

The God Who Shoulders All, Jan. 22 to 25, 2026

WHY LEARNING COMMUNITIES? *Circle Two Opportunity...*

To become better and better disciples of Christ TOGETHER so we can face **anything** through...

1. Deeper learning of Biblical truth and 2. Stronger “iron sharpening iron” relationships

Ephesians 4:12–16 (ESV)

Check-in on logistics of Bible Recap

How it is going so far... struggles... suggestions... tips for other people...

IMPORTANT: Scripture is descriptive not prescriptive; reporting what happened not what should happen

Review from Sunday

Foundational thoughts while Herb “OMK” (on my knees) in Throne Room

1. DO NOT BE INTIMIDATED or dismiss scriptures because you think it is too much

2. “it’s not about me... it’s about me... serving God and others”

John 7:37 (ESV) Whoever believes in me, as the Scripture has said, ‘Out of his heart will flow rivers of living water.’”

THE GREATEST PRIVILEGE and PLEASURE is being pipelines of His Presence

3. “His Story” is a huge story of epic proportions that goes beyond earth and humanity – it is THE Story of all. Thus, it is essential that we remind ourselves over and over WE. CANNOT. PUT. GOD. IN. A. BOX.

4. Our current depth of understanding and experiencing God is the fruit of the past decade of God’s work

5. **“Keep up!”**

Where we’ve been... where we’re going

► Everything is about “His-Story” leading to Messiah

► “His-Story” is as much about Unseen HR as Seen ER

2 Corinthians 4:16–18 (ESV) ¹⁶So we do not lose heart. Though our outer self is wasting away, our inner self is being renewed day by day. ¹⁷For this light momentary affliction is preparing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison, ¹⁸as we look not to the things that are seen but to the things that are unseen. For the things that are seen are transient, but the things that are unseen are eternal.

2 Corinthian 5:6–7 (ESV) ⁶So we are always of good courage. We know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord, ⁷for we walk by faith, not by sight.

► “In the beginning” creation

► Divine Council in Job

Hebrews 13:2 Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for thereby some have entertained angels unawares.

Hebrews 1:13–14 (ESV) ¹³And to which of the angels has he ever said, “Sit at my right hand until I make your enemies a footstool for your feet”? ¹⁴Are they not all ministering spirits sent out to serve for the sake of those who are to inherit salvation?

Matthew 18:10 (ESV) “See that you do not despise one of these little ones. For I tell you that in heaven their angels always see the face of my Father who is in heaven.

► 3 Rebellions – supernatural and human beings

► Delegation of supernatural oversight of nations of earth

Deuteronomy 32:8–9 (ESV) ⁸When the Most High gave to the nations their inheritance, when he divided mankind, he fixed the borders of the peoples according to the number of the sons of God. ⁹But the Lord’s portion is his people, Jacob his allotted heritage.

Psalm 82:1–7 (ESV) ¹God has taken his place in the divine council; in the midst of the gods he holds judgment:
²“How long will you judge unjustly and show partiality to the wicked? ³Give justice to the weak and the fatherless; maintain the right of the afflicted and the destitute. ⁴Rescue the weak and the needy; deliver them from the hand of the wicked.”⁵They have neither knowledge nor understanding, they walk about in darkness; all the foundations of the earth are shaken. ⁶I said, “You are gods, sons of the Most High, all of you; ⁷nevertheless, like men you shall die, and fall like any prince.”

Ephesians 6:12 (ESV) ¹²For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places.

► God creates a new people/nation for Himself

Deuteronomy 32:9 (ESV) ⁹But the Lord’s portion is his people, Jacob his allotted heritage.

❖ *The hero, the subject, the purpose are all God not Abraham*

❖ *God shoulders responsibility... Just keep saying “YES!”*

❖ *Scripture is descriptive not prescriptive; reporting what happened not what should happen.*

Week's Scriptures, Genesis 12-29

NOTE the instances when people got tired of waiting or wanted to change God’s plan, so they tried to use shortcuts but God worked His plan anyway...

Genesis 12 – 23, **Abraham’s assignment** – relationship and partnership with God

Scan the chapters – what insights and questions do you have?

Genesis 24 – 29, **Isaac’s assignment** – relationship and partnership with God

Scan the chapters – what insights and questions do you have?

Chronological Guide: pages 7- 10

Takeaways: