



## Week 5: Q & Eh Sunday!

### APPETIZER: People are Different

Some interesting reactions to this series...

### DINE IN: Pastor on the Hot Seat

- Does **Genesis 1:29-30** suggest that God intended humans to be vegetarians?  
**Genesis 1:29-30 + Genesis 9:3**
- Were Adam and Eve officially married or just friends with benefits?
- How could God have used evolution to create life when **Romans 5:12** says death didn't enter the world until Adam and Eve sinned?
- Why would God use evolution – a process of deformation and death, adaptation and extinction – to create the diversity of life?
- If the garden of Eden was meant to be a safe and secure place for human flourishing, much like the Church is meant to be, why did God allow the serpent to get in?
- Does the doctrine of "original sin" mean we are born bad?  
**Genesis 9:6; James 3:9**
- Where did the serpent come from?  
**Revelation 12**

- What is the desire that Eve will have for her husband in **Genesis 3:16**, and why is that part of the curse?
- Doesn't God making garments of skin for Adam and Eve refer to God showing them how to make sacrifices?
- In **Genesis 4:11** does God curse Cain?
- Why do some Christians think Cain's wife was his sister?  
*Y-chromosomal Adam*  
*Mitochondrial Eve*
- Couldn't the principle of accommodation become a dangerous slippery slope, allowing us to justify anything?
- If God doesn't need blood sacrifice to forgive sins, why did Jesus die?

**Luke 22:20**

**Hebrews 9-10**

### TAKE OUT: So What?

**HOMEWORK:** Every day this week, let's draw attention to Jesus. Like John the Baptist, let's find ways to make some noise about the Good News of the New Covenant. Ideas include:

- Download and work through our "Gospel Cheat Sheet" at [bruxy.com](http://bruxy.com) (look under "resources" / "print resources").
- Use social media to share sermon links.
- Use social media to share blog posts.
- Talk to a friend about something you've learned at church.
- Initiate a spiritually curious conversation – ask lots of questions.
- Ask someone going through a hard time if you can pray for them on the spot.
- Invite someone new to Sunday service or Home Church.
- Other? \_\_\_\_\_

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## Home Church Questions

### HANGOUT [Warming Up to the Topic – in one Large Group]

1. What stood out the most to you from this series? Overall lessons?
2. Have you been trying your homework this week and/or throughout this series? What has been your experience?

### HEAR [Listening to God through Scripture – in Discussion Groups]

3. Read **Hebrews 10:1-25** about the contrast between the Old and New Covenants. (Also see **8:13** and **9:14-22**.
  - a. What stands out to you from this passage or Sunday's message?
  - b. How does the death of Christ benefit us psychologically/emotionally, as well as spiritually?
  - c. Does God need the shedding of blood in order to forgive people? Discuss.
  - d. Knowing what a shadow is and how it is produced, in what ways is the Law like a shadow?
  - e. If all the killing of animals did not actually remove anyone's sins, then why did God institute the Old Testament sacrificial system?
  - f. How does **verse 8** illustrate the Principle of Accommodation?
  - g. What do you think **verse 14** means? In what ways are you already and not yet perfect/holy?
  - h. In the Old Testament, if an Israelite priest didn't properly purify himself before approaching the Holy of Holies in the tabernacle, God might strike him dead. Yikes! Now re-read **verses 19-22** and talk about how the New Covenant makes things better. (Also see **Hebrews 4:16**.) As far as your intimacy with God goes, do you tend to live with the emotion of an Old Testament priest or a New Testament saint?
  - i. Using principles from this passage, take turns explaining the gospel to each other.

### HUDDLE [Making It Personal and Praying Together – in Huddles]

4. How have you done on this week's homework? What do you plan to do about it this coming week? Is there anything your huddle can do to help you beyond prayer?
5. What else has God been convicting or encouraging you about through this week's teaching? How will you respond?