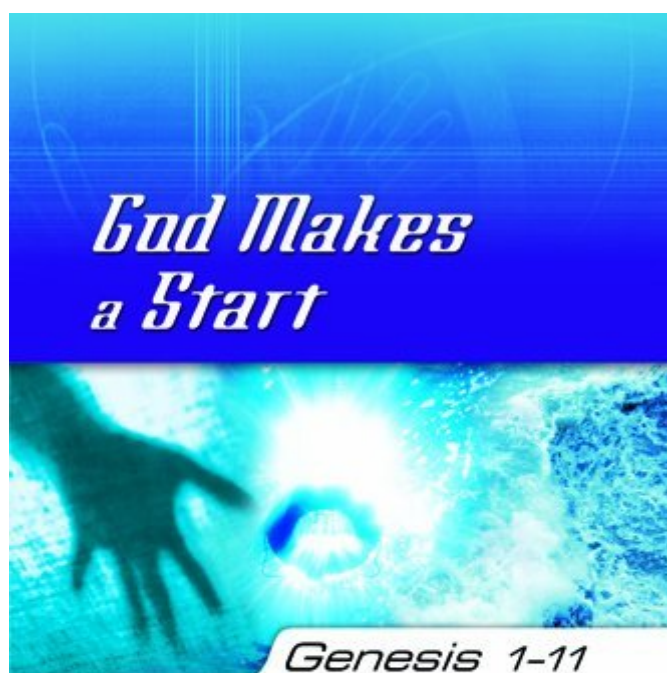


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Exploring
God's Word

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Synopsis

Genesis 1-11: God Makes a Start is an excellent Bible study resource for teens wanting a better understanding of how and why God created the world, and why the earliest events of the Bible should matter to us today. The stories of Adam and Eve, of their sons Cain and Abel, of the people who provoked the flood and those who built the tower of Babel: all of these stories display our human tendency to overstep our limits as creatures, to take control of our lives apart from God, to treat one another unjustly. The Genesis accounts tell us that our unhappiness stems from our failure to trust and obey our creator. Against this background, Jesus' life and death emerge as a deliberate reversal of the deep-rooted human tendency to distrust and disobey God. Designed as a guided discovery, Six Weeks with the Bible for Catholic Teens introduces high school students to books of the Bible by integrating the biblical text with insightful questions to help youth discern what Scripture means for their lives today. The series provides students with a clear explanation of Biblical text, opportunities for prayer, and a means to enter into conversation with God.

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The author's questions, explanations and insight from Catholic sources provide a sound basis to Christian anthropology, i.e., what is the nature of man and women and what are the key aspects of our relationship to God as revealed in the opening of the Book of Genesis. Our study group is delighting in the Sacred Scripture through this guide.

The Perrotta "Six Weeks" titles have been a Godsend for Scripture study groups and individuals' self-directed study. As of July 2013, Loyola Press has dozens of these titles, some in Spanish. Each is designed as a "guided discovery." That is, each acts as "a friendly park ranger who points out noteworthy details and explains what you are looking at." But also there are questions to challenge your understanding and application to integrate the discovery. The booklet contains the sections of Scripture under consideration for each of the six weeks--the translation used is the New Revised Standard Version-Catholic Edition. However, having several Bibles (in various translations) available would be very useful for context. While the study material is approached from a Catholic perspective (each booklet has an imprimatur), modern mainstream Christian scholarship is the basis. Books by well-known authors such as von Rad, Westermann, Vawter, and Brueggemann are recommended for further discernment. Having personally used several of these titles in groups that I have facilitated, I can recommend them without reservation.

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