



Genesis

AN INTRODUCTION

Genesis . . . This pretty much sums it up.

- “Genesis 1-11 addresses key themes such as the creation of the world, the nature of humanity as God's image-bearers, the concept of sin and its consequences, and the promise of redemption through the "seed of the woman." The chapters also touch on the origins of social order, culture, and God's plan to dwell among humanity. The text highlights the contrast between a pagan worldview and a biblical worldview, emphasizing the importance of understanding God's expectations and the concept of redemption. The narrative showcases God's grace towards creation and humanity, despite humanity's tendency towards rebellion.”¹

¹Unabashedly stolen from the mind of Craig Campesi

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AUTHOR?





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CORRECT, IT IS MOSES.

BUT HOW DO WE KNOW?

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- The author is anonymous, yet . . .
- Jewish and Christian tradition attribute the Pentateuch to Moses.
- Moses' life parallels the events of Exodus - Deuteronomy.
- Mosaic, not mosaic.

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TITLE OF THE BOOK:

WHAT DOES IT MEAN?



GENESIS

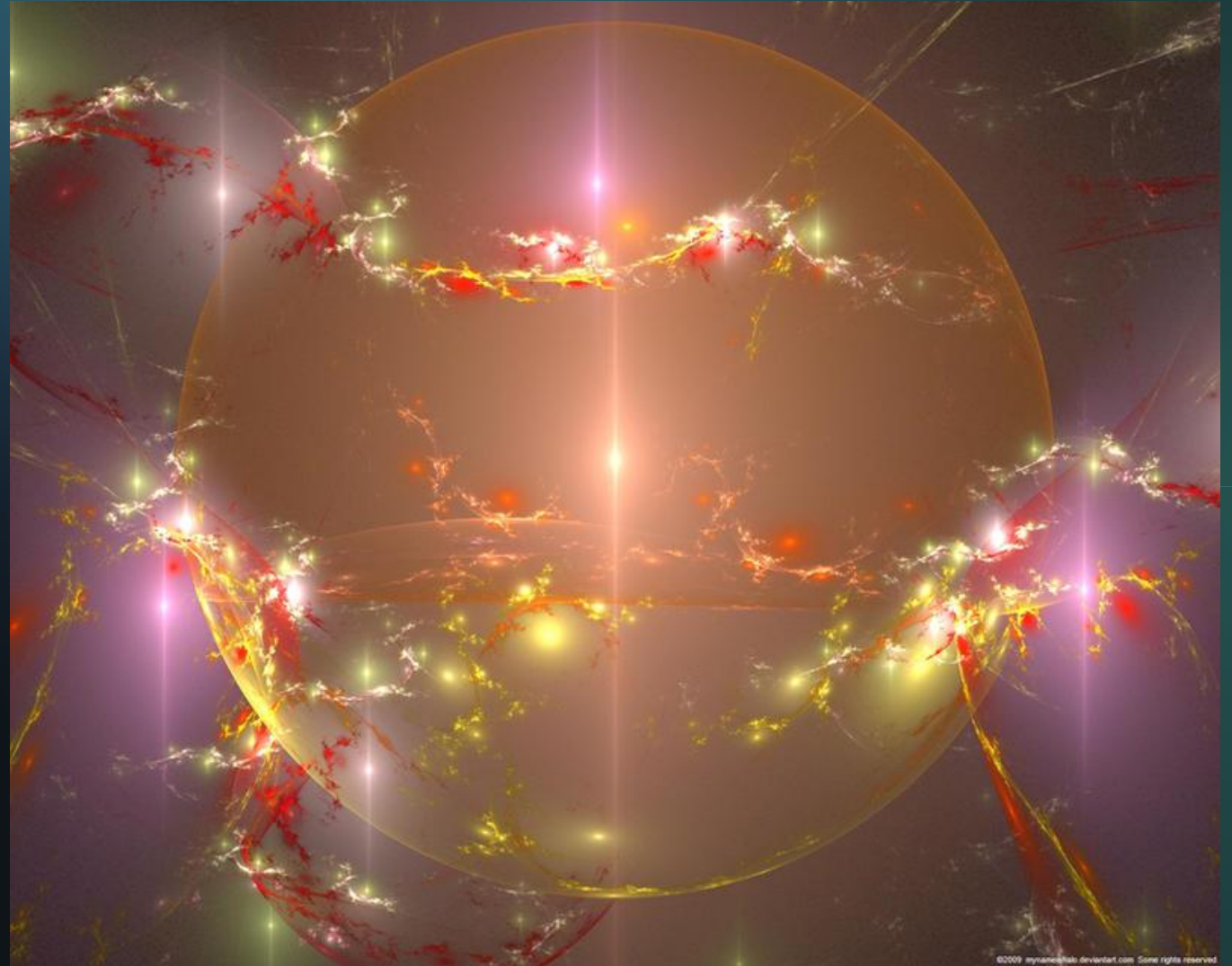
AFTER 1.
Beginning of the world
and the earth.
1. 3. earth was without form, and
darkness was upon the face
of the deep, and the Spirit of God
was hovering over the waters.

