

WALK THE TALK //////////////////////////////////////

This page is designed for you to apply what you have learned from the Scriptures. Our goal is not just "to know" but to "act upon what we know." (His Word, Our Walk!) We encourage you to discuss the following questions with family, friends and your Group. Although you can review it on your own, it will be most useful to you when processed with others!



FOR DISCUSSION:

1. What has been your understanding of the creation story and how was it confirmed or challenged in this study?
2. What was most interesting concerning the Purpose and Place of Genesis? What was new to you?
3. As we looked at the meaning of the first two verses in detail, what words or thoughts were most interesting or helpful?
4. God created with His voice. What other times in Scripture did God use just His Voice to do great things? Why is this special?
5. What does the order of creation teach you? What about the number of seven days?
6. Your best thought, lesson or question?



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KEY THOUGHTS FOR THIS SERIES:

1. God is the _____ of Genesis 1-11 even though He is often forgotten as we talk about the _____ incredible events of this section of Scripture.
2. These four events are given as _____, and according to other portions of the Bible, they happened just as they are _____. We need to determine _____ to respond.



THE PURPOSE AND PLACE OF GENESIS

The first _____ chapters of Genesis include over 2,000 years of history which is more than the _____ of the Bible combined. It is a _____ to the purpose of Scriptures — Jesus, the Christ. (Creation, Fall, Flood, Babel)

Science and the Bible can work hand-in-hand. Science has proven _____ that disproves the Bible's _____ of these events.



GENESIS 1 — THE CREATION

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

In the beginning . . . בְּרֵאשִׁית — B're'shiyth — When was the beginning? _____ knows for sure.

- Some say between _____ and _____ years ago
- Some say _____ billion years ago
- Some say _____
- (Some merge the _____ and _____ view.)

God — The existence of God is _____. It is not questioned nor does any writer try to _____ it. In fact, the Bible says that only a _____ would question the existence of _____.

Psa. 14:1 The fool says in his heart, "There is no God."

John 1:1 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. 2 He was with God in the beginning. 3 Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made.

The word for God is אֱלֹהִים —'elohiym, which is a _____ word. So already we see a _____.

Created — בָּרָא — bara' — _____ used of God in Scripture. The concept is to create from _____. This is something that man _____ do. Man can _____ (asah) but only God can _____.

How did God create the world? He _____ it into being.

Gen. 1:3 And God said, "Let there be light," and there was light.

Gen. 1:3 and God saith, 'Let light be;' and light is. (Young's)

Gen. 1:6 And God said, "Let there be a vault between the waters to separate water from water." (also verses 9,11,14,20)

John 2:7 Jesus said to the servants, "Fill the jars with water"; so they filled them to the brim. 8 Then he told them, "Now draw some out and take it to the master of the banquet."

John 11:43 . . . Jesus called in a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!"

The Heavens and the earth — הַשָּׁמַיִם וְאֶת הָאָרֶץ — ha'shamayim v'eth ha'erets — The word heaven is _____ as the Hebrew perspective was of _____ "heavens."

2Cor. 12:2 I know a man in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven. . . .

The word earth is the reference to our _____ as there was no visible _____ on the globe at this time.

Verse 2 shifts to the study of just the earth.

Gen. 1:2 Now the earth was formless and empty, darkness was over the surface of the deep, and the Spirit of God was hovering over the waters.

The earth was formless and empty — תֹהוּ וָבֹהוּ — tohuw v'bohuw — The first word indicates "_____, wasteland, emptiness" while the second suggests much the same, an "_____."

God certainly didn't create the world in _____ and so many would suggest that there is a "_____" between verses 1 & 2. During this time, the _____ were there; and possibly _____ which caused the chaos and emptiness.

Job 38:4 "Where were you when I laid the earth's foundation? Tell me, if you understand. 5 Who marked off its dimensions? Surely you know! Who stretched a measuring line across it? 6 On what were its footings set, or who laid its cornerstone— 7 while the morning stars sang together and all the angels shouted for joy?

Eze 28:14 You were anointed as a guardian cherub, for so I ordained you.

You were on the holy mount of God; you walked among the fiery stones.

15 You were blameless in your ways from the day you were created till wickedness was found in you.

Darkness was over the surface of the deep, a continuing _____ of this earth. Darkness is חֹשֶׁךְ — choshek.

And the Spirit of God was hovering over the waters. But God was there to bring everything _____ to _____.

And God Said . . . (6 days?; evening and morning)

Day 1 — _____ — Gen 1:3; Rev. 21-23	Day 4 — _____, _____, Stars— Gen 1:14
Day 2 — _____ and _____ - Gen 1:6	Day 5 — _____ & _____ - Gen 1:20
Day 3 — _____ — Gen 1:9	Day 6— Animals & _____—Gen 1:24-26
Sabbath	
Gen. 2:3 Then God blessed the seventh day and made it holy, because on it he rested (שָׁבַת shabath) from all the work of creating that he had done.	