

House On The Rock Life Group Study outline

May: Practical Dominion

Week 1 – Be Fruitful and Multiply

Introduction

In the beginning God created man in His own image and gave the dominion mandate to both male and female “man”. We find this in the first book of the bible, in the first chapter and the first passage where man is mentioned. This tells us the foundational nature of dominion as a principle for man to fully express the image of God. Because the call to dominion is a divine principle, it still applies today. But what does dominion mean - what did it mean then, and what does it mean for us now? The bible specifies four steps that must precede dominion; fruitfulness, multiplication, filling the earth and subduing it. In this study series, we will be exploring the process of achieving dominion, starting with fruitfulness and multiplication.

Pilot text

Gen 1:28 Then God blessed them, and God said to them, “Be fruitful and multiply; fill the earth and subdue it; have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over every living thing that moves on the earth.”.

- What is Fruitfulness? [Open discussion]
- What are the differences between fruitfulness and multiplication?
 - [2 Pet 1:5-8](#), [Matt 14:13-21](#), [Matt 15:32-39](#), [Ezk 36:30](#).
- What does it mean for us to be fruitful and multiply today?
 - [Psa 127:3](#), [Jer 6:19](#), [Psa 128:2](#), [Prov 18:20-21](#), [Isa 57:19](#), [Heb 13:15](#), [Gal 5:22-23](#)
 - [Acts 6:1,7](#); [Acts 12:24](#), [1 Pet 1:2](#), [2 Pet 1:2](#), [Jude 1:2](#).
- Take home actions
 - Consider areas of your life in which you are not being fruitful. What needs to change?

Note:

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