In the Beginning

(Creator God)

I the beginning, God (Elohim) created the heavens and the earth. (Genesis 1:1)

How do I experience the "blessed life" that comes from God that is described in scripture?

• Deuteronomy 28:1-14; Psalm 65, 84; John 10: 10; Ephesians 6:3; 2 Peter 1:3-4

By coming to three sources of God that are found in His name "*Elohim*."

We only have time today to explore 3 of them. "Let them praise your great and awesome name. Your name is holy!" **Psalm 99:3 NLT**

Source of Powerful - God is the source of all power (Omnipotent).

- Creating a universe from nothing is the ultimate proof of power.
- God's answer to Job- Where were you when I established the earth? Job 38:4 HCSB
- Jesus as Creator He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation; because by Him everything was created, in heaven and on earth the visible and the invisible whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities - all things were created through Him and for Him. He is before all things and by Him all things hold together. Colossians 1:15-17 HCSB

Source of Wisdom - He is the source of all wisdom and understanding (Omniscient).

- Where wisdom was born The Lord made me at the beginning of His creation, before His works of long ago. Proverbs 8:22 HCSB
- Relational Wisdom Father, I desire those You have given Me to be with Me where I am. Then they
 will see My glory, which You have given Me because You loved Me before the world's foundation.
 John 17:24 HCSB

Source of Authority - He is the source of all authority (*Supremacy*).

- Because He has skin in the game.
- Then God said, "Let us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness." Genesis 1:26 HCSB
- His Image You put on the new man, the one created according to God's likeness in righteousness and purity of truth. Ephesians 4:24 HCSB
- He gives mankind authority to be stewards of His creation.
- "They will rule the fish of the sea, the birds of the sky, the animals, all the earth ... " Genesis 1:26 HCSB

What comes into our mind when we think about God is the most important thing about us. ~ A. W Tozer

Think About It:

- 1. How does being the Creator give power, wisdom, and authority to God?
- 2. What does God's name, Creator, mean to me?
- 3. What does God's behavior as recorded in the life of Jesus communicate about His understanding and feelings about me?
- 4. Since behavior does not lie, what does the record of my life communicate about my understanding and feelings about God?