

The Generations of Heaven and Earth

Gen 2:4-7

I. The Generations of Heaven and Earth, *The Section Heading*

A. Generations (תּוֹלְדוֹת, toledoth)

1. Account of person and their descendants
2. Eleven times as heading in Genesis
3. Of the Heavens and the Earth
 - a) Original Creation (Man)
 - b) Into the next Generation

B. What and When

1. When *God created The Heavens and The Earth* (v.4)
2. Lord God is יהוה אֱלֹהִים, YHWH Elohim (V.4)
 - a) The Tetragrammaton, God's personal name [Ex 3:13-15](#)
 - b) A Shift in presentation, more personal, close
 - c) Demonstrating personal involvement
3. Plants and Herbs of the *Field* (שָׂדֶה, sa-deh')(v. 5), as in cultivated
4. Man, origins of Man.
5. All events in Chapter 2:4-25 (EOC) take place on Day 6
6. Chapter 2 is not a different creation, more details of same

C. The Time it Never Rained (vv.5-6)

1. There had been no rain (v.5)
2. "Mist" (אֶדָּה, ade, mist, flow, spring) rose from the earth (v.6)
3. Watered whole (all, everything, whatsoever) face of the ground
4. Underground structure of caverns, tubes, heating chambers
5. Possible Hydroplate theory? Dr. Walt Brown

D. Man (v. 7)

1. Lord God formed (יָצַר, yatsar, formed, as an artist) close involvement
2. Man (אָדָם Aw-dawm', Adam).
3. Of the dust (dirt, mud) of the ground (אֶדְמָה, Aw-da-maw')
4. Breathed (נָפַח, naw-fahk', breathe blow, puff, inflate) into (transferred something)
5. Adam, his nostrils (where he breathes)
6. Breath (נְשָׁמָה, nesh-aw-maw', breath, blast, inspiration, soul) of life => was transferred
7. Adam came to life, became a living soul (khai-yah nefesh)

Genesis 2:4–7 (ESV)

- ⁴ These are the generations of the heavens and the earth when they were created, in the day that the LORD God made the earth and the heavens.

⁵When no bush of the field was yet in the land and no small plant of the field had yet sprung up—for the LORD God had not caused it to rain on the land, and there was no man to work the ground, ⁶and a mist was going up from the land and was watering the whole face of the ground — ⁷then the LORD God formed the man of dust from the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, and the man became a living creature.

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Exodus 3:13–15 (ESV)

¹³ Then Moses said to God, “If I come to the people of Israel and say to them, ‘The God of your fathers has sent me to you,’ and they ask me, ‘What is his name?’ what shall I say to them?” ¹⁴ God said to Moses, “I AM WHO I AM.” And he said, “Say this to the people of Israel: ‘I AM has sent me to you.’ ” ¹⁵ God also said to Moses, “Say this to the people of Israel: ‘The LORD, the God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you.’ **This is my name forever, and thus I am to be remembered throughout all generations.**

Outline of Genesis

- I. Creation of Heaven and Earth (1:1-2:3)
- II. The Generations of Heaven and Earth (2:4-4:26)
- III. The Book of the Generations of Adam (5:1-6:8)
- IV. The Generations of Noah (6:9-9:29)
- V. The Generations of Shem, Ham and Japheth (10:1-11:9)
- VI. The Generations of Shem [Shem to Terah] (11:10-26)
- VII. The Generations of Terah (11:27-25:11)
- VIII. The Generations of Ishmael (25:12-18)
- IX. The Generations of Isaac (25:19-35:29)
- X. The Generations of Esau (36:1-37:1)
- XI. The Generations of Jacob (37:2-50:26)