

# We Believe

*The Foundations of our Faith*



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# The Doctrine Of Creation & Fall


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## **WE BELIEVE**

1. God made all things good.
2. God governs everything He made.
3. God made humans in His image.
4. Humans rebelled against God.
5. All humans are sinful.



**What is the original intention**  
*the purpose of the creation*  
*of human beings?*

# Genesis Chapter 1 - The Creation

<sup>1</sup> In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth. <sup>2</sup> The earth was without form and void, and darkness was over the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters.

<sup>3</sup> **And God said**, "Let there be light," and there was light. <sup>4</sup> And God saw that the light was **good**. And God separated the light from the darkness. <sup>5</sup> God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

(1ST DAY - LIGHT AND DARKNESS - DAY AND NIGHT)

# Genesis Chapter 1 - The Creation

<sup>6</sup> **And God said**, “Let there be an expanse in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters.” <sup>7</sup> And God made the expanse and separated the waters that were under the expanse from the waters that were above the expanse. And it was so. <sup>8</sup> And God called the expanse Heaven. And there was evening and there was morning, the second day.

**(2ND DAY - SKY AND WATERS)**

<sup>9</sup> **And God said**, “Let the waters under the heavens be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear.” And it was so. <sup>10</sup> God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas. And God saw that it was **good**. **(EARTH AND SEAS)**

# Genesis Chapter 1 - The Creation

<sup>11</sup> **And God said**, “Let the earth sprout vegetation, plants yielding seed, and fruit trees bearing fruit in which is their seed, each according to its kind, on the earth.” And it was so. <sup>12</sup> The earth brought forth vegetation, plants yielding seed according to their own kinds, and trees bearing fruit in which is their seed, each according to its kind. And God saw that it was **good**. <sup>13</sup> And there was evening and there was morning, the third day. (3RD DAY - PLANTS AND TREES)

# Genesis Chapter 1 - The Creation

<sup>14</sup> **And God said**, “Let there be lights in the expanse of the heavens to separate the day from the night. And let them be for signs and for seasons, and for days and years, <sup>15</sup> and let them be lights in the expanse of the heavens to give light upon the earth.” And it was so. <sup>16</sup> And God made the two great lights—the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night—and the stars. <sup>17</sup> And God set them in the expanse of the heavens to give light on the earth, <sup>18</sup> to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was **good**. <sup>19</sup> And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day. (4TH DAY - SUN, MOON, AND STARS)

# Genesis Chapter 1 - The Creation

<sup>20</sup> **And God said**, “Let the waters swarm with swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the expanse of the heavens.” <sup>21</sup> So God created the great sea creatures and every living creature that moves, with which the waters swarm, according to their kinds, and every winged bird according to its kind. And God saw that it was **good**. <sup>22</sup> And God blessed them, saying, “Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth.” <sup>23</sup> And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth day.

(5TH DAY - ANIMALS OF SEA AND AIR)

# Genesis Chapter 1 - The Creation

<sup>24</sup> **And God said**, “Let the earth bring forth living creatures according to their kinds—livestock and creeping things and beasts of the earth according to their kinds.” And it was so. <sup>25</sup> And God made the beasts of the earth according to their kinds and the livestock according to their kinds, and everything that creeps on the ground according to its kind. And God saw that it was **good**.

<sup>26</sup> Then God said, “Let us make man in our image, after our likeness...

**(6TH DAY - LAND ANIMALS AND HUMANS)**

<sup>31</sup> And God saw everything that he had made, and behold, it was **very good**. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.




## **The word “good”** (tov, טוֹב)

- Conveys not just moral goodness but also suitability, beauty, and functional completeness.
- It operates according to His design and meets His standards.
- The elements of creation (plants, animals, light, etc.) live in a balanced, beautiful, and flourishing harmony.



## **The word “very good”** (טוֹב מְאֹד, tov me'od)

- It appears at the end of the creation week, elevating the status of the completed creation from simply "good" (tov) to "very good" (me'od), indicating it was perfectly fit for its intended purpose and met God's approval.



<sup>15</sup> The Lord God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to work it and keep it.

<sup>18</sup> Then **the Lord God said**, “It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper fit for him.”

<sup>24</sup> Therefore a man shall leave his father and his mother and hold fast to his wife, and they shall become one flesh.

<sup>25</sup> And the man and his wife were both naked and were not ashamed.

## **Genesis 2**

# Original Intention - The Creation of Human

1. **Relationship with God** → Direct, unbroken fellowship with God; no fear, no separation
2. **Image of God** → Humans reflect God's nature (holiness, love, righteousness) clearly and without distortion
3. **Partnership with God** (Stewardship & Dominion) → Humanity rules and cares for the earth in harmony with God's will
4. **Participation with God** (Fruitfulness) → "Be fruitful and multiply" is a joyful, life-giving participation in God's creative work
5. **Relationship with others** (Man & Woman) → "It is not good that the man should be alone." Perfect unity, openness, and intimacy ("naked and unashamed")

## Genesis Chapter 3 - The Fall

<sup>4</sup> But the serpent said to the woman, “You will not surely die. <sup>5</sup> For God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and **you will be like God**, knowing good and evil.” <sup>6</sup> So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate, and she also gave some to her husband who was with her, and he ate. <sup>7</sup> Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked. And they sewed fig leaves together and made themselves loincloths.

<sup>9</sup> But the Lord God called to the man and said to him, “Where are you?” <sup>10</sup> And he said, “I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked, and I hid myself.”



# Before and After

Aspect	Original Intention (Before the Fall)	After The Fall (Sin/Distortion)
1. Relationship with God	Direct, unbroken fellowship with God; no fear, no separation	Relationship <b>severed</b> → fear replaces intimacy; humans hide and are expelled
2. Image of God	Humans reflect God's nature (holiness, love, righteousness) clearly and without distortion	Image becomes <b>distorted</b> → shame, guilt, self-centeredness
3. Partnership with God (Stewardship & Dominion)	Humanity rules and cares for the earth in harmony with God's will	Stewardship becomes <b>frustrated</b> → work becomes toil; the ground is cursed (thorns and thistles). Man lost dominion, and the earth was cursed to oppose him
4. Participation with God (Fruitfulness)	"Be fruitful and multiply" is a joyful, life-giving participation in God's creative work	Fruitfulness becomes <b>painful</b> → "multiply your pain in childbearing; in pain you shall bring forth children"
5. Relationship with others (Man & Woman)	"It is not good that the man should be alone." Perfect unity, openness, and intimacy ("naked and unashamed")	Relationships <b>broken</b> → blame, tension, power struggles



# Restoration

## **#1 Atonement & Sacrifice - Genesis 3:21**


And the Lord God made for Adam and for his wife garments of skins and clothed them.

*The cost of sin is to obtain skins, and an animal had to die.*


*This is the first sacrifice, where the consequence of sin is death and an innocent life must be given to cover the guilty, foreshadowing what Christ came to do.*

## **#2 First Gospel - Genesis 3:15**

“I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; he will crush your head, and you will strike his heel.”



**Ultimately, God's story is a  
love story written for you  
and me**



*The purpose of life is to know God,  
enjoy His presence, surrender all  
of ourselves, partner with Him,  
and live according to His purpose  
for His glory.*