

# Thinking Christian

Week 3

BRBC Groups

October 16, 2022

**Scripture** | Genesis 1:26-31, Romans 3:21-26, 2 Corinthians 5:14-21

**Ice Breaker** | 1. Do you have a favourite book or genre of fiction you like to read? Why is that your favourite?

**Going Deeper** |

1. Is there anything that stood out to you from Sunday's message, or do you have any questions?
2. When you think about humanity, do you think we are naturally good or bad?
3. Read Genesis 1:26-31
4. What does this passage tell us about people?
5. What does it mean to be made in the image of God?
6. What is humanity's responsibility, according to this passage?
7. Do you think humanity has been faithful in doing what God asked of them in this text? Why or why not?
8. While this poetic text tells us humanity was created as good, the story that follows shows us that while created good, we chose to disregard God and sinned (Genesis 2-3). In the story of Eden, we are told everything is good, and humanity has everything it needs; why do you think people would have chosen to disregard the good that God offered them and give into temptation to do the one thing they were asked not to do? (feel free to read Genesis 2-3 if you need a refresher)
9. Read Romans 3:21-26
10. What does this passage tell us about the human condition?
11. Why is it important to know and believe that "all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God?"
12. What is God's solution to the problem of sin? Why does He do it?
13. How do we experience justification and redemption according to this passage? What do we have to do to experience it?
14. Read 2 Corinthians 5:14-21
15. What is the basis of Paul's argument here?
16. How are we to view other people, according to Paul?
17. What does it look like to live like a new creation? What practical things could we do?
18. If you were to self-evaluate, do you right now see yourself as a new creation in Christ or see more of the old self of sin in your daily life? What can we do to live more like new creations every day?