

# Review of Genesis

The Book of Beginnings

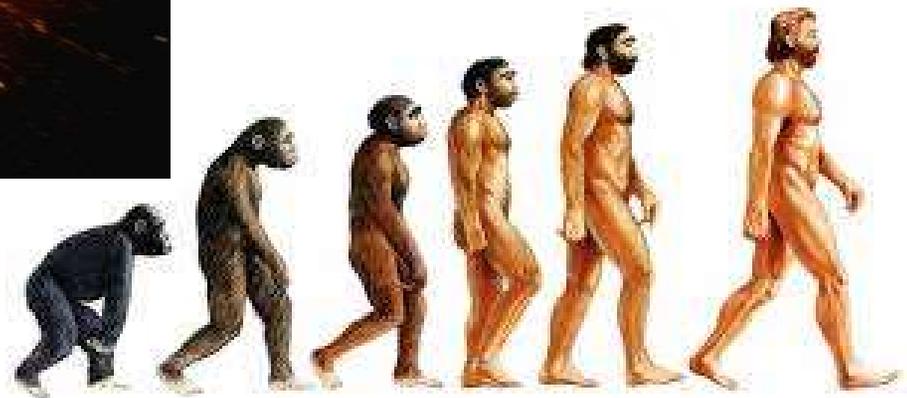
# House Built on a Poor Foundation



# Genesis – Building on Firm Foundations



# Man's Ideas of Origins



# Creation



**Genesis 1:1** In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.

## **Days of Creation**

1. Light
2. The Firmament
3. Dry Land and Plants
4. Sun, Moon, Stars
5. Fish and Birds
6. Land Animals and Man
7. Rested from Creation

# Six Literal Days – Evening and Morning

**Genesis 1:5** God called the light Day, and the darkness He called Night. So **the evening and the morning** were the first day.

**Genesis 1:8** And God called the firmament Heaven. So the **evening and the morning** were the second day.

**Genesis 1:13** So **the evening and the morning** were the third day.

**Genesis 1:19** So **the evening and the morning** were the fourth day.

**Genesis 1:23** So **the evening and the morning** were the fifth day.

**Genesis 1:31** Then God saw everything that He had made, and indeed it was very good. So **the evening and the morning** were the sixth day.

# Six Literal Days – Pattern for Six Day Work Week

**Genesis 2:1–3** Thus the heavens and the earth, and all the host of them, were finished. And on the seventh day God ended His work which He had done, and **He rested on the seventh day from all His work which He had done**. Then God blessed the seventh day and sanctified it, because in it He rested from all His work which God had created and made.

**Exodus 20:8–11** “Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. Six days you shall labor and do all your work, but the seventh day is the Sabbath of the LORD your God. In it you shall do no work: you, nor your son, nor your daughter, nor your male servant, nor your female servant, nor your cattle, nor your stranger who is within your gates. **For in six days the LORD made the heavens and the earth, the sea, and all that is in them, and rested the seventh day. Therefore the LORD blessed the Sabbath day and hallowed it.**

# Creation – Man is God’s Special Creation

**Genesis 1:26–27** Then God said, “**Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness;** let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth.” So God created man in His own image; in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them.

**Genesis 1:28–29** Then God blessed them, and God said to them, “**Be fruitful and multiply; fill the earth and subdue it; have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over every living thing that moves on the earth.**” And God said, “See, I have given you every herb that yields seed which is on the face of all the earth, and every tree whose fruit yields seed; to you it shall be for food.

# Marriage – God’s Design (Genesis 2:18-24)

- 1. Between one man and one woman (Adam and Eve)**
- 2. The wife is to be a companion for her husband (v 18)**
- 3. The wife is comparable to her husband (v 18, v21, v23 - both in the image of God)**
- 4. The wife is to be a helper and serve alongside her husband (v18)**
- 5. Physically intimacy is reserved for marriage (v24 – one flesh)**
- 6. The husband must leave his father and mother (v24)**
- 7. Husband and wife are joined for life (v24-joined-divorce is not an option)**
- 8. Husband and wife are to be fruitful and multiply (Gen 1:28)**

# Sin – Rebellion against God

**Genesis 2:15–17** Then the LORD God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to tend and keep it. And **the LORD God commanded the man**, saying, “Of every tree of the garden you may freely eat; but **of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat**, for in the day that you eat of it you shall surely die.”

**Genesis 3:6** So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, that it was pleasant to the eyes, and a tree desirable to make one wise, **she took of its fruit and ate. She also gave to her husband with her, and he ate.**

The first sin of mankind was a transgression against a revealed command of God. We must see sin as rebellion against the will of God (Psalm 51:4)

# Sin – Consequences (Genesis 3:14-19)

## **For The Serpent – Genesis 3:14-15**

- Crawl on it's belly and eat dust
- Satan, the serpent of old – will be bruised in the head (defeated, destroyed) by the Seed of the Woman (Christ)

## **For The Woman – Genesis 3:16**

- Pain in childbearing
- Unfulfilled desire to be the head

## **For The Man – Genesis 3:17-19**

- Ground is cursed (thorns and thistles)
- Putting bread on the table would be hard work
- The body would eventually die (turn back to dust)

# Sin – Consequences

## **Sin Nature and Death spread to all men**

**Romans 5:12** Therefore, just as through one man sin entered the world, and death through sin, and thus **death spread to all men, because all sinned—**

**Romans 5:18–19** Therefore, as **through one man's offense judgment came to all men, resulting in condemnation**, even so through one Man's righteous act the free gift came to all men, resulting in justification of life. For as **by one man's disobedience many were made sinners**, so also by one Man's obedience many will be made righteous.

