# creator & creation

# Study 2

GENESIS 1 -11

GENESIS 1:26 -2:3

## **Share**

Deep down do you think humans are good or evil? Why do you think that?

### Read

Genesis 1:26-2:3

#### **Observe**

• What is different about these verses, compared to the verses earlier? What changes in the pattern and the language do you notice?

#### Reflect

- Based on these verses alone, what do you think is meant by the idea of being made in God's 'image'?
- How does the unique account of humanity's creation, shape the way we value and honour fellow humans (differently to the rest of the created world).
- What is the difference between living as 'an image bearer' of God and living like we are god?
- Which of the seven days mentioned in Genesis 1-2:3 do you think is 'the climax'? The goal? Why?

#### **Compare**

Psalm 8 & Hebrews 2:5-9

• How does the Hebrews passage help us think about how the rule of God's image bearer is exercised in the world today?

#### **Next steps**

• In what ways do you find that you live *as if* you don't believe Genesis 1:26-2:3 even if in your head you do?

# **Pray**

Pray for each other, that we will know the dignity and value of all human life, seeking the eternal rest that is found in Jesus.