

THE CREATION



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GENESIS

- GENESIS is a Greek word which means ORIGINS or BEGINNINGS.
- The book of GENESIS records **the Divine truth revealed to Moses** about the ORIGIN of Nature and Humanity by miraculous CREATION, and the HISTORICAL ORIGINS of Sin and Evil, Divine Judgment, Ethnic Races, Redemptive Covenant and the Worship of God.

WHAT IS CREATION?

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Gen 1:1 In the beginning God **created** the "heaven and the earth" or "cosmic universe".

Gen 1:2 ...the **Spirit** of God **moved** upon the face of void waters.

Gen 1:3 And God **said (8X)**, Let there be light: and there was light.

Gen 1:7 And God **made** the firmament (atmospheric sky)...

Gen 1:16 And God **made** two great lights...

Gen 1:21 And God **created** great whales...

Gen 1:25 And God **made** the beast of the earth...

Gen 1:27 So God **created** man in His *own* image...

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1. God's first and foremost work of **creating** (Hb= *bara*) **out of nothing** in the very beginning, so powerfully framed the physical matter, bodies and forces of the **UNIVERSE** (heavens-and-earth or the worlds) into existence and motion (Gen 1:1; Ps 33:6-9; Heb 11:3).

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2. God's six staged work of **making** (Hb= *asah*) **things** and **beings** was **done** (Hb= *asah*) through His Spirit, Word and works, solved the **EARTH's** primordial problems of

darkness,

formlessness and

emptiness (or 'voidness' Gen 1:2);

to make it **good and harmonious for humans**, whom God made in His own image (Gen 1:2-2:3).

Gen 1:1-2 (NET)

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

(2) Now the earth was **without shape** and **empty**, and **darkness** was over the surface of the **watery deep**, but the Spirit of God was moving over the surface of the water.

The Milky Way

Your Universe

- The look of shapeless formlessness and empty voidness.

Rosette Nebula

Your Universe

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**JUPITER is still a chaotic deep
of formless void,
even today.**



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3. Every reproductive creature has a primordial or germinal **beginning** that develops to **maturity** and then degenerates to death and **decay**. So, for every work on earth, **all visible things are temporal** (2Cor 4:28).

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4. Apart from the things created on Earth recorded in Genesis 1 and 2, God also made in the Heavens, other **invisible things** that are good (e.g. **NATURAL SCIENTIFIC FORCES** to equilibrate Nature) and **beings** that are beautifully perfect but morally imperfect. (e.g. **ANGELIC BEINGS**, some of whom were cast down because they degenerated to become the devil and demons). Job 4:18; Ezek 28:12-15

HOW DID GOD SORT OUT THE DARKNESS?

**DAY 1: *Day-Light*
(Gen 1:3-5).**

HOW DID GOD SORT OUT THE FORMLESSNESS?

- DAY 2: **Sky and Waters:**
 - vapour above and
 - liquid below (Gen 1:6-8).
- DAY 3a: **Land**
(Gen 1:9-10).

HOW DID GOD SORT OUT THE EMPTINESS (VOIDNESS)?

- **DAY 3b: Plants** (Gen 1:11-13).

- **DAY 4: Sun, Moon and Stars**
(Gen 1:14-19).

- **DAY 5: Sea Creatures and Flying
Creatures** (Gen 1:20-23).

- **DAY 6: Land Creatures and
Humans** (Gen 1:24-31).

DAY 7: GOD ENDED & RESTED

(Gen 2:1-3)

- On the seventh day God **stopped** creating to improve Nature and **rested** and still rests till today; since its evening and morning were not mentioned, we are now still in the seventh day after creation.
- God has been resting from the work of creation, but has been busy (John 5:10-17) with the work of governance (providence and preservation), and the work of salvation (revelation and redemption).

ABOUT THE THINGS GOD MADE: Questn...

