

# Genesis 1: Introduction

- **Genesis: Hebrew**= Bereshith = in the beginning
- **Genesis: Greek** = Geneseos [Genealogy, History of Origin, or Birth depending on context]
- **Beginnings:** Creation, Sin, Judgment, Languages, Races, Marriage
- **Author:** Moses in the wilderness about 1500 BC
- **Foundation** for understanding rest of Bible, especially Revelation
- **Chapters 1-11:** A prologue to the rest of Genesis and the Bible
- **Four Key Concepts**
  1. One God as Creator and Friend
  2. Man's Rebellion, Inherited sin and the Plan of Salvation
  3. God as Judge
  4. Sin continues after Judgment
- **Chapters 12-50:** Abrahams world; new languages...new gods
  1. Abram an Sarai's call to become a new nation
  2. ***Irruption*** into Abrams life (Breaking into from without)
  3. **Everlasting Promise:** All nations will be blessed (seed)
- **10 Sections of Accounts**
  1. Heavens and Earth 2:4
  2. Adams line 5:1
  3. Noah 6:9
  4. Shem, Ham and Japheth 10:1
  5. Shem 11:10
  6. Terah 11:27
  7. Ishmael 25:12
  8. Isaac 25:19
  9. Esau 36:1
  10. Jacob 37:2
- More than ½ of Hebrews 11 Heroes of Faith are in Genesis
- Oldest definition of Faith: Genesis 15:6 [Abe believed]

## **Genesis/Revelation Relation**

- In Genesis the earth was created; in Revelation the earth passes away.
- In Genesis was Satan's first rebellion; in Revelation is Satan's last rebellion.
- In Genesis the sun, moon, and stars were for earth's government; in Revelation these same heavenly bodies are for earth's judgment.
- In Genesis the sun was to govern the day; in Revelation there is no need of the sun.
- In Genesis darkness was called night; in Revelation there is "no night there" (see Rev. 21:25; 22:5).
- In Genesis the waters were called seas; in Revelation there is no more sea.
- In Genesis was the entrance of sin; in Revelation is the exodus of sin.
- In Genesis the curse was pronounced; in Revelation the curse is removed.
- In Genesis death entered; in Revelation there is no more death.
- In Genesis was the beginning of sorrow and suffering; in Revelation there will be no more sorrow and no more tears.
- In Genesis was the marriage of the first Adam; in Revelation is the marriage of the Last Adam.
- In Genesis we saw man's city, Babylon, being built; in Revelation we see man's city, Babylon, destroyed and God's city, the New Jerusalem, brought into view.

- In Genesis Satan's doom was pronounced; in Revelation Satan's doom is executed.

## Genesis 1: Creation

Remember to lift Up the lord Jesus Christ

*...since the creation of the world His invisible attributes, His eternal power and divine nature, have been clearly seen, being understood through what has been made, so that they are without excuse. [Romans 1:20]*

- **Old Testament:** New Testament Concealed
- **New Testament:** Old Testament Revealed
- **Emmaus: Everything is about Jesus [His-story]**

**Luke 24:27** Then **beginning with Moses** and with all the prophets, He explained to them the things concerning Himself in **all the Scriptures**.

**1 In the beginning God created** the heavens and the earth.

- **No apologies;** God says what He means; means what He says; There is One God; He is the Creator of All
- Created [Hebrew: Bara'] To create out of nothing

**ROMANS 4:17** [God] ...calls into being that which does not exist.

- Question of age:

**John 2:8** [Read] And He said to them, "Draw some out now and take it to the headwaiter." So they took it to him. <sup>9</sup>When the headwaiter tasted the water which had become wine, and did not know where it came from (but the servants who had drawn the water knew), the headwaiter called the bridegroom, <sup>10</sup>and said to him, "Every man serves the good wine first, and when the people have drunk freely, then he serves the poorer wine; but you have kept the good wine until now."

- Triune Creator:
- **God the Father is** Creator

**Genesis 1:12** In the beginning God created

**Psalm 33:6** By the **word of the LORD the heavens were made**, And by the breath of His mouth all their host.

- **God the Son** is Creator

**John 1:1** [Read] In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. 2 He was in the beginning with God. 3 All things came into being through Him, and **apart from Him nothing came into being** that has come into being.

**Colossians 1:16** For by Him **all things were created**, both in the heavens and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities--all things have been created through Him and for Him.

