



SIX DAYS

God Said It

Genesis 1:1-2

Introduction: What is your belief about _____ God or Chance?

I. We have the _____ (a Starting Point) – 1:1

"In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth"

The _____ must be our starting point. Why? Because it is God's starting point!

Dr. Henry Morris and others in the creation-apologetics tradition teaches that everything science studies in the natural world falls into the following categories, and all of them appear right here in the opening verse:

1. _____ — "In the beginning"
2. _____ / the Cause — "God"
3. _____ / Energy — "created"
4. _____ — "the heaven(s) and"
5. _____ — "the earth."

Dr. David Jeremiah writes, "Genesis 1:1 is the _____ sentence summarizing the entire chapter." (DJSB)

- Job 38:4 – 4 *"Where were you when I laid the foundations of the earth? Tell Me, if you have understanding."*

- Isaiah 45:18 - 18 For thus says the Lord, Who created the heavens, Who is God, Who formed the earth and made it, Who has established it, Who did not create it in vain, Who formed it to be inhabited: “I am the Lord, and there is no other.
- Hebrews 11:3 - 3 By faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God, so that the things which are seen were not made of things which are visible.

II. We have _____ (Elohim) – 1:1

We are simply told, “God...”

If we want to make sense of life you must _____ with God. NOTHING in this world makes sense outside of God.

The Hebrew word for God is “_____.” It’s the divine name of God stressing His majesty and omnipotence.

Warren Wiersbe writes, “In Scripture, creation is attributed to the _____ (Acts 4:24) and to the _____ (John 1:1-3), and to the _____ Spirit (Psalms 104:30).

Now, think with me of all the _____ of our world today. Here is the list that I gathered:

No wonder our world is in a _____ – all these isms bring nothing but confusion and chaos to the discussion and understanding of God and creation of the heavens and the earth.

I hope that we recognize that Genesis 1:1 refutes all the isms being espoused today throughout our land. There is but ONE God.

III. We have _____ – 1:1

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

This verse tells us that God created the heavens and the earth. Everything was _____ into existence by God.

The Hebrew word for created is “_____”, *and it means “to create”*. This sets the word apart from ordinary making or crafting.

Genesis 1:1 tells us plainly that God brought all things into existence by His power. Theologians interpret bara as indicating God created without any _____ material. This is called, *creation ex nihilo*, or creation out of nothing.

- Psalms 33:9 - *9 For He spoke, and it was done; He commanded, and it stood fast.*
- Hebrews 11:3 - *“By faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God, so that the things which are seen were not made of things which are visible.”*

Why is it that mankind always wants to put a _____ around God.

In Genesis 2:7, we read, *“And the LORD God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living being.”*

IV. We have _____ (Our Home) – 1:2

2 The earth was without form, and void; and darkness was on the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters.

Here we have *“The earth”* that God created. However, we read that it was without _____, and void; and darkness was on the face of the deep.

But here in Genesis 1:2 we have a very different picture of earth:

1. **It was without _____ –**

2. It was _____ -

3. It was _____ -

The earth was but wasn't completed. Why was this do you supposed? Why didn't God just speak everything at once? He could have done so.

The Theological Ideas Behind Genesis 1:1-2

1. _____ **Fall Theory**

2. The _____ **Theory**

3. _____ - _____ **Race Theory**

- **The Age of the Earth**
- **The Power of a Flood**
- **The Grand Canyon**

V. We Have the _____ of God – 1:2

2 The earth was without form, and void; and darkness was on the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters.

What does it mean that the “*Spirit of God*” is hovering over the water?

Genesis 1:1 – the _____ of creation. It's all of God.

Genesis 1:2 – the _____ God made – without form, void (empty), and dark. In my mind, like a lump of grey clay, or a blank canvas of an artist.

Here is the good part – God is about to speak!

Conclusion: What does Genesis 1:1-2 mean to us today? Here is my answer to that question: