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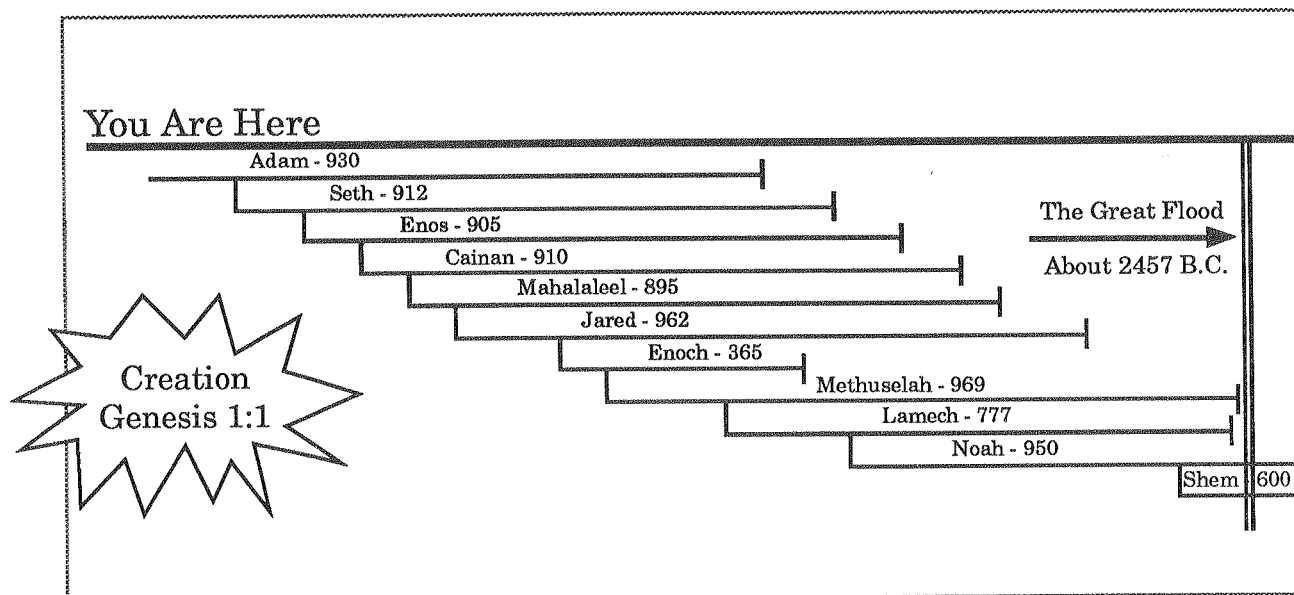
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The Creation

Lesson #1



Lesson Goal: To understand that man was created in the image of God.

Background Text: Genesis 1-2

Memory Verse: In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth. Genesis 1:1

This is a very beautiful and great world in which we live. It extends much further than we can see, further indeed than we can even think. Have you ever examined the night sky and tried to count the stars, or walked along the beach and guessed how many grains of sand were under your feet? Have you ever sat under a shady tree and made pictures out of the big, fluffy clouds that drifted by? When we look at the world it seems big compared to our small bodies. However, that does not make us any less important to God.

We are special to God because Genesis 1:26 says, "Let us make man in our image, after our likeness." Do you know what "image" means in this verse? "Image" means that man was created in the likeness of God: to rule creation, to be intelligent, and to have a personality; but most importantly, man was created to have a soul. Man is different

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from the plants, animals, or any other created thing, because he has a soul. With our souls we can trust, worship, and glorify God.

Ephesians 1:4 explains that God chose us before the foundation of the world. It is amazing to think that God knew everything about us even before heaven and earth were created. God knew what we would like and dislike, what the color of our hair would be, where we would live, and everything else. Since God made us and knows all there is to know about us, we can have confidence that He will guide and protect us. With this understanding we should do all we can to please and glorify our all-knowing Lord.

When God created the universe, He did not labor at it, as we would in building a house. He simply spoke the word and it happened. There are many people today who do not believe in God. They teach that it took billions of years for plants, animals, and humans to evolve and become what they are today. This belief is wrong because the Bible does not teach this. Although we may not understand how it happened, we can believe through faith that our Lord is the creator of the universe and that we were made in His image.