- Apprehended, not comprehended
- How critical is it that we believe Jesus is God; the I AM

**John 8:24** "Therefore I said to you that you will die in your sins; for **unless you believe that I am He, you will die in your sins.**"

- **God the Holy Spirit** also is involved in creation...

2The earth was formless and void, and darkness was over the surface of the deep, and the **Spirit of God was moving** over the surface of the waters.

- Third person of the triune God, the Holy Spirit, co-equal, co-eternal with the Father and the Son (Acts 5; lied to Spirit/God)
- **Moving:** Vital and alive; we follow the Spirit; not visa/versa
- **Over the deep:** Earth covered w/ water

## THE FIRST DAY [Days 1-3: Separating and Gathering]

3Then God said, "**Let there be light**"; and there was light. 4 God saw that the **light was good**;

- Light introduced into *creation*; but has always existed:

**1 Timothy 6:16** who alone possesses immortality and dwells in **unapproachable light**, whom no man has seen or can see To Him be honor and eternal dominion! Amen.

**1 John 1:5** This is the message we have heard from Him and announce to you, that **God is Light**, and in Him there is no darkness at all.

- **Outer darkness** now flooded with Light...**and it was Good!**
- **God was His own Work light:** Making work visible and Life possible
- **Shekinah** Glory, seen in the Transfiguration and:

**Revelation 21:23** And the city has no need of the sun or of the moon to shine on it, for the glory of God has illumined it, and its lamp is the Lamb. [Post curse]

- Jesus invades, interrupts and overcomes the darkness of this world and our

personal darkness...sin

**John 1:4** In Him was life, and the life was the Light of men. 5 The Light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not comprehend it.

**2 Corinthians 4: 6** For God, who said, "Light shall shine out of darkness," is the One who has shone in our hearts to give the Light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Christ.

- My story of light (Ezekial 38,39)

4b...and God separated the light from the darkness. 5 God called the light day, and the darkness He called night And there was evening and there was morning, one day.

- God continues to Separate Light/Darkness: **Holiness**

**Matthew 10:34**" Do not think that I came to bring peace on the earth; I did not come to bring peace, **but a sword**. 35"For I came to SET A MAN AGAINST HIS FATHER, AND A DAUGHTER AGAINST HER MOTHER, AND A DAUGHTER-IN-LAW AGAINST HER MOTHER-IN-LAW;

- **One day**; evening and morning (Jewish day). Period.

### THE SECOND DAY of Separating and Gathering

6Then God said, "Let there be an expanse in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the **waters from the waters**." 7God made the expanse, and separated the waters which were below the expanse from the waters which were above the expanse; and it was so. 8God called the expanse heaven. And there was evening and there was morning, a **second day**.

- Water from waters: Canopy to stop u/v rays; aging?
- 3 Heavens: **Air** [sky NIV], **Space**, **God's abode** (Paul caught up)
- We assume... it was good!

### THE THIRD DAY of Separating and Gathering

9Then God said, "Let the waters below the heavens be gathered into one place, and let the dry land appear"; and it was so. 10God called the dry land earth, and the gathering of the waters He called seas; and God saw that it was good. 11Then God said, "Let the earth sprout vegetation, plants yielding seed, and fruit trees on the earth bearing fruit **after their kind** with seed in them"; and it was so. 12The earth brought forth vegetation, plants yielding seed after their kind, and trees bearing fruit with seed in them, after their kind; and **God saw that it was good**. 13There was evening and there was morning, a

### third day.

- Land, Sea and Vegetation
- **Third day:** Picture of the Resurrection

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- After there own kind...anticipating evolution
- **It was good!**

### THE FOURTH DAY [Days 4-6: Making and Filling]

14Then God said, "Let there be lights in the expanse of the heavens to separate the day from the night, and let them be for **signs and for seasons and for days and years**; 15and let them be for lights in the expanse of the heavens to give light on the earth"; and it was so. 16God made the two great lights, the greater light to govern the day, and the lesser light to govern the night; He made the stars also. 17 God placed them in the expanse of the heavens to give light on the earth, 18 and to govern the day and the night, and to separate the light from the darkness; and God **saw that it was good**. 19There was evening and there was morning, a fourth day.

- Sun, moon and stars: For Signs, Seasons, Days and Years, and to give light
- Jesus: Sun as we are the moon...both the Light of the World

**John 8:12** Then Jesus again spoke to them, saying, " I am the Light of the world; he who follows Me will not walk in the darkness, but will have the Light of life."