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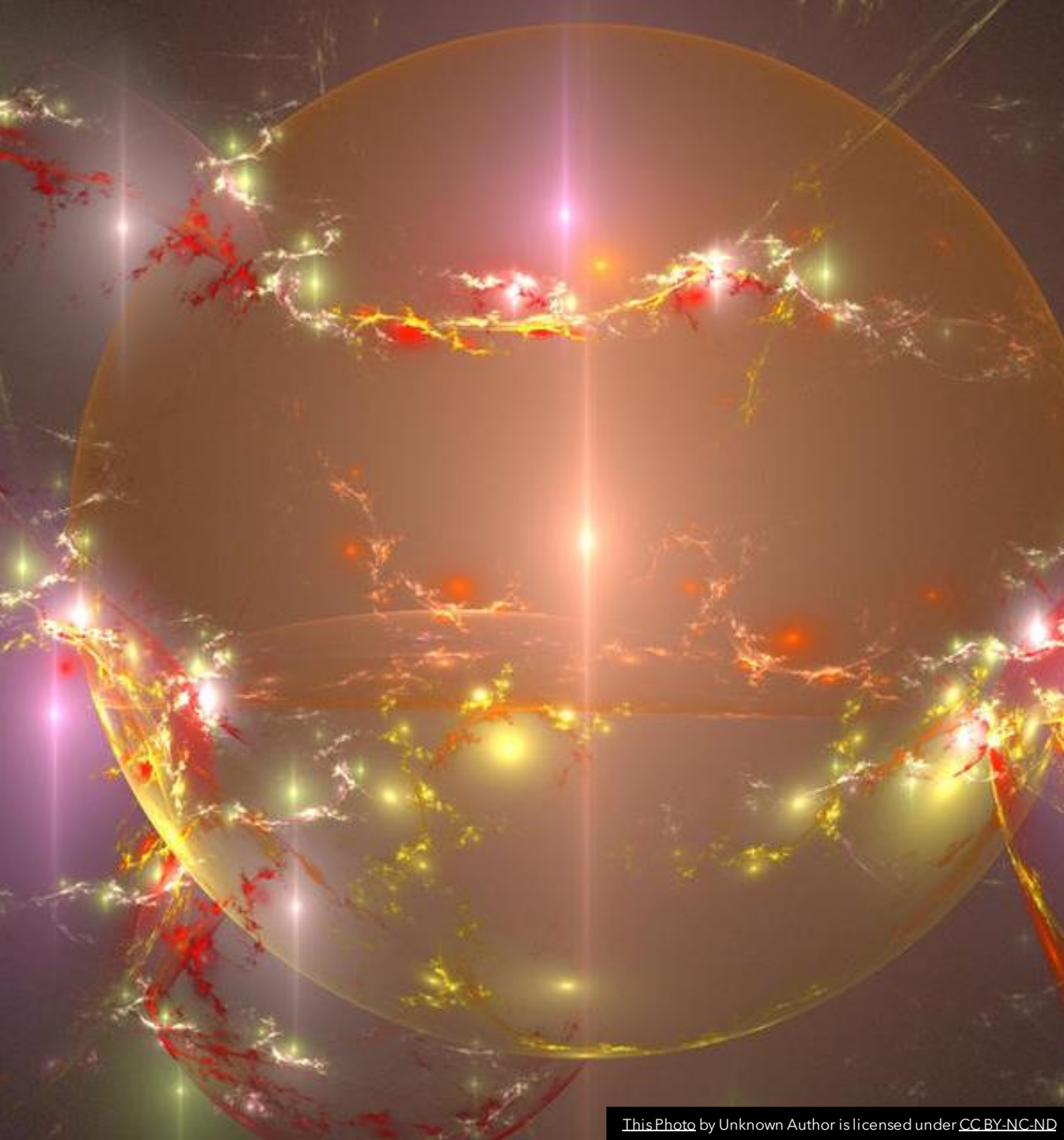
- FROM THE GREEK TRANSLATION OF THE PENTATEUCH MEANING "ORIGIN."
- THE ORIGINAL HEBREW TITLE IS SIMPLY THE FIRST WORD OF THE BOOK: "BERESHITH", MEANING "IN THE BEGINNING."

