

# THE CREATION

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## LESSON # 2



CHRONICLES OF  
REDEMPTION

# The Creation

## Genesis 1-2

### THEMES

### NOTES:

God:

God created the heavens and the earth and all that is in them, both seen and unseen. He created all things \_\_\_\_\_. God is sovereign over His creation.

Satan:

The fallen angel, Satan, is the source of all \_\_\_\_\_. He is the enemy of God and all good.

Man:

Man was created to be \_\_\_\_\_ upon God and \_\_\_\_\_ to God, his Creator.

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# 1

## Creation Of The Spiritual World

Angels are an extra-terrestrial race of spirit beings whose existence is mentioned in over \_\_\_\_\_ books of the Bible. Far from the popular notion of *fat little babies with wings*, angels possess awesome beauty and power. Though supernatural in nature, they are personal beings who have played a part in human events throughout the course of history.

### The Holy Angels

 Their Creation:

- Angels were created by God and for His \_\_\_\_\_ (Neh. 9:6; Ps. 148:2,5; Col. 1:15-16).
- Angels were \_\_\_\_\_ when God “*laid the foundations of the earth*” (Job 38:4-7).
- Angels live in \_\_\_\_\_ with God: “*...I saw the Lord sitting on His throne, and all the host of heaven standing on His right hand and His left*” (2 Chron. 18:18), (cf. Neh. 9:6; Dan. 7:10).
- Their number cannot be \_\_\_\_\_: “*...ten thousand times ten thousand, and thousands of thousands*” (Rev. 5:11), (cf. Job. 25:3; Dan. 7:10; Heb. 12:22).



### **Their Attributes:**

- Angels are \_\_\_\_\_ (Ps. 104:4). Therefore, they do not have physical bodies as humans do. Their immaterial bodies appear to be unhindered by physical laws of nature. They can, for instance, appear suddenly out of nowhere (Luke 2:8-13), transport themselves through space (Luke 2:15), and display superhuman strength (Acts 5:19).
- Angels seem to be genderless. However whenever they do appear in physical form, they always appear as adult males—never as babies—in Biblical accounts (cf. Gen. 18:2; 19:1 *ff.*). They do not marry or reproduce (Matt. 22:30), nor do they die (Luke 20:36). Their number has been \_\_\_\_\_ since their creation.
- Angels are more \_\_\_\_\_ than humans (Ps. 103:20; 2 Pet. 2:11).
- Angels were created \_\_\_\_\_, meaning *set apart, without sin* (cf: Dan. 4:13,17; Mark 8:38; Jude 14).
- Angels have a distinct organizational structure given by God. Among these are the \_\_\_\_\_ who are connected with protecting the holiness of God (Gen. 3:24; Ps. 99:1); the \_\_\_\_\_ who are connected with the worship of God (Isa. 6:1-7); and the \_\_\_\_\_ or chief angel of God (1 Thess. 4:16, Jude 9).



### **Their Service:**

- Angels \_\_\_\_\_ God: “*Above it stood seraphim...And one cried to another and said: Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts [angels] ; the whole earth is full of His glory!*” (Isa. 6:2-3), (cf. Ps. 29:1-2; Heb. 1:6).



- Satan was banished from his original position in heaven and cast away from God's presence (Ezek. 28:16; Luke 10:18). A \_\_\_\_\_ of the angels followed Satan in a revolt against God (Rev. 12:4).
- Scripture refers to these fallen angels as \_\_\_\_\_ (evil or unclean spirits); and Satan is their prince or ruler (Matt. 12:24).
- Since the original rebellion, Satan and the demons pursue their evil works in the environs of earth and its atmosphere (Eph. 2:2; 6:12). Satan is referred to elsewhere as the *ruler of this world* (John 14:30; 2 Cor. 4:4). He continues to oppose God and hinder all who serve Him, whether angelic or human (Zech. 3:1; 1 Thess. 2:18).
- The fall of Satan and the demons must have occurred somewhere between God's pronouncement of His creation as *very good* (Gen. 1:31) and the appearance of Satan in Eden (Gen. 3:1).