**Matthew 5:14** "You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden;

- We can be Stars:

**Philippians 2:14** [Read] Do all things without grumbling or disputing; 15so that you will prove yourselves to be blameless and innocent, children of God above reproach in the midst of a crooked and perverse generation, among whom you appear as **lights in the world**, 16holding fast the word of life

**Daniel 12:3** [Read] "Those who have insight will shine brightly like the brightness of the expanse of heaven, and those who lead the many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever.

- Want to shine? *Don't* complain...*do* lead people to Christ
- Lights in the heavens...**it was good**

### THE FIFTH DAY of Making and Filling

20Then God said, "Let the waters teem with swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth in the open expanse of the heavens." 21God created the great sea monsters and every living creature that moves, with which the waters swarmed after their kind, and every winged bird after its kind; and God saw that **it was good**. 22God blessed them, saying, "Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth." 23There was evening and there was morning, a **fifth day**.

- Air and Water creatures
- "God blessed them saying...be fruitful..."?
- God's control of Creation: Jonah, Jesus coin in fish, Elijah's raven:

**1 Kings 17:4** "It shall be that you will drink of the brook, and **I have commanded the ravens to provide for you there.**"

- Own kind...again
- **It was good**

### THE SIXTH DAY of Making and Filling

24 Then God said, "Let the earth bring forth living creatures after their kind: cattle and creeping things and beasts of the earth after their kind"; and it was so. 25God made the beasts of the earth after their kind, and the cattle after their kind, and everything that creeps on the ground after its kind; and God saw that **it was good**.

- Earth Creatures after their own kind...
- **It was good**

26Then God said, "Let **Us make man in Our image**, according to Our likeness; and let them rule over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the sky and over the cattle and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth." 27 *God created man in His own image, in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them.*

- **Us/Our:** Trinity
- Rule over the earth and its creatures
- God's image: Male and Female
- V.27 is the first occurrence of poetry, Genesis is 40% poetry

28God blessed them; and God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth, and subdue it; and rule over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the sky and over every living thing that moves on the earth." 29Then God said, "Behold, **I have given you** every plant

yielding seed that is on the surface of all the earth, and every tree which has fruit yielding seed; it shall be food for you; 30 and to every beast of the earth and to every bird of the sky and to every thing that moves on the earth which has life, I have given every green plant for food"; and it was so. 31God saw all that He had made, and behold, **it was very good**. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

- **Vegetarians:** People and animals
- All that He had made: Very Good
- "I have given you..." Title Deed to earth
- Trouble in Paradise

## **SUMMARY: A World Without Excuse**

- Today, Hatred of Light and the Goodness of God is manifested in Myths and the Conscience Suppression of Truth

**Romans 1:18** [Read] For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men who suppress the truth in unrighteousness, 19 because that which is known about God is evident within them; **for God made it evident to them. 20For since the creation of the world His invisible attributes, His eternal power and divine nature, have been clearly seen, being understood through what has been made, so that they are without excuse.** 21For even though they knew God, they did not honor Him as God or give thanks, but they became futile in their speculations, and their foolish heart was darkened. 22 Professing to be wise, they became fools, 23 and exchanged the glory of the incorruptible God for an image in the form of corruptible man and of birds and four-footed animals and crawling creatures. 24Therefore God gave them over in the lusts of their hearts to impurity, so that their bodies would be dishonored among them. 25For they exchanged the truth of God for a lie, and worshiped and served the creature rather than the Creator, who is blessed forever. Amen.

- 3 Historical Benchmarks: Darkness to Light i.e. Death to Life
  1. Creation
  2. Red Sea
  3. Resurrection of Jesus Christ

**John 3:19** [Read] "This is the judgment, that the Light has come into the world, and men loved the darkness rather than the Light, for their deeds were evil. 20" For everyone who does evil hates the Light, and does not come to the Light for fear that his deeds will be exposed. 21"But he who practices the truth comes to the Light, so that his deeds may be manifested as having been wrought in God."

