



08/08/2021 "Start Here"

1. When were you first introduced to the Bible?
2. Would you say you grew up seeing the bible as a textbook, instruction guide, or a story? What are some benefits and dangers in each of these?
3. Have you seen your view of or approach to the Bible change over time? How?
4. How would you describe the Bible to someone picking it up for the first time?
5. What stood out to you from Sunday's message? Why?
6. Read Isaiah 2:3. To whom was the text given? Why does this matter when it comes to reading the text? (There is a parallel verse in Micah 4:2)
7. What things should be considered when reading something that was not written specifically to us?
8. Pastor John mentioned how the Hebrew culture had a different focus than Greek culture. What were some of the differences he mentioned?
9. What would it mean to "read the Bible the way it was written"?
10. Take a few moments to voice the questions you might have about the Bible. This may not be the time to offer answers, but a great time to raise questions. Have someone in the group write them down.
11. Over the coming weeks, Grace will be studying the book of Genesis in greater detail. This week, take a few minutes to read Genesis 1-11 taking note of times where God's words or actions surprise you.