### Their Destiny

- In divine judgment, God has prepared a special place of confinement for Satan, his demons, and all who follow him in rebellion. The *lake of fire* or \_\_\_\_\_ is described as a place of everlasting punishment and torment (Matt. 25:41,46; Rev. 19:20; 20:10; 21:8).
- The concept of \_\_\_\_\_ punishment for those who oppose God is not to be taken figuratively. The lake of fire is a literal place and will be revealed at a future time, i.e. *the end of the age* (Matt 13:47-50).

# 2

## Creation Of The Physical World



Read Genesis 1:1-2



### The Creative Work of God:

- ***“In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth” (1:1).***

The teaching of the Bible begins with *God*. Without attempting to substantiate His existence, the Scriptures simply declare that God *is*, and that He alone created all that exists. The name God is translated from the Hebrew *Elohim*, a general term for deity which means





- 1 **The First Day:** God made \_\_\_\_\_ and divided it from the darkness (1:3-5; Isa. 45:7; 2 Cor. 4:6).
- 2 **The Second Day:** God formed the heavens (the \_\_\_\_\_) and separated it from the waters (1:6-8; Ps. 19:1).
- 3 **The Third Day:** God separated the land from the oceans and created the entire world of \_\_\_\_\_ (1:9-13; Ps. 95:5-6).
- 4 **The Fourth Day:** God positioned the \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_ to provide light and to mark the passage of time (1:14-19; Job. 9:9; Ps. 104:19).
- 5 **The Fifth Day:** God made the creatures of the \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ (1:20-23; Job 12:7-10).
- 6 **The Sixth Day:** God made the \_\_\_\_\_ of the earth and \_\_\_\_\_ (1:24-31; Ps. 100:3; Prov. 22:2; Isa. 45:12; Jer. 27:5).
- 7 **The Seventh Day:** God \_\_\_\_\_ (2:1-3). God stopped working on the seventh day. He was not exhausted or weary. Rather, His creative work was complete.

#### Job 12:7-10



“But now ask the beasts, and they will teach you: and the birds of the air, and they will tell you; or speak to the earth, and it will teach you; and the fish of the sea will explain to you. Who among all these does not know that the hand of the Lord has done this, in Whose hand is the life of every living thing, and the breath of all mankind?”

#### Why God Created

1. To pursue His good \_\_\_\_\_ (cf. Ps. 104:31; Rom. 11:36; Col. 1:16).
2. To unfold His great \_\_\_\_\_ (cf. Isa. 45:18; Rev. 4:11).
3. To display His \_\_\_\_\_ and majesty (cf. Isa. 48:13; Jer. 10:12; Amos 4:13).
4. To demonstrate His \_\_\_\_\_ (cf. Ps. 24:1; 33:6; 50:12).
5. To express His \_\_\_\_\_ (cf. Neh. 9:5-6; Ps. 19:1-2; Isa. 43:7).
6. To reveal His \_\_\_\_\_ (cf. Rom. 1:20).

# 3

## Creation Of Adam & Eve



Read Genesis 1:26-31; 2:7



God created

Adam, the father of mankind.

This passage details the creative events of the sixth day (Gen. 5:1-2).

- **“Let Us make man...” (1:26).**

Here, the Trinity spoke among themselves, determining to make man. It is the clear teaching of the

Scriptures that the human race did not come into existence by random accident. God \_\_\_\_\_ to create mankind (Isa. 45:18; Rev. 4:11). It is important to understand that God did not create mankind because He had a need for love, companionship, or worship. The Triune God was self-sufficient before the world was made (John 17:5,14; Acts 17:24-25).

- **“...in Our image...” (1:26).**

Mankind holds a unique place in God’s creative order precisely because God made him in His Own \_\_\_\_\_. This means that God made man with the remarkable ability to *reflect various aspects of God’s Own nature*. Humanity is absolutely distinct from the animals in this regard.

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Like God, man has a \_\_\_\_\_ nature. He has the capacity to reason (intelligence), to make decisions (volition), and to express affection (emotion). Likewise, man can *know* God, *obey* God, and *love* God.