**Psalms 1:1** The heavens are telling of the glory of God; And their expanse is declaring the work of His hands.



# Make use of Creation to tell of our Amazing God and His plan of Salvation

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## Addendum Added:

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- **At Least 14 Beginnings/Origins:** Dr. Henry M Morris:
  1. **Origin of the Universe:** Genesis alone accounts for the space-mass-time continuum; i.e. physical universe. "Every other ancient myth or modern scientific model starts with "eternal" matter or energy"? Genesis uniquely describes "special creation"
  2. **Origin of Order and Complexity:** 2nd Law of Thermo Dynamics: Order to Chaos; Creation was good and orderly
  3. **Origin of the Solar System:** Science unsuccessful in theories regarding the origin of the universe
  4. **Origin of the Atmosphere and Hydrosphere** [Air/Water systems]: Earth is unique with regard to great bodies of liquid water and oxygen-nitrogen air we breath. "These have never developed on other planets; i.e. Special Creation
  5. **Origin of Life:** Living beings coming into being from non-living chemicals is a myth
  6. **Origin of Man:** Genesis presents man as God's special unique creation with the capacity to reproduce and with a nature to contemplate abstract entities of beauty , love and the desire to worship.
  7. **Origin of Marriage:** Genesis presents Monogamous Marriage, Home life,Patriarchal social culture [individual roles as Husbands, Wives, Children] and it was GOOD! Sin enters: Polygamy, infanticide, matriarchy, promiscuity, divorce, abortion, homosexuality, and other corruptions
  8. **Origin of Evil:** Explained by a "temporary intrusion into God's perfect world allowed by Him as a concession to the principle of human freedom and responsibility, and also to manifest Himself as Redeemer as well as Creator"
  9. **Origin of Language:** Explained by the unbridgeable gap between the unintelligible chattering of animals and the "intelligent, abstract, symbolic communication systems of man. Gap is unbridgeable by any theory.
  10. **Origin of Government:** Man responsible for his own actions and for maintenance of orderly social structures through systems of laws and punishment.

11. **Origin of Culture:** Urbanization, Metallurgy, Music, Agriculture, Writing, Education, Navigation, etc. are described and presented in Genesis.
12. **Origin of Nations:** The essential unity of the human race is accepted by most modern scholars. Only Genesis describes the question of different languages and races around the world
13. **Origin of Religion:** Origin of True Worship is described in Genesis as well as the choice to worship idols
14. **Origin of a Chosen People:** Israelites; set apart for God's purpose

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  1. Creation
  2. Fall
  3. Flood
  4. Dispersion: Tower of Babel
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- **9 Sections of Accounts in the Book of Genesis**
  1. **Account of Heavens and Earth** 2:4: Initial 6 days of Creation. Written by God Himself and then given to Adam or given by revelation to Adam who recorded the revealed account
  2. **Account of Adams line** 5:1: Garden of Eden, Temptation, Fall. Recorded by Adam. Recorded as "the book of the generations of Adam" makes clear it was written down. [c.f. Matthew 1:1; "The book of the generation of Jesus Christ"]
  3. **Account of Noah** 6:9: Flood. Noah compiled these antediluvian [pre-flood] records. Noah's father Lamech lived at the contemporaneously with all the patriarchs including Adam. Noah recorded this history and finished by recording the rapid degeneration of mankind before the flood.
  4. **Account of Shem, Ham and Japheth** 10:1: Shem, Ham, Japheth continued recording preparations for the flood and immediate

postdiluvian including prophesies concerning themselves.

5. **Account of Shem** 11:10: Noah's 3 sons separated after dispersion? Shem became record keeper after Noah's death writing about Babel and the Table of Nations in Chapter 10. Lost track of brothers Ham and Japheth and live 500 years after the flood.
  6. **Account of Terah** 11:27: Semitic Genealogies for Shem to Terah and his 3 sons. This genealogical record gives us the chronology from the flood to Abraham.
  7. **Account of Isaac** 11:27b-25:19: From the call of Abram to his Death as Abraham. An appendage to this record which was recorded by Isaac seems to be "generations of Ismael" the record of his half-brother and his sons. Isaac must have attained the at the death of Abraham
  8. **Account of Jacob** 25:19b-37:2: Later events of his father Jacob and his own story with Laban, return to Caanan, and records of the death of Rachel and father Isaac. Included is an appendage including 2 documents from his brother Esau [Gen 36]
  9. **Account of Generations** of the Sons of Jacob 37:2b-Exodus 1: Events of Joseph and his brothers could only have been known to them and were transmitted to Moses orally or in written documents.
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**Adam.**

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## THE FIRST DAY of Separating and Gathering

3 Then God said, "**Let there be light**"; and there was light. 4 God saw that the **light was good**;

- God introduces Light into and onto a formless void and dark world making His Work Visible and Life Possible...**and it was Good!**

4b...and God **separated the light from the darkness**. 5 God called the light day, and the darkness He called night And there was evening and there was morning, one day.