# Sin – Consequences

**Suffering and Death are the consequences of sin**

**Romans 8:18–22** For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us. For the earnest expectation of the creation eagerly waits for the revealing of the sons of God. For the creation was subjected to futility, not willingly, but because of Him who subjected it in hope; because the creation itself also will be delivered from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty of the children of God. For we know that the whole creation groans and labors with birth pangs together until now.

# Sin – Brings Divine Judgment

1. Adam and Eve were expelled from the Garden of Eden (Genesis 3:22-24)
2. Cain became a fugitive on the earth (Genesis 4:10-13)
3. The world was destroyed by a worldwide flood (Genesis 6:11-17)
4. God confused the language at Babel (Genesis 11:7-9)
5. Sodom and Gomorrah were destroyed by fire (Gen 19:23-24; 2 Peter 2:6)

# Atonement Through Shedding of Blood

1. God provided **animal skins** for Adam and Eve (Gen 3:21)
2. God had regard for Abel's offering, but not Cain's (Genesis 4:3-5)
3. Noah offered burnt offerings of all the clean animals (Genesis 8:20-21)
4. The patriarchs build numerous altars to the LORD (Genesis 12:7-8, 13:4, 13:18, 22:9, 26:25, 33:20, 35:7)
  - Abraham customarily offered a lamb on the altar (Genesis 22:6-8)

# Animal Sacrifices in Genesis Look Forward to Christ

1. Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world (John 1:29)
2. God passed over the sins of Old Testament believers. (Romans 3:24-25)
3. The animal sacrifices provided a temporary covering, but were not sufficient to actually take away sin. Only Christ's sacrifice can do that (Hebrews 10:4, 10)

## Blessing through Promise (Genesis 12 – 50)

- Genesis 12:1-3 – Land, Nation, Worldwide Blessing
- Genesis 12:7 – Land, Descendants
- Genesis 13:14-17 – Land, Descendants
- Genesis 15 – Land, Descendants
- Genesis 17 – Land, Descendants
- Genesis 22:15-18 – Descendants, Worldwide Blessing

## Genesis 12:1-3

1. Get out of your country...**to a land** I will show you
2. I will make you a **great nation**
3. I will bless you and make your name great
4. You shall be a blessing
5. I will bless those who bless you
6. I will curse him who curses you
7. In you **all the families of the earth shall be blessed**

Location: **Ur/Haran**

Subject: **Land, Nation, Worldwide Blessing**

Notes: These are the primary aspects of the Abrahamic Covenant

# Genesis 12:7

To your descendants, I will give this land.

Location: **Canaan**

Subject: **Land, Descendants**

Notes: The land is promised to Abram's descendants

## **Genesis 13:14-17**

- 1. All the land which you see I give to you and your descendants forever**
- 2. I will make your descendants as the dust of the earth.**
- 3. Arise, walk in the land through its length and width, for I give it to you**

Location: **Canaan**

Subject: **Land, Descendants**

Notes: **The promise is to Abram AND his descendants forever.**

**Abram has not yet possessed the land, descendants not currently in full possession. Fulfillment is future!**

## Genesis 15

1. Look now toward heaven, and count the stars if you are able to number them...So shall your descendants be
2. I am the LORD, who brought you out of Ur of the Chaldeans, to give you this land to inherit it
3. GOD made a formal covenant with Abram saying:  
**To your descendants I have given this land**
  - From the river of Egypt
  - To the great river, the River Euphrates

Location: **Canaan**

Subject: **Land, Descendants**

Notes: This chapter records the formal establishment of the covenant

## Genesis 17

1. I will establish My covenant between Me and you and your descendants after you in their generations for an everlasting covenant to be God to you and your descendants after you.
2. I give to you and your descendants after you the land in which you are a stranger, all the land of Canaan, as an everlasting possession; and I will be their God.

Location: **Canaan**

Subject: **Land, Descendants**

Notes: **The covenant is between God, Abram, and his descendants to be their God and to give them all the land of Canaan as an everlasting possession... Fulfillment is in the future!**

## Genesis 22:15-18

1. Blessing I will bless you, and multiplying I will multiply your descendants as the stars of the heaven and as the sand which is on the seashore
2. Your descendants shall possess the gate of their enemies
3. In your seed all the nations of the earth shall be blessed

Location: **Mt. Moriah in Canaan**

Subject: **Descendants, Worldwide Blessing**

Notes: Reiteration of promises to bless Abram with **numerous descendants** who will “possess” the gate of their enemies. Also, God returns to the original promise of making **Abraham a source of worldwide blessing through his seed.**

# The Promises to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob

1. The Land
2. The Seed
3. Worldwide Blessing