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Like God, man has a \_\_\_\_\_ nature. God made him without sin and good, and with the capacity to know right from wrong, good from evil.

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Unlike God, Who is spirit, man is limited by his \_\_\_\_\_ form (cf. John 4:24).

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Unlike God, man does not possess divine attributes such as \_\_\_\_\_ wisdom, power, and glory. These are God's alone (cf. Rom. 16:27; Rev. 19:6; Exod.

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15:11).

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Unlike God, the all-sufficient Creator, man is a \_\_\_\_\_ creature, limited by both birth and death.

Unlike God, the Source of life, man is a \_\_\_\_\_ creature, deriving his life from God (cf. Job. 33:4).

- ***“And the Lord God formed man...” (2:7).***

This verse details the creation of man in 1:26. Adam, meaning \_\_\_\_\_, was made from dust. But even after all the physical components were in place, Adam did not have life. For the body is merely the house of the unseen person within.

- ***“...and breathed into his nostril the breath of life...” (2:7).***

The person within was the eternal \_\_\_\_\_ which God breathed into him (Eccl. 12:7; Zech. 12:1). This inner self is the part of man which reflects God's image. A man sees his child with his eyes but loves him from his soul.

- ***“Then God blessed them (male and female)...” (1:28-30).***

Man was blessed and given the mandate of \_\_\_\_\_ (to fill the earth) and \_\_\_\_\_ (to order and rule the earth) (cf. Ps. 8:6-8).



**Read Genesis 2:8-17**



Eden, the garden of the Lord

- ***“And the Lord God planted a garden...” (2:8).***

Although its specific location is unknown, Eden was a paradise of lushness, bounty, and beauty. It was watered by both a river and a mist which covered the earth (2:5-6). God prepared a perfect environment for Adam which met every human need.

- ***“And there He placed the man whom He had formed...” (2:8).***

God *placed* man in the garden. God is the Creator and thus acted \_\_\_\_\_ without consulting Adam.

- ***“...to cultivate it and keep it...” (2:15).***

A part of Adam’s life in Eden involved \_\_\_\_\_. Unlike drudgery, creative service reflects the image of God and distinguishes man from animal.

- ***“And the Lord God commanded the man, saying... ‘From the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat...’” (2:16-17).***

The two trees mentioned here are real trees which existed in the garden. The tree of \_\_\_\_\_ had qualities which would preserve life when eaten, for in God’s original creation there was no death (Rom. 5:12). The tree of the \_\_\_\_\_ of good and evil was not evil in itself, but involved a testing point for Adam to exercise his will, to choose between good and evil (2:16-17). God’s ban on only *one* tree was certainly a test of Adam’s willingness to submit to God’s \_\_\_\_\_. God *has* authority to command man by virtue of His position as sovereign Creator, His perfectly righteous character whereby He can be trusted (Deut. 32:4; Ps. 18:28-30), and His infinite knowledge of what was Adam’s ultimate best (Ps. 139:3; Eccl. 11:5; Rom. 11:33-34).

- ***“For in the day that you eat from it you shall surely die” (2:17).***

When God revealed His will to Adam, He communicated what was *right* and *wrong*. Thus Adam’s choice was a \_\_\_\_\_ one: he would either obey God’s command, or he would assert his own will and rebel. The consequence of Adam’s choice was a matter of life and death: obedient behavior, which springs from trust in God, results in blessing, good, and life. Conversely, rebellious behavior, the offshoot of an independent heart, brings evil, judgment, and death (cf. Deut 30:15-16). The biblical term for violating God’s revealed will is \_\_\_\_\_, and sin always produces death (cf. Rom. 3:23).



**Read Genesis 2:18-25**

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Adam’s companion



2. Where did the devil and demons come from if God originally created all of the angels good?

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3. Why did God create hell?

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4. How long did God take to create the world?

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5. Which of God's characteristics have you seen displayed in this lesson?

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6. How did God show that He rules over mankind?

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7. How was God's love displayed toward man?

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8. What testing point did God provide for Adam to exercise his will?

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9. What was the consequence for their disobedience to God's revealed will?

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10. What is God's ordained pattern for the relationship between man and woman?

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