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KEY TERM:
BEGINNINGS



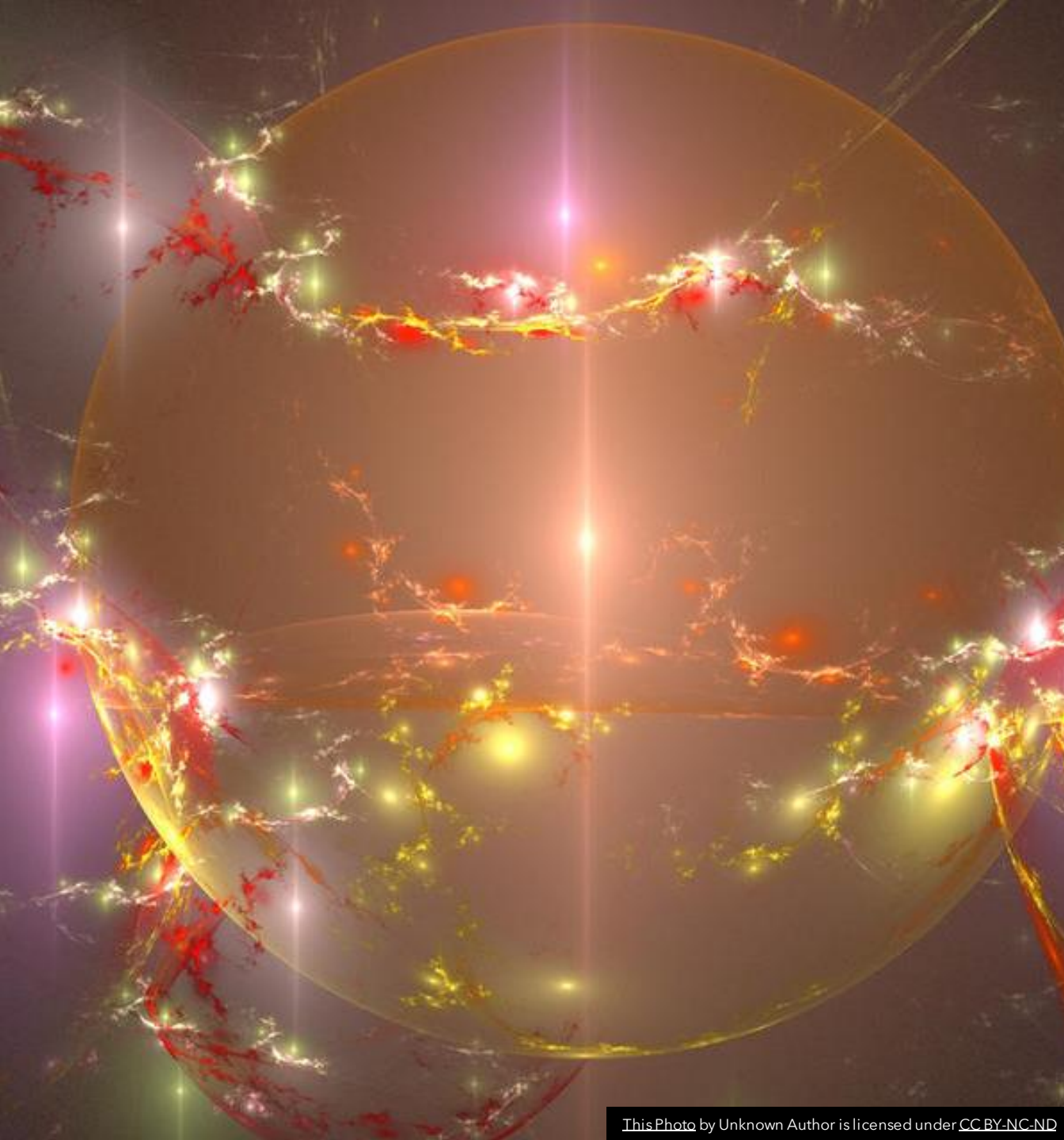
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GENESIS TELLS THE BEGINNINGS OF MANY THINGS:

- CREATION OF THE WORLD
- ORIGIN OF THE HUMAN RACE
- THE RISE OF SIN AND DEATH
- GOD'S GLORIOUS PLAN TO BUILD A KINGDOM OF REDEEMED PEOPLE



Christ in Genesis

CHRIST AS REDEEMER IS FIRST
MENTIONED/PROMISED IN 3:15

“I will put enmity between you and the
woman,

And between your offspring and her offspring;

He shall bruise your head,

And you shall bruise his heel.”

Ref. Hebrews 2:14

Your Word of the Day

PROTOEVANGELIUM

The first
announcement of the
Gospel





Genesis Fun Facts

"BARA" IS THE HEBREW WORD USED TO EXPRESS CREATION. GEN 1:1; 1:21; 1:27

"BARA" IS USED MORE TIMES IN ISAIAH THAN ANY OTHER OT BOOK. ISAIAH 4:5

PSALMS USED "BARA" IN WAYS THAT HIGHLIGHT GOD'S CREATIVE WORK.

PS. 102:18; 51:10



Some observations

The book of Genesis conveys what God wanted to tell us; not everything we want to know.



Some
observations

Genesis may not answer every question. It need not be exhaustive in order for it to be true.



Some observations

“Put simply, the author of Genesis writes to celebrate the fact that God made the world, not to explain the details of how He made it.”

T. Desmond Alexander



Some observations

“The story is of a good world made by a good God and man’s role in that world, the story of how the stain of sin affects everything, the story of how God intends to reverse those effects.”

T. Desmond Alexander

To quote Lon Solomon

SO WHAT?!

With that said

Consider the Richard Godfrey Chambers of your world in the framework of Genesis.