



Genesis - Beginnings and Foundations

Chapter 1D & 2A
Dec 1, 2024

Module 5, Room 1

Class Schedule for the next few weeks

- ✓ *Nov 17, 2024 – Genesis Ch 1 B*
 - ✓ *Nov 19, 2024 -Manor Lake - Daniel Ch 4*
- ✓ *Nov 24, 2024 – Genesis Ch 1 C*
 - ✓ *Nov 27, 28 – Thanksgiving*
- ✓ *Dec 1, 2024 – Genesis Ch 1 D & 2 A*
- *Dec 8, 2024 – Carroll Springer teaching (vacation)*
- ***Dec 15, 2024 – Christmas Lesson 1***
 - *Manor Lake – Daniel Ch 5*
- ***Dec 22, 2024 – Christmas Lesson 2***
- ***Dec 29, 2024 – Resume Genesis study***

Quick Update ...ICYMI

Middle East

- 60-Day **Cease-Fire** in War between Hezbollah and Israel – brokered by the US/ Pressure...conditions apply
- Mixed Support in Israel, looking for Hostage release deal with Hamas
- Already Hezbollah violations, slow UN support, Israel reacting w force
- Israel counting down the days until the new US Administration
- Israel still waiting for Defense Ammunition from the US...delays
- Syrian Rebels (against Syrian Govt, Russia, and Iran) are taking huge areas perceiving that Hezbollah/Iran are weak

US/World

- Trump begins discussions with Mexico and Canada on border actions
- They complain but say they are ready to help. Both leaders working w Trump
- Drone swarms flying over US Air bases in Europe
- Biden taking actions to protect programs and spending commitments
- Trump Appointees and Cabinet Nominees receiving violence threats
- BORDER issues with Mexico front and center for new Border Czar Tom Homan
 - Already working with the Texas Governor on actions to be taken on Jan 20th

Day 6 – The Final Day of Creation

God Creates Land Animals

24** And God said, “Let the land produce **living** creatures according to their kinds: the **livestock**, the **creatures that move along the ground**, and the **wild animals**, each according to its kind.” **And it was so.

25 God made the wild animals according to their kinds, the livestock according to their kinds, and all the creatures that move along the ground according to their kinds.

And God saw that it was good.

Other thoughts...

- *Day 6 – Land Animals include: (animals with blood)*
 - *Cattle (domesticable animals) – Sheep/Goats/horses, etc.*
 - *Wild Animals – Lions/ Tigers/ Wolves/ Dinosaurs...all those who cannot be domesticated...aka: "beasts of the earth" , "Leviathans"*
 - *Animals that creep or move across the ground – Small animals, mice, lizards, snakes, dogs, cats, etc.*
- *God "**made them**" rather than "**created- Bara**" them. This is because He formed them from the existent elements, and He had already created the **Nephesh**, so it was included without creating from nothing*
- *While these 3 categories of land animals do not fit the human-created taxonomy of biology, they do represent the totality of animals*

Now Day continues with the crown of creation...

Gen 1:26-31 God Creates Mankind

*²⁶ Then God said, “Let **us** make mankind in **our** image, in our likeness, so that they may rule over the fish in the sea and the birds in the sky, over the livestock and all the wild animals, and over all the creatures that move along the ground.”*

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

(Adam – mankind, Ish – Male, Ishah-Female)

²⁸ God blessed them and said to them, “Be fruitful and increase in number; fill the earth and subdue it. Rule over the fish in the sea and the birds in the sky and over every living creature that moves on the ground.”

²⁹ Then God said, “I give you every seed-bearing plant on the face of the whole earth and every tree that has fruit with seed in it. They will be yours for food.

³⁰ And to all the beasts of the earth and all the birds in the sky and all the creatures that move along the ground—everything that has the breath of life in it—I give every green plant for food.” And it was so.

*³¹ God saw **all that he had made**, and it was **very good**. And there was evening, and there was morning—the sixth day.*

Let's take these verses a few at a time...

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*God (Elohim) speaks to **himself** (plural, and not Angels) and creates Mankind in His own image, but what is that? God is Spirit. God creates mankind with an intangible characteristic that allows man to rule, take dominion, care for, and put higher-order things ahead of himself. He has the capacity to see evil and do good and to recognize and accept God. This is the difference between Man and Animal.*

Created with instructions and blessings...

