

Discussion Guide for "Avatar" *Top 10: Movies* Week 7

AVATAR reinforces the idea that our bodies are disposable, temporary and accessory to who we really are. But the Scriptures say otherwise. What is the Biblical vision for our bodies, and how is that good news?

Scriptures for Further Reading

<u>Genesis 2:5-25</u> <u>Romans 12:1-2</u> <u>1 Corinthians 6:12-20</u> <u>1 Corinthians 15:35-43</u> <u>Revelation 21:1-22:6</u>

Questions for Discussion

- 1. In your experience, do more people love or loathe their bodies? Why do you think that is?
- 2. Is your vision of Heaven one of disembodied spirits or bodies living on earth? Which do you prefer? Why?
- 3. What does it mean to say that God cares about our bodies? How is this tied to the creation story in Genesis 2 *and* John's vision of the End of Time in Revelation 21-22?
- 4. If our bodies make us who we are, how can we understand those whose bodies are different from our own (race, gender, etc.)? Why is that important?
- 5. How do fasting and feasting help us learn to care for our bodies the way God does? Which do you need to do this week?