**Genesis 1**

**1**In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth. **2**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.

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

**6**And God said, “Let there be an expanse[[a](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Genesis%201&version=ESV#fen-ESV-6a)] in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters.” **7**And God made[[b](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Genesis%201&version=ESV#fen-ESV-7b)] the expanse and separated the waters that were under the expanse from the waters that were above the expanse. And it was so. **8**And God called the expanse Heaven.[[c](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Genesis%201&version=ESV#fen-ESV-8c)] And there was evening and there was morning, the second day.

**9**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. **10**God called the dry land Earth,[[d](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Genesis%201&version=ESV#fen-ESV-10d)] and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas. And God saw that it was good.

**11**And God said, “Let the earth sprout vegetation, plants[[e](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Genesis%201&version=ESV#fen-ESV-11e)] yielding seed, and fruit trees bearing fruit in which is their seed, each according to its kind, on the earth.” And it was so. **12**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. **13**And there was evening and there was morning, the third day.

**14**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,[[f](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Genesis%201&version=ESV#fen-ESV-14f)] and for days and years, **15**and let them be lights in the expanse of the heavens to give light upon the earth.” And it was so. **16**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. **17**And God set them in the expanse of the heavens to give light on the earth, **18**to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. **19**And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day.

**20**And God said, “Let the waters swarm with swarms of living creatures, and let birds[[g](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Genesis%201&version=ESV#fen-ESV-20g)] fly above the earth across the expanse of the heavens.” **21**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. **22**And God blessed them, saying, “Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth.” **23**And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth day.

**24**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. **25**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.

**26**Then God said, “Let us make man[[h](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Genesis%201&version=ESV#fen-ESV-26h)] in our image, after our likeness. And let them have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over the livestock and over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth.”

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

**28**And God blessed them. And God said to them, “Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth and subdue it, and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over every living thing that moves on the earth.” **29**And God said, “Behold, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is on the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit. You shall have them for food. **30**And to every beast of the earth and to every bird of the heavens and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food.” And it was so. **31**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.

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**Genesis 2:7-18; 21-23**

**7**then the Lord God formed the man of dust from the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, and the man became a living creature. **8**And the Lord God planted a garden in Eden, in the east, and there he put the man whom he had formed. **9**And out of the ground the Lord God made to spring up every tree that is pleasant to the sight and good for food. The tree of life was in the midst of the garden, and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.

**10**A river flowed out of Eden to water the garden, and there it divided and became four rivers. **11**The name of the first is the Pishon. It is the one that flowed around the whole land of Havilah, where there is gold. **12**And the gold of that land is good; bdellium and onyx stone are there. **13**The name of the second river is the Gihon. It is the one that flowed around the whole land of Cush. **14**And the name of the third river is the Tigris, which flows east of Assyria. And the fourth river is the Euphrates.

**15**The Lord God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to work it and keep it. **16**And the Lord God commanded the man, saying, “You may surely eat of every tree of the garden, **17**but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat[[d](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Genesis+2&version=ESV#fen-ESV-48d)] of it you shall surely die.”

**18**Then the Lord God said, “It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper fit for[[e](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Genesis+2&version=ESV#fen-ESV-49e)] him.”

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**21**So the Lord God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and while he slept took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. **22**And the rib that the Lord God had taken from the man he made[[h](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Genesis+2&version=ESV#fen-ESV-53h)] into a woman and brought her to the man. **23**Then the man said,

“This at last is bone of my bones  
    and flesh of my flesh;  
she shall be called Woman,  
    because she was taken out of Man.”

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**24**Therefore a man shall leave his father and his mother and hold fast to his wife, and they shall become one flesh. **25**And the man and his wife were both naked and were not ashamed.