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God blesses the man and woman and gives them instructions to propagate, fill the earth, and subdue it. This surviving and thriving, and subduing and ruling would be the work of man. Note: both the animals and man survive by eating plants and fruit. No meat is given as food.

God finishes His Work

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*Now God takes a look at everything He has created and made in its entirety
And declared it Exceedingly Good. This statement provides us with a few things that
come with it. It also suggests a uniform “day” with both evening and morning.*

*After creating everything... it was deemed good, even very good which answers the
following thoughts*

- **No death** has yet appeared
- **No violence** has yet appeared
- **Satan** is created but **is still good**
- **No Evil** has reared its ugly head
- **All is good and as the Lord intended it to be...**

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- *Speaks to Land to create grasses and trees, which are the creation's source.*
- *Speaks to the Sea to create sea creatures and the Sea is the source of the fish, and He adds “Life”*
- *Speaks to the Land and Sea to create Animals and Birds and they are the source of them, and He adds “Life” or Nephesh*
- *Now God speaks to Himself to create Mankind and God is the source of this creation, and he adds “the Image of God” in his creation in addition to “Life”.*
- ***Thoughts: Remaining in the Source is important*** **[VIDEO](#)**
- *If we remove Trees from the Earth what happens to them?*
- *If we remove Fish from the water, what happens to them?*
- *If we remove mankind from God, what happens to us?*
- *God IS our natural Environment, and when we are disconnected from Him, we perish*

Gen 2:1-3 God Rests from His Work

2 Thus the heavens and the earth were completed in all their vast array.

2 By the seventh day God had finished the work he had been doing; so on the seventh day, he rested from all his work.

*3 Then God **blessed the seventh day and made it holy**, because on it he rested from all the work of creating that he had done.*

All of the Heavens, Stars, Galaxies, and the Earth were finished as God intended them, and they were Good. These were completed in the 6 days of creation, and God rested on the 7th day. God was not tired, but He rested because His work was done. He blessed the completion of His work and **set apart** a day for rest.

We end the first Chapter thoughts at Gen 2:3

In the remainder of Chapter 2, we will study:

The Creation of Man

- *The Geography of Eden*
- *The Moral Choice*
- *Man, and the Animals*
- *Flesh of my Flesh*

This chapter begins a more detailed discussion of the next key items...

- *Chapter 3 – The Fall of Man*
- *Chapters 4 & 5 – The Lost World*

Gen 2:4-6 *In the beginning, it was different*

⁴ This is the account of the heavens and the earth when they were created, when the Lord God (Jehovah Elohim) made the earth and the heavens.

⁵ Now no shrub(herbs) had yet appeared on the earth/Land and no plant had **yet sprung up**, for the Lord God had not sent rain on the earth and there was no one to work the ground,

⁶ but streams/mists came up from the earth and watered the whole surface of the ground.

This begins what was probably the first oral tradition that was written down by Moses

Gen 2:7-9 Man and the Garden of Eden

⁷ **Then** the Lord God formed a man from the dust of the ground and **breathed into his nostrils the breath of life**, and the man **became a living being**.

⁸ Now the **Lord God had planted a garden** in the east (or before), in **Eden**; and there he put the man he had formed.

⁹ The Lord God made all kinds of trees grow out of the ground—trees that were pleasing to the eye and good for food. In the middle of the garden were the **tree of life** and the **tree of the knowledge of good and Evil**.

Evil => Heb word Ra'/ Roa' = things that are not good. Word often used in the OT and translated = Evil, unpleasant, bad, hurtful...

Knowledge of Good and Evil is a sense of understanding that not all things are good or good for us and is a discernment not given to animals. This knowledge is for God, but is a choice for mankind.

Gen 2:10-14 Some Identifiers for Eden's location

¹⁰ A river watering the garden flowed from Eden; from there it was separated into four headwaters.