- **Evening and Morning: One day**; (Jewish day). Period.
- God continues to Separate the Light/Darkness:

**Luke 2:34** Then Simeon blessed them, and said to Mary His mother, "Behold, this Child is destined for the fall and rising of many in Israel, and for a sign which will be spoken against 35 (yes, a sword will pierce through your own soul also), **that the thoughts of many hearts may be revealed.**"

**Matthew 10:34**" Do not think that I came to bring peace on the earth; I did not come to bring peace, **but a sword**. 35"For I came to SET A MAN AGAINST HIS FATHER, AND A DAUGHTER AGAINST HER MOTHER, AND A DAUGHTER-IN-LAW AGAINST HER MOTHER-IN-LAW

- **Our own Choice:** Free-will to love God/Light/Good

**Ruth 1:14** ...Orpah kissed [Naomi goodbye], but Ruth clung to her. 15 Then [Naomi] said, "Behold, your sister-in-law has gone back to her people and her gods; return after your sister-in-law." 16 But Ruth said, "Do not urge me to leave you or turn back from following you; for where you go, I will go, and where you lodge, I will lodge. Your people shall be my people, and **your God, my God**

**Joshua 24:15** If it is disagreeable in your sight to serve the LORD, choose for yourselves today whom you will serve: whether the gods which your fathers served which were beyond the River, or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you are living; but **as for me and my house, we will serve the LORD.**"

**Exodus 32:25** [After Moses saw the gold calf] ...when Moses saw that the people were out of control—for Aaron had let them get out of control to be a derision

[mockery/shame] among their enemies— 26 then Moses stood in the gate of the camp, and said, "**Whoever is for the LORD, come to me!**" And all the sons of Levi gathered together to him. 27 He said to them, "Thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, 'Every man of you put his **sword upon his thigh**, and go back and forth from gate to gate in the camp, and kill every man his brother, and every man his friend, and every man his neighbor.'"

- Too late to choose the God/Light/Good

**Revelation 22:11** Let the one who does wrong, still do wrong; and the one who is filthy, still be filthy; and let the one who is righteous, still practice righteousness; and the one who is holy, still keep himself holy."

**Revelation 3:15** 'I know your deeds, that you are neither cold nor hot; I wish that you were cold or hot. 16 So because you are lukewarm, and neither hot nor cold, I will spit you out of My mouth.

**Matthew 13:49** ...it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come forth, [and] separate the wicked from among the just

**Matthew 22:12** ...and he said to him, 'Friend, how did you come in here without wedding clothes?' And the man was speechless. 13 Then the king said to the servants, 'Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness; in that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'

- **Evening and Morning; One Day**
- **First Day of Creation:** Light Shines in the darkness! **It was Good**

## THE SECOND DAY of Separating and Gathering

6Then God said, "Let there be an expanse in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the **waters from the waters.**" 7God made the expanse, and separated the waters which were below the expanse from the waters which were above the expanse; and it was so. 8God called the expanse heaven. And there was evening and there was morning, a **second day.**

- **Water from waters:** Canopy to stop u/v rays; aging?
- Called the expanse Heaven:
- 3 Heavens: 1)**Air** sky, 2)**Space**, 3)**God's abode** (Paul caught up)
- Second Day: We assume... it was good!

## THE THIRD DAY ...Last day of Separating and Gathering

9Then God said, "Let the waters below the heavens be gathered into one place, and let the dry land appear"; and it was so. 10God called the dry land earth, and the gathering of the waters He called seas; and

God saw that it was good. 11Then God said, "Let the earth sprout vegetation, plants yielding seed, and fruit trees on the earth bearing fruit **after their kind** with seed in them"; and it was so. 12The earth brought forth vegetation, plants yielding seed after their kind, and trees bearing fruit with seed in them, after their kind; and **God saw that it was good.** 13There was evening and there was morning, a **third day.**

- Water disperses revealing Dry Land
- Earth spouts vegetation, plants yielding seed and fruit trees bearing fruit after their own kind with seed in the fruit!
- **First Life is on the Third day:** Picture of the Resurrection: **Death to Life**

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- **Plants/Trees yielding seed "After their own kind"** Word of God anticipating the Theory of evolution as God anticipates every future heresy in His Word:

**Colossians 2:8** Beware lest anyone **cheat you through philosophy** and empty deceit, according to the tradition of men, according to the basic principles of the world, and not according to Christ.

