

Foundations: Genesis 1-11

“Humanity Defined”

Genesis 2:4-24

Genesis 1 presents creation as a line of ascendancy from the lesser creatures to superior mankind. Chapter 2 presents a topical order of formation of life, giving priority to man’s role as steward of creation. The earth is the stage for human history, and the drama begins with the definition of two genders and the establishment of procreative marriage.

1. Celebrating Humanity (vv.4-18)

- **Created Being (vv.4-7a)**
- **Living Being (v.7b)**
- **Working Being (vv.8-15)**
- **Responsible Being (vv.16, 17)**
- **Social Being (v.18)**

2. Celebrating Marriage (vv.19-25)

- **Divine Intention/Human Comprehension (vv.19, 20)**
- **Divine Creation/Human Recognition (vv.21-23)**
- **Divine Definition/Human Realization (vv.24, 25)**