

THE CREATOR AND HIS CREATION

Genesis 1:1-5 (New King James Version)

Genesis 1

The History of Creation

¹ In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. ² The earth was without form, and void; and darkness *was*^[a] on the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters.

³ Then God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light. ⁴ And God saw the light, that *it was* good; and God divided the light from the darkness. ⁵ God called the light Day, and the darkness He called Night. So the evening and the morning were the first day.

Genesis 1:1-5 (New Living Translation)

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The Account of Creation

¹ In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.^[a] ² The earth was formless and empty, and darkness covered the deep waters. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the surface of the waters.

³ Then God said, "Let there be light," and there was light. ⁴ And God saw that the light was good. Then he separated the light from the darkness. ⁵ God called the light "day" and the darkness "night."

And evening passed and morning came, marking the first day.

Genesis 1:1-5 (The Message)

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Heaven and Earth

¹⁻²First this: God created the Heavens and Earth—all you see, all you don't see. Earth was a soup of nothingness, a bottomless emptiness, an inky blackness. God's Spirit brooded like a bird above the watery abyss.

³⁻⁵ God spoke: "Light!"
And light appeared.

God saw that light was good
and separated light from dark.
God named the light Day,
he named the dark Night.
It was evening, it was morning—
Day One.

Day 1

The Bible does not attempt to prove there is a God. It is the assumption of the bible that God exists.

In the beginning God

Isaiah 45:18 (New King James Version)

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.

Psalm 90:2 (New King James Version)

² Before the mountains were brought forth,
Or ever You had formed the earth and the world,
Even from everlasting to everlasting, You *are* God.

“Formless and empty” NIV

Jeremiah 4:23 (New International Version, ©2010)

²³ I looked at the earth,
and it was formless and empty;
and at the heavens,
and their light was gone.

Everything was dark.

John 1:1-5 (New King James Version)

John 1

The Eternal Word

¹ In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. ² He was in the beginning with God. ³ All things were made through Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made. ⁴ In Him was life, and the life was the light of men. ⁵ And the light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not comprehend^[a] it.

This was the condition of this earth before God started creating.

This is symbolic of the condition an unsaved person is in before god begins His creative work in them.

2 Corinthians 5:17 (New King James Version)

¹⁷ Therefore, if anyone *is* in Christ, *he is* a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new.

Ephesians 2:22 (New King James Version)

²² in whom you also are being built together for a dwelling place of God in the Spirit.

Revelation 4:11 (New King James Version)

¹¹ " You are worthy, O Lord,^[a]
To receive glory and honor and power;
For You created all things,
And by Your will they exist^[b] and were created."

Job 38:4-6; Job 38:18 (New King James Version)

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

⁵ Who determined its measurements?
Surely you know!
Or who stretched the line upon it?

⁶ To what were its foundations fastened?
Or who laid its cornerstone,

¹⁸ Have you comprehended the breadth of the earth?
Tell *Me*, if you know all this.

The Spirit of God v. 2

In the New Testament the Holy Spirit

Regenerates

Indwells

Anoints

Baptizes

Empowers

Sanctifies

Gives Gifts

Comforts

Illuminates the Mind

Luke 1:35-36 (New King James Version)

³⁵ And the angel answered and said to her, “*The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Highest will overshadow you; therefore, also, that Holy One who is to be born will be called the Son of God.* ³⁶ Now indeed, Elizabeth your relative has also conceived a son in her old age; and this is now the sixth month for her who was called barren.

Luke 3:21-22 (New King James Version)

John Baptizes Jesus

²¹ When all the people were baptized, it came to pass that Jesus also was baptized; and while He prayed, the heaven was opened. ²² And the Holy Spirit descended in bodily form like a dove upon Him, and a voice came from heaven which said, “You are My beloved Son; in You I am well pleased.”

1 Corinthians 12:3 (New King James Version)

³ Therefore I make known to you that no one speaking by the Spirit of God calls Jesus accursed, and no one can say that Jesus is Lord except by the Holy Spirit.

v.3 God said

v.6 God said

v.9 God said

v.11 God said

v.14 God said

v.20 God said

v.24 God said

v.26 God said

v.29 God said

Isaiah 52:6 (New King James Version)

⁶ Therefore My people shall know My name;
Therefore *they shall know* in that day
That I *am* He who speaks:

` Behold, *it is I.*'"

Proverbs 30:5-6 (New King James Version)

⁵ Every word of God *is* pure;
He *is* a shield to those who put their trust in Him.
⁶ Do not add to His words,
Lest He rebuke you, and you be found a liar.

Psalms 33:4 (New King James Version)

⁴ For the word of the LORD *is* right,
And all His work *is done* in truth.

Hebrews 1 (The Message)

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¹⁻³Going through a long line of prophets, God has been addressing our ancestors in different ways for centuries. Recently he spoke to us directly through his Son. By his Son, God created the world in the beginning, and it will all belong to the Son at the end. This Son perfectly mirrors God, and is stamped with God's nature. He holds everything together by what he says—powerful words!

Light v.3

Darkness and light cannot peacefully exist together.

When light comes darkness has no choice but to flee.

Notice: The sun has not yet been created.

God Himself is the light.

Revelation 21:23 (New King James Version)

²³ The city had no need of the sun or of the moon to shine in it,^[a] for the glory^[b] of God illuminated it. The Lamb *is* its light.

Revelation 22:5 (New King James Version)

⁵ There shall be no night there: They need no lamp nor light of the sun, for the Lord God gives them light. And they shall reign forever and ever.

John 1:5 (New Living Translation)

⁵ The light shines in the darkness,
and the darkness can never extinguish it.^[a]

The light is good.

Do not be afraid of the light.

John 3:18-21 (New King James Version)

¹⁸ "He who believes in Him is not condemned; but he who does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God. ¹⁹ And this is the condemnation, that the light has come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil. ²⁰ For everyone practicing evil hates the light and does

not come to the light, lest his deeds should be exposed. ²¹ But he who does the truth comes to the light, that his deeds may be clearly seen, that they have been done in God.”

1 Peter 2:9 (New King James Version)

⁹ But you *are* a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, His own special people, that you may proclaim the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light;

1 John 1:5-7 (New King James Version)

Fellowship with Him and One Another

⁵ This is the message which we have heard from Him and declare to you, that God is light and in Him is no darkness at all. ⁶ If we say that we have fellowship with Him, and walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. ⁷ But if we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us from all sin.

God Created

It means God changed chaos into cosmos, disorder into order, emptiness into fullness.

God created the heavens and the earth for us to enjoy.
For His glory.

For us to inhabit. When God speaks everyone should listen!

What is God saying to us today?

Collectively

Personally

What will God create within us today?

Psalm 51:10-13 (New King James Version)

- ¹⁰ Create in me a clean heart, O God,
And renew a steadfast spirit within me.
- ¹¹ Do not cast me away from Your presence,
And do not take Your Holy Spirit from me.
- ¹² Restore to me the joy of Your salvation,
And uphold me *by Your* generous Spirit.
- ¹³ *Then* I will teach transgressors Your ways,
And sinners shall be converted to You.

Do you need a steadfast spirit?

The verb translated create is the same word used in Genesis 1.