- **Third Day: It was good!**

## THE FOURTH DAY [Days 4-6: Making and Filling]

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- **Lights in the expanse:**
  1. For Signs: Gospel in the stars
  2. Seasons, Days and Years
  3. Give light on earth

- **Two Great Lights:** Sun and Moon to Separate Light from Darkness
- **Jesus:** Sun as we are the moon...both the Light of the World

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- **3 Ways we can be Stars:** Don't complain, acquire godly insight and lead people to Jesus

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2. ...acquire *Godly* Insight
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- "Let there be lights in the heavens"...**it was good**

#### **Light and the question of Age**

- Light Year: Distance that light travels in a year traveling at 186,000 miles per second
- 1 Light Years is about 6 Trillion Miles; i.e. how far light travels in 1 year
- Distance to the Sun is 93 million miles
- Distance to the nearest star is about 4.3 light years; i.e. 4.3 LY multiplied by 6 Trillion Miles
- Distance to the Andromeda Galaxy is 2 Million LY or 2 Million LY multiplied by 6 Trillion Miles
- So...when we see a star 100 light years away we are seeing the light from that star that left it 100 years ago
- So...how did God make the stars to shine on the earth immediately?

1. He is God...without "in the beginning" your done
2. Light is not constant but slowing down; may have been immediate at creation
3. Appearance of age is shown in Adam and Eve, Trees, and...

**John 2:1** ...the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there; 2 and both Jesus and His disciples were invited to the wedding. 3When the wine ran out, the mother of Jesus \*said to Him, "They have no wine." 4 And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what does that have to do with us? My hour has not yet come." 5 His mother \*said to the servants, "Whatever He says to you, do it." 6 Now there were **six stone water pots** set there for the Jewish custom of

purification, containing twenty or thirty gallons each. 7 Jesus \*said to them, "**Fill the water pots with water.**" So they filled them up to the brim. 8 And He \*said to them, "Draw some out now and take it to the headwaiter." So they took it to him. 9 When the headwaiter tasted the water **which had become wine**, and did not know where it came from (but the servants who had drawn the water knew), the headwaiter \*called the bridegroom, 10 and \*said to him, "Every man serves the good wine first, and when the people have drunk freely, then he serves the poorer wine; but you have kept the good wine until now." 11 This beginning of His signs Jesus did in Cana of Galilee, **and manifested His glory**, and His disciples believed in Him.

- **Fermented Wine:** Using His creative powers Jesus manifested His glory by turning water into miraculously fermented [aged] wine
- **Forth Day:** It was Good!

## THE FIFTH DAY of Making and Filling

20 Then God said, "Let the waters teem with swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth in the open expanse of the heavens." 21 God created the great sea monsters and every living creature that moves, with which the waters swarmed after their kind, and every winged bird after its kind; and God saw that **it was good**. 22 God blessed them, saying, "Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth." 23 There was evening and there was morning, a **fifth day**.

- Air and Water creatures; "God blessed and SAID TO THEM saying...be fruitful..."?
- God's control of Creation: Jesus control over wind and waves, Jonah's fish, Jesus coin in fish, Elijah's raven:

**1 Kings 17:4** "It shall be that you will drink of the brook, and **I have commanded the ravens to provide for you there.**"

- Own kind...again
- **Fifth Day: It was good**

## THE SIXTH DAY of Making and Filling

24 Then God said, "Let the earth bring forth living creatures after their kind: cattle and creeping things and beasts of the earth after their kind"; and it was so. 25 God made the beasts of the earth after their kind, and the cattle after their kind, and everything that creeps on the ground after its kind; and God saw that **it was good**.

- Earth Creatures after their own kind...



26 Then God said, "Let **Us make man in Our image**, according to Our likeness; and let them rule over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the sky and over the cattle and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth." 27 *God created man in His own image, in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them.*

- V.27 is the first occurrence of poetry, Genesis is 40% poetry
- **6<sup>th</sup> Day:** Number of Man:

**Revelation 13:18** Here is wisdom. Let him who has understanding calculate the number of the beast, for the number is that of a man; and his number is six hundred and sixty-six.

