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SERIES: THE BIBLE FOR GROWN-UPS

Episode 1: "Last Things First"

The story of how the world got the Bible begins with a single event—an event so extraordinary it was worth writing about.

QUESTIONS

01 How were you first introduced to the Bible?

02 Has your view of the Bible changed as you've gotten older? If so, how?

03 If you had the chance to read the personal journal of someone whose life has influenced yours, who would you choose? Why would their stories and ideas be meaningful to you?

04 When it comes to faith, the Bible, or God, have you found yourself saying, *"I just don't believe it anymore"*? What is the "it" you no longer believe?

05 If John's account of the life of Jesus was all you had, would it change the way you view the Bible? Would it change what you believe about faith?

NOTES

BOTTOM LINE

Christianity is not the result of something that was written; it's the result of something that happened—the resurrection of Jesus.

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Episode 2: "In the Beginning"

Throughout history, there have been plenty of theories about how the world was created. Moses' account in the book of Genesis stands in startling contrast to them all.

QUESTIONS

01 *"In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth"* (Gen. 1:1). What comes to mind when you think about this verse?

02 Andy mentioned that, in Genesis, Moses is not trying to explain *how* God created the heavens and the earth. Moses is making the case that God (not the gods) created the universe. Does this distinction change the way you think about the creation account? If so, how?

03 God decided every man, woman, and child would be born with dignity because they were made in his image. How does this statement resonate with you?

04 Does the new worldview described in Genesis offer you any helpful insights when it comes to life's big questions of *"Why are you here?"* and *"Why do you matter?"* Explain.

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You're here on purpose, with a purpose.

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Episode 3: "The Old Testament"

The Old Testament of the Bible is the gritty, epic history of the people of Israel. But even broader than that, it's the story of God preparing the world for a Savior.

QUESTIONS

01 Has something in the Old Testament ever caused you to question or doubt the existence and/or nature of God? If so, explain.

02 If you grew up learning stories from the Bible, did you ever encounter people who tried to "tidy up" parts of the Old Testament? How did they do so?

03 Andy mentioned that the texts in the Old Testament tell the story of God's fulfilled contract with the people of Israel. In contrast, his new covenant, instituted by Jesus, involves not just one nation but all nations. Does this change, challenge, or reinforce your view of the Bible and/or God? Explain.

04 How is reading the Old Testament as a historical record of the Hebrew people different than reading it as a spiritual guidebook?

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BOTTOM LINE

God played by the rules of the kingdoms of this world in order to usher in a kingdom not of this world.

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Episode 4: "For the World"

The Bible did not create Christianity. That means peace with God is possible even when we don't have peace with everything in the Bible.

QUESTIONS

01 Do you find yourself getting hung up on Old Testament ideas or applications? What expectations and standards can you let go of because of Jesus' new covenant?

02 Andy mentioned we should read the Old Testament for inspiration and motivation, but not application. Do you agree? Why or why not?

03 Based on Jesus' new covenant command, what should be the primary focus of Christians' lives?

04 What makes the idea of "loving one another as Christ loved us" difficult to embrace? How do Christians fall short in this area?

05 Jesus' early followers based their faith on his extraordinary resurrection. What would happen if you were to revisit or begin your faith there, too?

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BOTTOM LINE

We can have peace with God without having peace with everything in the Bible.

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