

Beginnings 2/6/22 Genesis 2:4-17

- 1. Ice Breaker: Eden means "delight." If you could do anything on a Saturday, what would it be? Describe your perfect, delightful (Edenful) Saturday.
- **2**. Drew opened with the question, "If God is so good, why are things so messy?"
  - \*\*What has been your experience with this perceived problem?
  - \*\*Would you be willing to share your journey?
- **3**. Eden is a picture of what it was like before sin entered the world, and one of Drew's points was that Jesus can help us reconstruct that world. But in order to do that, we need to get to know Jesus.
  - \*\*Do you feel like you know Jesus?
- \*\*Which of these relationships best describes your relationship with Jesus: a good friend, father, out of state friend, distant cousin, or estranged sibling?

**For further discussion**: Read Psalm 139:13-18. This describes how well God knew us before we even knew ourselves. Drew also mentioned that God created us for intimacy with him in the same way that he breathed the breath of life into Adam.

- \*\*How would you describe an "intimate" relationship?
- \*\*Describe the best relationship you have right now. Does your definition of intimate describe that relationship?
- \*\*Do you believe that your relationship with God can be as good as or even be better than your best relationship?
- **4**. Drew also talked about how our work is a good and healthy thing that was present before the fall. If we view work negatively, we should shift our view of work so that it is a blessing instead of a curse?
  - \*\*What has been your view of your work?
  - \*\*If it is causing extra stress, what steps can you take to shift that view?