Questions:

1. What did God make in each of the six days of creation?

Day 1: (Genesis 1:3-5) _____

Day 2: (Genesis 1:6-8) _____

Day 3: (Genesis 1:9-13) _____

Day 4: (Genesis 1:14-19) _____

Day 5: (Genesis 1:20-22) _____

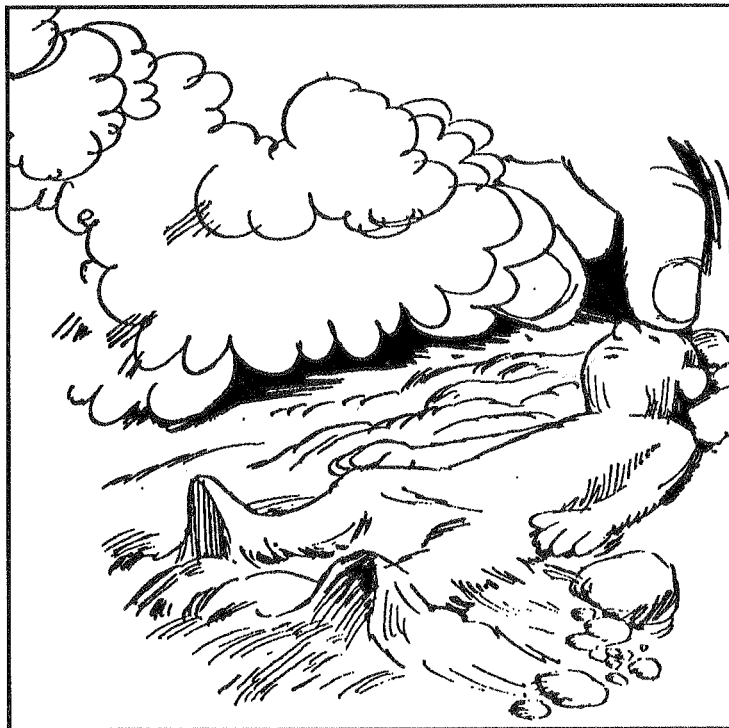
Day 6: (Genesis 1:24-27) _____

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2. What did God do on the seventh day? (Genesis 2:2-3) _____

3. What went up from the earth? (Genesis 2:6) _____

4. What was the name of the garden in which Adam and Eve lived? (Genesis 2:8) _____



5. What two trees were in the midst of the garden? (Genesis 2:9) _____

6. What were the names of the four rivers that flowed out of the garden? (Genesis 2:10-14) _____

7. What was the first job God gave Adam to do? (Genesis 2:15) _____

8. Of what tree was man not to eat? (Genesis 2:17) _____

9. Why did God give Adam a helper? (Genesis 2:18-20) _____

10. What did God take from Adam to make Eve? (Genesis 2:22) _____

Thought Questions:

1. What does it mean to glorify God? _____

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2. What special talents and abilities do you have that you can use to glorify God? _____

Supplemental Exercise: Find and circle the words listed in the word search puzzle. Words may be forward, backward, horizontal, vertical, or diagonal.

Adam	Creation	Eden	God	Rested	Tigris
Animals	Dust	Eve	Light	Rib	Tree Of Life
Birds	Earth	Garden	Plants		

A	C	G	O	D	X	D	E	T	S	E	R	W
N	B	E	A	G	J	M	P	B	T	U	X	Z
I	A	D	F	R	H	J	Y	R	I	B	Q	V
M	U	O	S	R	D	Z	E	O	G	R	P	M
A	J	H	T	R	A	E	K	L	R	P	D	O
L	N	D	N	S	O	A	N	Q	I	W	U	S
S	E	B	A	F	T	R	U	S	S	Y	S	N
Q	D	P	L	I	G	H	T	I	E	O	T	A
D	E	I	P	S	L	K	D	E	J	F	D	N
A	F	N	B	V	C	X	V	S	K	A	S	L
E	N	O	I	T	A	E	R	C	M	W	I	M

GENESIS 1:1

