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WEEK OF February 11 – February 17 / GROUP TIME GUIDE

This guide is given to <u>aide</u> in the facilitation of leading your small group. It is <u>only an aide</u> for you to experience Christ together.

Prayer: Begin your time in group together by inviting God to be with you. Ask Him to change you as you seek Him and study His Word together. Ask him to use everyone in the group to encourage, challenge, and teach one another.

Bible Study:

- 1. Pastor Vance used the intro of his sermon to make the statement that Genesis is probably the most important book ever written. In fact, we will be spending the next three weeks in it alone.
 - a. Why did he say this about Genesis? Give some, not all, reasons he made this claim.
 - b. How is Genesis seen as the foundation of the Bible?
- 2. Out of Genesis 1:1, Pastor Vance taught this big idea: "For His glory, God created the world to be inhabited by people who would love Him and be loved by Him." He broke it up in three different parts, the first being, "For His glory."
 - a. How did Pastor Vance teach that God created the world for His glory? What does that mean for us as human beings?
 - b. What does it mean for God to be the beginning, the middle, and end of all things?
- 3. Secondly, Pastor Vance expanded to, "For His glory, God created the world." From this he taught how God created everything and why he made it so expansive.
 - a. How did God create the world and everything in it (and everything outside of it)?
 - b. Why did God create all of creation, even the things we can't see or are too far out for us to see (like the billions of solar systems)?
 - c. What effect should this have on us as human beings today?
- 4. Finally, Pastor Vance finished the big idea, "For His glory, God created the world to be inhabited by people who would love Him and be loved by Him."
 - a. Why is it significant that at the crowning point of creation, God made human beings?
 - b. How out of Genesis 1:26-28, 31 did Pastor Vance teach that we were made to know and love God?
 - c. If Genesis 1:1 isn't true what does that imply for all of life? Explain.

Practical Application: Now that you generally know the story of the Bible, who can you share it with? We live in the 4th least Bible-minded city in America, who in your life has never heard this story?