- **Anticipation of the Fall:** Number 6 falling short of 7; i.e. complete, whole, perfect

**Romans 3:23** for all have sinned and **fall short** of the glory of God, <sup>24</sup> being justified as a gift by His grace through the redemption which is in Christ Jesus...

- **God's Image: 3 in 1**

26 "Let <b>Us</b> make man in <b>Our image</b> [plural]... 27 God created man in <b>His</b> own image [Singular]
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- **Man in God's Image: 2 in 1:** Male and Female together complete God's image

27 God created man in His own image, in the image of God He created him [singular]; male and female He created them [plural]
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- Rule over the earth and it's creatures

28 God **blessed them**; and God said to them, "Be **fruitful and multiply**, and **fill the earth**, and **subdue it**; and rule over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the sky and over every living thing that moves on the earth."

- **God Blessed them:**
  1. "Be fruitful and multiply"
  2. Fill the earth
  3. Subdue [moderate] the Earth
  4. Rule over every living creature

29 Then God said, "Behold, **I have given you** every plant yielding

seed that is on the surface of all the earth, and every tree which has fruit yielding seed; it shall be food for you; 30 and to every beast of the earth and to every bird of the sky and to every thing that moves on the earth which has life, I have given **every green plant for food**"; and it was so. 31 God saw all that He had made, and behold, **it was very good**. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

- Food for man: Every plant which yields seed and every tree which has fruit yielding seed
- Food for animals: EVERY green plant
- All that He had made: Very Good
- "I have given you..." Responsibility/Choice...Title Deed to earth
- Evening/Morning the sixth day; **It was GOOD!**

## **SUMMARY:** Creation World without Excuse

- Today, Hatred of Light and the Goodness of God is manifested in Myths and Theories and manifested in the Conscience Suppression of Truth

**Romans 1:18** [Read] For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men who suppress the truth in unrighteousness, 19 because that which is known about God is evident within them; **for God made it evident to them. 20 For since the creation of the world His invisible attributes, His eternal power and divine nature, have been clearly seen, being understood through what has been made, so that they are without excuse.** 21 For even though they knew God, they did not honor Him as God or give thanks, but they became futile in their speculations, and their foolish heart was darkened. 22 Professing to be wise, they became fools, 23 and exchanged the glory of the incorruptible God for an image in the form of corruptible man and of birds and four-footed animals and crawling creatures. 24 Therefore God gave them over in the lusts of their hearts to impurity, so that their bodies would be dishonored among them. 25 For they exchanged the truth of God for a lie, and worshiped and served the creature rather than the Creator, who is blessed forever. Amen.

**John 3:19** [Read] "This is the judgment, that the Light has come into the world, and men loved the darkness rather than the Light, for their deeds were evil. 20" For everyone who does evil hates the Light, and does not come to the Light for fear that his deeds will be exposed. 21 "But he who practices the truth comes to the Light, so that his deeds may be manifested as having been wrought in God."

The heavens are telling of the glory of God; And their expanse is declaring the work of His hands. [Psalm 1:1]

## **ADDENDUM:**

## Genesis Chapter 2:1-3: Relation Not Religion

Remember to lift Up the lord Jesus Christ

- **Previous: 6 days;** 3 Separating and gathering and 3 Making and Filling

### Genesis 2: 7th Day Rest/Relation not Religion

1Thus the heavens and the earth were **completed**, and all their hosts.  
2By the seventh day God completed His work which He had done, and He rested on the **seventh day** from all His work which He had done.  
3Then God blessed the seventh day and sanctified it, because in it He rested from all His work which God had created and made.

- **Rested:** Hebrew origin of n. **Sabbath** (not mentioned) is substituted for "seventh" in Exodus 20:11

**Exodus 20: 11**"For in six days the LORD made the heavens and the earth, the sea and all that is in them, and rested on the seventh day; therefore the LORD blessed the **Sabbath** [instead of seventh]day and made it holy.

- **Sabbath:** First obligation on way to Sinai and before the law

**Exodus 16:22** Now on the sixth day they gathered twice as much bread [manna], two omers for each one. When all the leaders of the congregation came and told Moses,<sup>23</sup> then he said to them, "This is what the LORD meant: Tomorrow is a sabbath observance, a holy sabbath to the LORD.

