

Search for Truth

2. In the Beginning

Genesis 1:1

Let us notice at the outset of this lesson that God does not try to explain himself; he declares himself. The Bible simply starts out, "In the beginning God". God is eternal, he has always been, and he will always be. There's no way to explain God. You just have to take him at his word.

1. God is...

- **The Creator**
He created all things. Genesis 1:1
- **Eternal**
God has no beginning or ending.
Revelation 1:8
- **Living**
God is alive. He is not an idol.
Daniel 6:26
- **Omnipresent**
Omni means "all". He is present everywhere at the same time.
Jeremiah 23:24
- **Omnipotent**
He has all power at his command. Revelation 19:6
- **Omniscient**
He knows all; nothing is hidden from him. Psalm 139:4
- **A Spirit**
God is a Spirit. John 4:24
- **One**
God is one. Deuteronomy 6:4
- **Our Father**
He is our Father. Matthew 7:11

2. God's angels were created to worship and serve.

Angels were created; they're not eternal.

Ps 148:2,5-6

2 Praise ye him, all his angels: praise ye him, all his hosts.

5 Let them praise the name of the LORD: for he commanded, and they were created.

6 He hath also stablished them for ever and ever: he hath made a decree which shall not pass.

Angels were created to worship God.

Neh 9:6

6 Thou, even thou, art LORD alone; thou hast made heaven, the heaven of heavens, with all their host, the earth, and all things that are therein, the seas, and all that is therein, and thou preservest them all; and the host of heaven worshippeth thee.

Angels were created to serve and protect the church.

Heb 1:14

14 Are they not all ministering spirits, sent forth to minister for them who shall be heirs of salvation?

Ps 91:11

11 For he shall give his angels charge over thee, to keep thee in all thy ways.

Ps 34:7

Everywhere we go, everything we do, there are angels all around. They are here to minister and protect us as well as our family. We don't have to walk through this world alone. We need to understand the power that we have at our fingertips.

Lucifer, Son of the morning

Many people think of the devil as being equal with God, or the exact opposite. Think black, white... good, bad...or angels, demons. But you cannot say God, devil because there's no equal opposite to God. The devil is a fallen angel.

Ezek 28:13-15

13 Thou hast been in Eden the garden of God; every precious stone was thy covering,... in the day that thou wast created.

14 Thou art the anointed cherub that covereth; and I have set thee so: thou wast upon the holy mountain of God; thou hast walked up and down in the midst of the stones of fire.

15 Thou wast perfect in thy ways from the day that thou wast created, till iniquity was found in thee.

War in heaven

Rev 12:7-9

7 And there was war in heaven: Michael and his angels fought against the dragon; and the dragon fought and his angels,

8 And prevailed not; neither was their place found any more in heaven.

9 And the great dragon was cast out, that old serpent, called the Devil, and Satan, which deceiveth the whole world: he was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast out with him.

Luke 10:18

Satan tries to make you believe that you are a failure. But don't forget- Satan failed God when there was not even a devil to tempt him and he fell hard!

2 Cor 4:4

4 In whom the **god of this world** hath blinded the minds of them which believe not, lest the light of the glorious gospel of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine unto them.

Satan became the god of this world that is why we do not do the things of the world. We reach after God with everything in us because we need his strength to take us from this life to life everlasting.

3. God created the heavens and the earth

Heb 11:3

Isa 44:24

24 Thus saith the LORD, thy redeemer, and he that formed thee from the womb, I am the LORD that maketh all things; that stretcheth forth the heavens alone; that spreadeth abroad the earth by myself;

We find here at the very beginning a pattern that God follows to this day! First God prepares, then he fills what has been prepared.

Day 1 light – Day 4 sun, moon, stars

Day 2 divided the waters- Day 5 fish

Day 3 dry land – Day 6 beasts

God is preparing you so he can fill you.

4. First Dispensation- "Innocence"

Adam was created in innocence

Gen 1:26-27

26 And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness: and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and

over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth.

27 So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them.

Eve was created in innocence

Gen 2:21-22

Tree of the knowledge of good and evil

Gen 2:16-18

Why did God put the tree in the middle of the garden?

God put the tree in the middle of the garden, not because he wanted Adam and Eve to fail, but because he wanted them to have a choice. God did not want robots, but he wanted someone that would love and obey him because they chose to.

This serpent deceived Eve

Gen 3:1-5

Gen 3:6-10

Rom 5:12

12 Wherefore, as by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned:

5. Innocence ended in judgment

The curse of sin

- An immediate spiritual death
- A future physical death
- Separation from the presence of God, which means they could no longer properly rule the earth

Serpent	Woman	Man
Gen 3:14	3:16	3:17-19

Gen 3:21

21 Unto Adam also and to his wife did the LORD God make coats of skins, and clothed them.

God used the bloody carcasses of an animal to cover the nakedness that associated with the sin that Adam-and-Eve had committed. From that day forward only death and blood the cover sin.

6. The wonderful promise

The seed of the woman

Gen 3:15

Isa 7:14

14 Therefore the Lord himself shall give you a sign; Behold, a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel.

Gal 4:4

Spiritual Warfare

Eph 6:10-13

We have the victory

1 Cor 2:8

Rev 1:18

18 I am he that liveth, and was dead; and, behold, I am alive for evermore, Amen; and have the keys of hell and of death.

Eph 1:20-22

Jesus has put all things under his feet and they are going to stay there. Put your trust in him!