

# Winter: Acts 2:42 Life Group Week 3

## “Out from the Dirt”

Genesis 2:1-14

### Getting to know each other:

- 1) We heard that Sabbath means rest. If you could take 3 months off from all the responsibilities and expectations that are placed upon your everyday life, where would you choose to go and what would you like to do...knowing that after the 3 months, things will go back to the way they were?

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### Getting into the Word:

- 2) Knowing that we are made out of dirt and dust should not discourage you at all. After all, God is the Master Gardener and the Potter. And so, He works well with dirt. What can you glean from the following verses? Gen.2:7...Ps.33:13-15...Ps.139:13-18...Isa.29:15-16...Isa.64:6-8...Jer.1:4-8...1Cor.15:42-49...John 15:1-5

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- 3) The Bible teaches both the Sovereignty of God and the free will of human beings. These two important doctrines seem to be diametrically opposed to one another. It's best that we don't choose one side over the other, but that we believe what the Bible says about both. How have you reconciled this in your own mind? See: Gen.2:9...John 6:35-40...John 15:11- 17... Rom.9:14-26...2Tim. 2:20-21...John 3:16-17...Jer.18:1-6...Eph.2:7-10...Ezek.18:30-32.

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***As it pertains to the Sovereignty of God and free will of man, Pastor Chuck Smith said, "This doesn't make sense to me, but I'd rather be confused, believing everything the Bible says, rather than to pick and choose which parts of the Bible to believe. Both extreme positions on this issue, whether Calvinists or Armenians, are correct in what they assert and wrong in what they deny. As for me, I believe it all."***