From the Beginning: "Let There Be Light!" Genesis 1:1-5; 14-19 April 23, 2023

"Find satisfaction in Him who made you, and only then find satisfaction in yourself as part of His creation." Augustine – Early Church Father

I. God created everything good. (vs 1-5)

Psalm 33:6; John 1:1-3; Isaiah 44:6; Revelation 4:11

II. God created everything by <u>design</u>. (vs 14-19)

- 1. Forming
- 2. <u>Filling</u>

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Isaiah 44:6; Revelation 21:3

III. God created everything for a <u>purpose</u>. (Hebrews 11:3)

- 1. Creation out of nothing.
- 2. Created through and for the Lord Jesus.

Colossians 1:15-17; Romans 1:19-21

DIGGING DEEPER:

Do some research on the scientific "problems" created by Genesis 1. Are there logical solutions? Can we use scientific defenses of Genesis 1–11 in our witness for Christ?
God is one, yet three. How would you explain and defend this biblically for a friend? What Scripture passages would you use?

3. Do a study of marriage in the Bible. What are some of the reasons given for God's creation of it? Which do you think is most important?

4. Everyone has a worldview (a mental framework that answers questions such as: Where did I come from? What am I doing here? Is there a God? What are my responsibilities to him? How should mankind live?). What are some of the significant ways in which Genesis 1–2 shapes a Christian worldview?