- Not a covenantal obligation w/Israel until the Law given on Sinai

**Nehemiah 9: 13** "Then You came down on Mount Sinai, And spoke with them from heaven; You gave them just ordinances and true laws, Good statutes and commandments. <sup>14</sup> "So You made known to them Your holy sabbath, And laid down for them commandments, statutes and law, Through Your servant Moses. [Exodus 20: 10 Commandments]

- God will later continue to use His creative abilities; i.e. withered hand, vision, New Heaven and New Earth
- **"Rested" in this context:** Finished or Ceased what He began
- Jesus give Spiritual rest to man who constantly falls short:

**Matthew 11:28** " Come to Me, all who are weary and heavy-laden, and **I will give you rest.**"Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and YOU WILL FIND **REST FOR YOUR SOULS.**

- **Sabbath Day: Ceremonial Law** looking forward to the **finished work of Salvation**

**John 19:30** Therefore when Jesus had received the sour wine, He said, **"It is finished!"** And He bowed His head and gave up His spirit.

- We are to cease trying to **earn His favor** and/or Salvation

**Hebrews 4:10** For the one who has entered His rest has himself also rested from his works, as God did from His. Therefore let us be **diligent to enter that rest...**

- Don't **"fall from grace"** : Free-fall **from relation to religion**

**Galatians 5:4** You have been severed from Christ, you who are seeking to be justified by law; **you have fallen from grace.**

**Galatians 3:3** Are you so foolish? Having begun by the Spirit, are you now being perfected by the flesh?

- Seventh Day is a picture of the rest found in Christ

**Romans 15:4** For whatever was written in **earlier times was written for our instruction**, so that through perseverance and the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope.

**Colossians 2:16** Therefore no one is to act as your judge in regard to food or drink or in respect to a festival or a new moon or a Sabbath day-- 17things which are a mere **shadow of what is to come; but the substance belongs to Christ.**

**Hebrews 10: 1** The law is only a **shadow of the good things** that are coming—**not the realities themselves.**

**Ceremonial laws melt away** in the light of man's need (i.e. The Good Samaritan, David and the priests on the Sabbath)

- The boys were in the field on the Sabbath shucking wheat (work?)

**Matthew 12:2** [Read]But when the Pharisees saw this, they said to Him, "Look, Your disciples do what is not lawful to do on a Sabbath." 3But He said to them, "Have you not read what David did when he became hungry, he and his companions, 4how he entered the house of God, and they ate the consecrated bread, **which was not lawful** for him to eat nor for those with him, but for the priests alone? 5"Or have you not read in the Law, that on the Sabbath the priests in the temple **break the Sabbath and are innocent?** 6"But I say to you that something greater than the temple is here. 7"But if you had known what this means, **'I DESIRE COMPASSION, AND NOT A SACRIFICE.'** you would not have condemned the innocent.

**Galatians 5:14** For the whole Law is fulfilled in one word, in the statement, **"YOU SHALL LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR AS YOURSELF."**

- **Saturday:** Jews honored the finished work of Creation
- **Sunday:** Christians honor the finished work of Redemption

**Mark 16:2** Very early on the **first day of the week**, they came to the tomb when

the sun had risen.

**Acts: 20:7** On the **first day of the week**, when we were gathered together to break bread, Paul began talking to them, intending to leave the next day, and he prolonged his message until midnight.

**1 Corinthians 16:2** On the **first day of every week** each one of you is to put aside and save, as he may prosper, so that no collections be made when I come.

- **The Sabbath:** Never intended to name a denomination leading to pride as exemplified in:
  1. Legalism
  2. Division
  
- The Sabbath is a picture of the rest fulfilled in Jesus. It was never a day set apart for worship but for rest!
  
- It is a day to gather with believers:

**Hebrews 10: 24** ...and let us consider how to stimulate one another to love and good deeds, not forsaking our own assembling together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another; and all the more as you see the day drawing near.

- We are to “strive to enter” His rest and “stop striving” to earn His favor

**Psalm 46:10** "**Cease striving and know that I am God**; I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth."

- God will help us to rest in Him

**Psalm 23:2** He **makes me lie down** in green pastures; He leads me beside quiet waters. 3He restores my soul;

**Mark 2:27** Jesus said to them, "**The Sabbath was made for man**, and not man for the Sabbath.