- **WERE THEY
VERY GOOD?**



- **WERE THEY
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ABOUT THE THINGS GOD MADE:

- God (the Creator) alone is both good and immutably perfect (i.e. cannot change nor needs to be changed).
- God cannot change to be better or worse, but everything God made changes either from good to better or from good to worse.
- God's creation was very good (i.e. beneficial, pleasant, admirable, harmonious) but was imperfect (i.e. can either degenerate or improve).

ABOUT THE THINGS GOD MADE: ...Answer

- **WERE THEY
VERY GOOD?**
- **YES!**

- **WERE THEY
UNCHANGEABLY
PERFECT?**
- **NO!**

ABOUT THE THINGS GOD MADE:

- God made Adam & Eve as His representatives to take care of the very good (but imperfect) Earth, controlling (Gen 2:15) using and improving (Gen 1:28f) it by:
 - i. Subduing it;
 - ii. Having Dominion over it;
 - iii. Replenishing it;
 - iv. Keeping Eden **gardened and guarded**.

**LET US ALL ARISE TO REPRESENT GOD
ON EARTH AGAINST SATAN AND EVIL**

WERE ADAM & EVE CREATED PERFECT?

- **NO.** As created beings, Adam/Eve were not perfect; they were very good and innocent but only conditionally or probationally sinless and immortal.
- As God's authorized vicegerents (image & likeness), they had the free **choice** (and full **responsibility** for their choices) to either eat of the **Tree of Life** (**believe** God) unto glory or eat of the **Tree of Good & Evil experiences** (**doubt** God) unto death (Gen 2:17; 3:22).
- Adam & Eve were yet to be indwelt by the Holy Spirit, that is why God's Spirit had to visit and even look for them (Gen 3:8-9).

DID ADAM & EVE BRING IMPROVEMENT ON THE EARTH?

- NO! Rather, they **sold out** their authority to Satan and brought reprobation, degradation and damnation on Earth!
- They obeyed the satan-possessed serpent and so **disobeyed** God.
- They **fell** from glory, **failed** to eat the Tree of Life and **lost** fellowship with God.
- God **cursed** them and the Earth under their domain, but **provided** sacrificial covering with animals and **promised** the SEED-Christ.
- Satan began to compete with them for supremacy on the Earth.

DID ADAM & EVE BRING IMPROVEMENT ON THE EARTH?

- Since the fall of Adam & Eve, the imperfect but very good Earth became accursed by God and demonised by Satan.
- This is why there are sinfulness, suffering, wars, diseases, disasters and troubles in the world today. Yet we can put much of creation to some beneficially good use to ameliorate many of these accursed and demonic effects.

WHO BROUGHT IMPROVEMENT ON THE EARTH?

- JESUS CHRIST! The SEED of the woman that bruises the head of satan (**Gen 3:15**).
- JESUS CHRIST brings the GRACE of redemption, regeneration and restoration! (Act 3:19-21)
- JESUS CHRIST gives believers the Holy Spirit for power of sonship and power over all the powers of the devil. (John 1:12; **Luke 10:18-20**)

WHAT SHOULD WE DO?

(Acts 2:37)

- Repent of our sins, believe in and receive JESUS CHRIST into our lives as our Lord and Saviour, and as the Son of God Who propitiated our sins (Acts 2:38-49)
- Believers in Christ are NEW CREATION (2Cor 5:17) and must not fail again nor let Satan succeed again. (1John 3:5-8)
- Now, all **creation eagerly waits** for Christians to show ourselves as sons of God together with JESUS CHRIST, and bring deliverance to them. (Rom 8:18-21)

**WON'T YOU SHOW
YOURSELF TO BE BORN OF
GOD NOW AND FOREVER?**

**WON'T YOU TAKE YOUR
STAND AS A SON-HEIR AND
ENSURE THE DEVIL NEVER
SUCCEEDS AGAIN?**

**Thank You
and
God's Blessings.**