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## Memory Verse:

**Psalm 19:1 The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the work of His hands.**

## Prayer:

*God - Thank you for revealing yourself to us through your creation. Help us be good stewards of everything you have given us. May we see you each day in the beauty that surrounds us. Forgive us when we are discouraged by the wrong that often seems so strong. Thank you that we can rest in your promise that nothing can ever separate us from your love.*