

Keep Talking Discussion Guide

Start Talking

- What's the best piece of advice you've ever received?

Keep Reading

- Read Genesis 1:28. God empowered humans to *subdue* the earth. To subdue means to bring order, control or to govern. How have you tried to manage and care for the part of creation under your influence?
- This verse also mentions *ruling* over the fish, birds and other animals. Often the word "rule" conjures a negative connotation. We think of rulers and people in authority who have abused their power and exploited others. What kind of ruler is God over His creation?
- What principles can we learn from how God cares for creation?
- Read Proverbs 12:10. How does stewardship apply to how we treat animals?
- This is a topic that fosters much debate. *So please show respect and grace for potential diverse opinions.* How do you know when you've crossed the line into animal cruelty?
- Food for thought: Does how a person treats animals influence how they treat people?
- Read 1 Peter 4:10. What jumps out for you?

Keep Moving

- Use the S.O.A.P. method this week to study Scripture.
 - Scripture: Read a verse(s) of Scripture.
 - Observation: What do you notice?
 - Application: What is God saying to me today?
 - Prayer: If God has revealed something to you, pray about it.

Keep Praying

- How can we pray for each other?