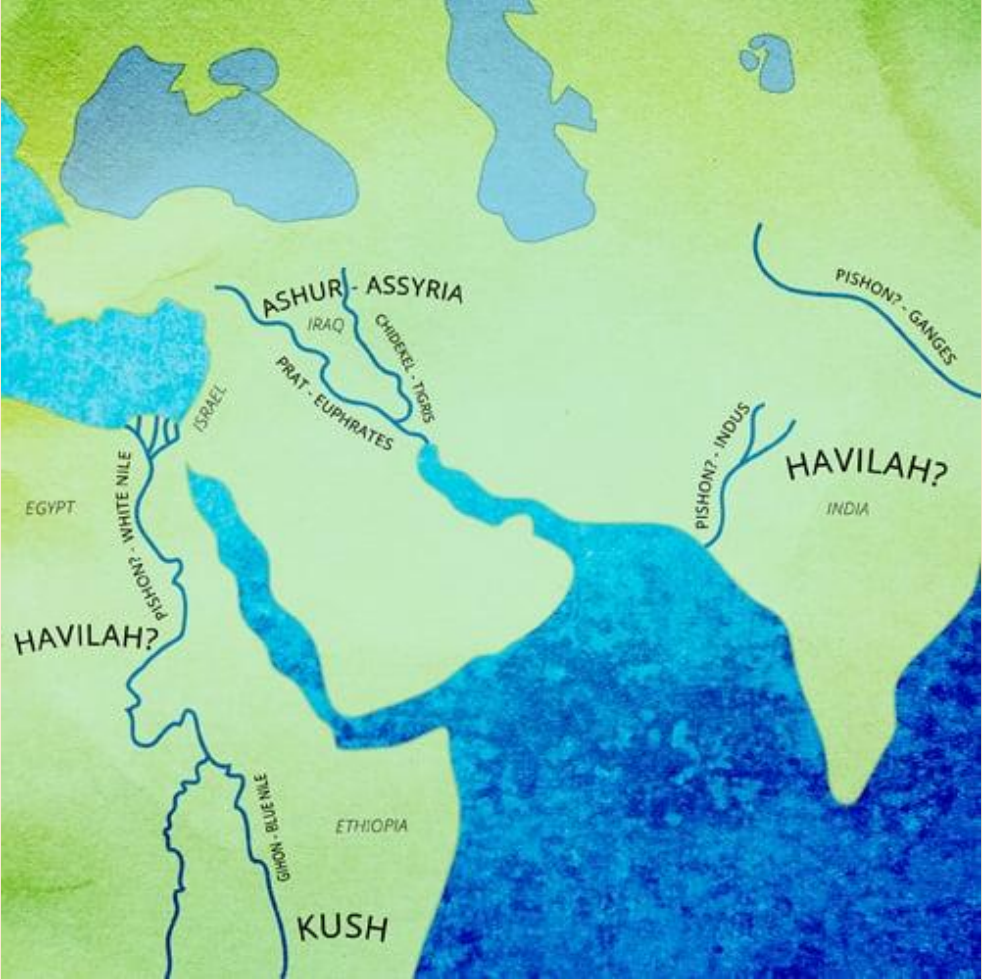
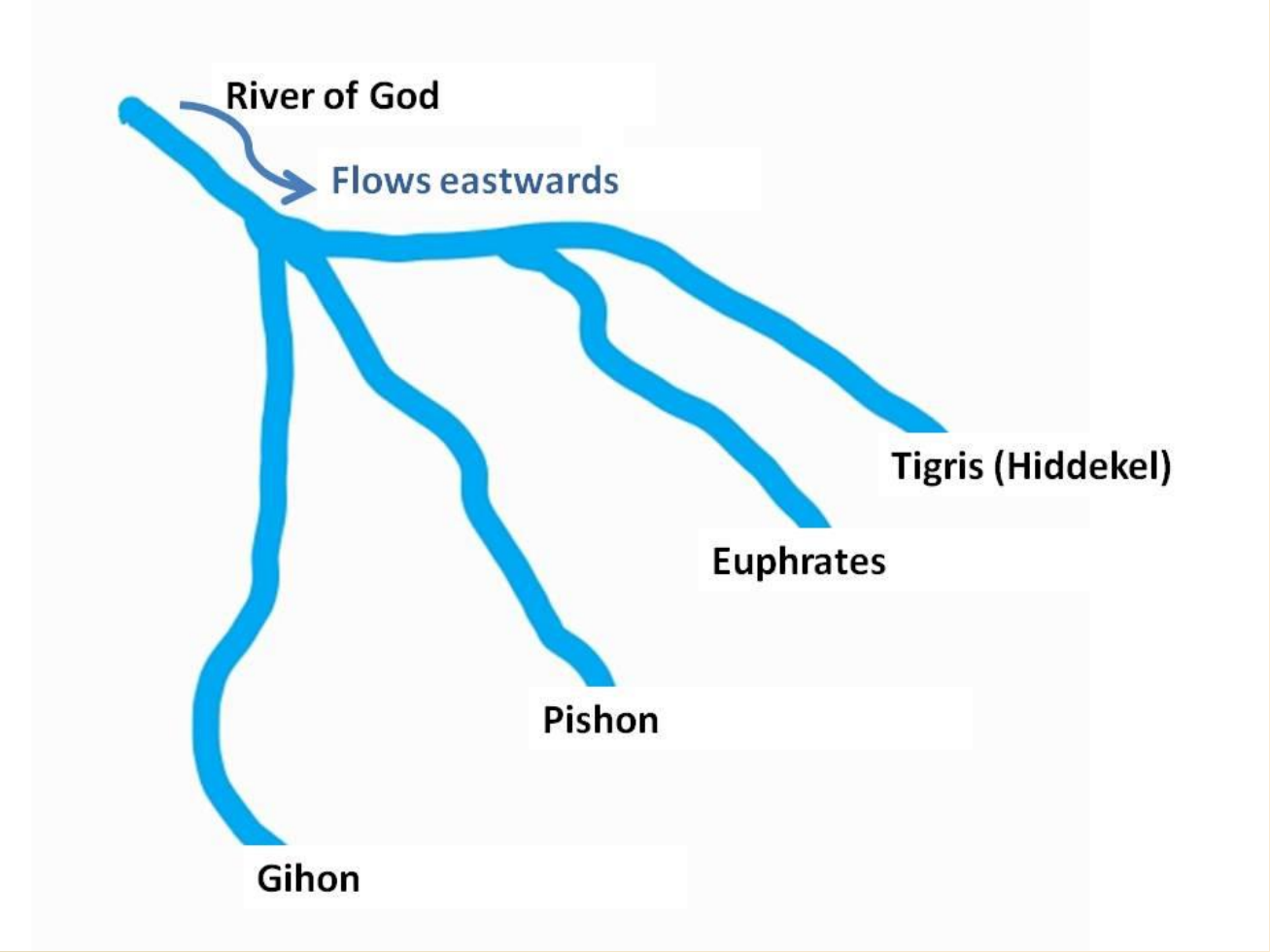
*¹¹ The name of the first is the **Pishon**; it winds through the entire land of Havilah, where there is gold.*