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**Genesis 6:11-22**

**11**Now the earth was corrupt in God's sight, and the earth was filled with violence. **12**And God saw the earth, and behold, it was corrupt, for all flesh had corrupted their way on the earth. **13**And God said to Noah, “I have determined to make an end of all flesh,[[c](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Genesis+6&version=ESV#fen-ESV-151c)] for the earth is filled with violence through them. Behold, I will destroy them with the earth. **14**Make yourself an ark of gopher wood.[[d](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Genesis+6&version=ESV#fen-ESV-152d)] Make rooms in the ark, and cover it inside and out with pitch. **15**This is how you are to make it: the length of the ark 300 cubits,[[e](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Genesis+6&version=ESV#fen-ESV-153e)] its breadth 50 cubits, and its height 30 cubits. **16**Make a roof[[f](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Genesis+6&version=ESV#fen-ESV-154f)] for the ark, and finish it to a cubit above, and set the door of the ark in its side. Make it with lower, second, and third decks. **17**For behold, I will bring a flood of waters upon the earth to destroy all flesh in which is the breath of life under heaven. Everything that is on the earth shall die. **18**But I will establish my covenant with you, and you shall come into the ark, you, your sons, your wife, and your sons' wives with you. **19**And of every living thing of all flesh, you shall bring two of every sort into the ark to keep them alive with you. They shall be male and female. **20**Of the birds according to their kinds, and of the animals according to their kinds, of every creeping thing of the ground, according to its kind, two of every sort shall come in to you to keep them alive. **21**Also take with you every sort of food that is eaten, and store it up. It shall serve as food for you and for them.” **22**Noah did this; he did all that God commanded him.

**Genesis 7:11; 17-24**

**11**In the six hundredth year of Noah's life, in the second month, on the seventeenth day of the month, on that day all the fountains of the great deep burst forth, and the windows of the heavens were opened.

**17**The flood continued forty days on the earth. The waters increased and bore up the ark, and it rose high above the earth. **18**The waters prevailed and increased greatly on the earth, and the ark floated on the face of the waters. **19**And the waters prevailed so mightily on the earth that all the high mountains under the whole heaven were covered. **20**The waters prevailed above the mountains, covering them fifteen cubits[[d](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Genesis+7&version=ESV#fen-ESV-180d)] deep. **21**And all flesh died that moved on the earth, birds, livestock, beasts, all swarming creatures that swarm on the earth, and all mankind. **22**Everything on the dry land in whose nostrils was the breath of life died. **23**He blotted out every living thing that was on the face of the ground, man and animals and creeping things and birds of the heavens. They were blotted out from the earth. Only Noah was left, and those who were with him in the ark. **24**And the waters prevailed on the earth 150 days.

**Genesis 8:1-5;20-22**

**8**But God remembered Noah and all the beasts and all the livestock that were with him in the ark. And God made a wind blow over the earth, and the waters subsided. **2**The fountains of the deep and the windows of the heavens were closed, the rain from the heavens was restrained, **3**and the waters receded from the earth continually. At the end of 150 days the waters had abated, **4**and in the seventh month, on the seventeenth day of the month, the ark came to rest on the mountains of Ararat. **5**And the waters continued to abate until the tenth month; in the tenth month, on the first day of the month, the tops of the mountains were seen.

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**20**Then Noah built an altar to the Lord and took some of every clean animal and some of every clean bird and offered burnt offerings on the altar. **21**And when the Lord smelled the pleasing aroma, the Lord said in his heart, “I will never again curse[[a](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Genesis%208&version=ESV#fen-ESV-205a)] the ground because of man, for the intention of man's heart is evil from his youth. Neither will I ever again strike down every living creature as I have done. **22**While the earth remains, seedtime and harvest, cold and heat, summer and winter, day and night, shall not cease.”

**Genesis 9:8-17**

**8**Then God said to Noah and to his sons with him, **9**“Behold, I establish my covenant with you and your offspring after you, **10**and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the livestock, and every beast of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark; it is for every beast of the earth. **11**I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of the flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth.” **12**And God said, “This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: **13**I have set my bow in the cloud, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. **14**When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, **15**I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh. And the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. **16**When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth.” **17**God said to Noah, “This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth.”

**Exodus 20:11** For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, and rested on the seventh day. Therefore the Lord blessed the Sabbath day and made it holy.

**Exodus 31:17** It is a sign forever between me and the people of Israel that in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, and on the seventh day he rested and was refreshed.

**2 Peter 3:3-7** knowing this first of all, that scoffers will come in the last days with scoffing, following their own sinful desires. **4**They will say, “Where is the promise of his coming? For ever since the fathers fell asleep, all things are continuing as they were from the beginning of creation.” **5**For they deliberately overlook this fact, that the heavens existed long ago, and the earth was formed out of water and through water by the word of God, **6**and that by means of these the world that then existed was deluged with water and perished. **7**But by the same word the heavens and earth that now exist are stored up for fire, being kept until the day of judgment and destruction of the ungodly.