

1. Foundations Lesson 3 Outline:

a. One Sentence Summary: Life is all about God.

b. Outline

i. Introduction

1. Review

a. Lesson 1- Importance of a firm foundation

b. Lesson 2-Believers are to form their faith upon Christ.

c. We can build correctly or incorrectly upon Christ. There can be Christians who have a faith in Christ, but are not living correctly according to God's word.

d. Journey- there can be Christians who have a faith in Christ, but are not living correctly according to God's word.

e. We say life is about God, but we live as if life is about us. We say God is on the throne and everything revolves around Him, but we live life as if everything revolves around us.

ii. Body

1. God is on the throne and everything revolves around Him!

a. Rom. 11.36- For from Him and through Him and to Him are all things. To Him be the glory forever! Amen.

i. FROM = He spoke and it came into being. Nothing came into being that God didn't create. He is the author of all things. He has willed everything to be that we now see and experience.

ii. THROUGH = all things hold together in God. Nothing holds together without God making it hold together.

iii. TO GOD = That means everything around you right now, your computer screen, the computer itself, the light you are seeing by, the chair you are sitting in, the clothes on your back, are to point you to God.

iv. Rom. 11.36 NLT: For everything comes from Him and exists by His power and is intended for His glory. All glory to Him forever! Amen.

v. Rom. 11.36 ICB: 36Yes, God made all things. And everything continues through God and for God. To God be the glory forever! Amen.

b. I Chr. 29: "O LORD the God of our ancestor Israel, may you be praised forever and ever! 11Yours, O LORD, is the greatness, the power, the glory, the victory, and the majesty...

i. Everything around us is HIS kingdom! We are subject to Him whether we like it or not! And anything we have comes from God!

c. Daniel 2.20 Then Daniel praised the God of heaven. 20 He said, "Praise the name of God forever and ever, for He has all wisdom and power. 21 He controls the course of world events: removes kings and sets up other kings.

i. God controls world events.

ii. Our scientists are given that wisdom by God.

- iii. He reveals deep and mysterious things and knows what lies hidden in darkness! And if God is the one who gives it, then everything revolves around Him!
  - d. Acts 17.24NLT: 24“He is the God who made the world and everything in it. Since He is Lord of heaven and earth, He doesn’t live in man-made temples; 25 and human hands can’t serve His needs—for He has no needs. He himself gives life and breath to everything, and He satisfies every need
    - i. God made the world and everything in it.
    - ii. He is the Lord of heaven and earth.
    - iii. He gives life and breath to everything and satisfies every need.
  - e. Col. 1.15 NLT: 15 Christ is the visible image of the invisible God. He existed before anything was created and is supreme over all creation, 16 for through Him God created everything in the heavenly realms and on earth. He made the things we can see and the things we can’t see— such as thrones, kingdoms, rulers, and authorities in the unseen world. Everything was created through Him and for Him
    - i. Christ existed before anything else existed; we are not equal to Him. God is superior. God never began, He always was, and therefore He is preeminent.
      - 1. The universe was created for God!
      - 2. The earth was created for God. It was not created for us. It was not created for people in general.
      - 3. It also means that you and I were created For God. Our purpose is not for ourselves. Even our very existence is FOR God.
  - f. I Tim. 1.17 All honor and glory to God forever and ever! He is the eternal King, the unseen one who never dies; He alone is God. Amen.
  - g. I Tim.6.16 He alone can never die, and He lives in light so brilliant that no human can approach Him, nor ever will. All honor and power to Him forever! Amen.
  - h. Rev. 4.9: 9And when the living creatures give glory and honor and thanks to Him who sits on the throne, to Him who lives forever and ever, 10the twenty-four elders will fall down before Him who sits on the throne, and will worship Him who lives forever and ever, 11“Worthy are You, our Lord and our God, to receive glory and honor and power; for You created all things, and because of Your will they existed, and were created.”
2. Why do we worship?
- a. Because He created us, He is worthy to receive glory, honor and power.

- b. Everything was created for God's pleasure, to put a smile on God's face. You and I are here to please God.
3. Everything revolves around God. He is the supreme creator of all things. He thought us up. He holds us together.
4. Our focus should be on Him. Everything should revolve around Him.
5. Proverbs 16.4 NLT: The LORD has made everything for His own purposes, even the wicked for a day of disaster. God is completely in charge and in control. God is using everything for His own purposes.
6. Review
  - a. We're laying upon the foundation that Paul has given us in Jesus Christ.
  - b. If we don't build upon it correctly, God will not get the greatest glory and we will not get the greatest joy.
  - c. We are learning that God, right now, and always, is on a throne and He is ruling and reigning over all things.
  - d. We have also found that everything is to revolve around Him. For from Him and through Him and to Him are all things.
  - e. We are also finding out that He is to be worshiped and praised simply because He made us, He created us, and He thought us up. For that reason alone, He is to be praised!
  - f. Once we put God in His rightful place, we begin laying a correct foundation that will give us a theology that will be able to stand up against anything life can throw at us.

### iii. Conclusion

1. The Bible is all about God. Life is all about God. Our lives need to be all about God.
2. Therefore we need to be asking the simple question, "What does God get out of this, not, "What do I get out of this."
3. Learning to ask this question will help you discover your greatest Joy, and will bring God, His greatest glory!