¹² (The gold of that land is good; aromatic resin/pearls and onyx are also there.) (Gold, Bdellium, and Onyx)

*¹³ The name of the second river is the **Gihon**; it winds through the entire land of Cush.*

*¹⁴ The name of the third river is the **Tigris**; it runs along the east side of Ashur. And the fourth river is the **Euphrates**.*

Rivers in Genesis



Pishon, Gihan, Euphrates, Tigris

Gen 2:15-17 The Man in the Garden

*¹⁵ The Lord God took **the man** and put him in the **Garden of Eden** to **work it and take care of it.***

¹⁶ And the Lord God commanded the man, “You are free to eat from any tree in the garden;

¹⁷ but you must not eat from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, for when you eat from it you will certainly die.”

We will pick up here next time we meet in Genesis.

Next time, we will Pickup where we left off

- *Pray for the US, Israel, and the Peace of Jerusalem*
- *Pray for the cease fire to hold, and no new escalations*
- *Pray for our leaders – present and future*
- *Pray for First Redeemer Pastors, staff, teachers, and all who lead*
- *Pray for your family and friends inside and outside the church.*
- *Pray for each other earnestly and often*
- *Be thankful that God has placed you **in this day and time** and commit **your** will ...to doing **His** Will.*
- *Pray for an outpouring of the Holy Spirit to fill the land*
- *Come back next week to support Carroll as he teaches us.*