

## Old Testament Survey #2 – Genesis 1-11

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**Genesis Part 1:** (Chapters 1-11) From Creation Week to the sojourn of Israel in Egypt & Joseph's death (2360 years total).

A. Gen. 1-2 give 2 distinct creation accounts:

1. Gen. 1:1-2:3 Moses reproduced in writing the **oldest historical oral tradition** of the **PERFECT CREATION** handed down through Seth's descendants, Noah, Abraham, Isaac, & Jacob.

a. Gen. 1 "*evening and morning*" = 24-hour days

b. Gen. 1:5 "day 1" (cardinal #) vs. 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> (ordinal #s)

c. Exod. 20:11 The 6 days + Sabbath Rest is literal

d. Gen. 1:28 mankind's destiny to rule the earthly domain (Ps. 8 & Heb. 2)

2. Gen. 2:4-25 The **second account** was by divine inspiration, adapted specifically for Israel, intended to explain God's original intent for humanity, marriage, the moral obligation to God, & the first commandments.

a. Gen. 2:7 Mankind: Dust + breath of life from God = living soul

B. Gen. 3 Creation spoiled, sin, death & curse (Rom. 5:12-21 & Rom. 8:18-25).

1. Gen. 3:17-19 God commanded **the man** (2:15-17), held **him** alone responsible

2. Punishment for the man's sin: sweat and toil in labor, return to dust

3. Punishment of the woman: pain in childbirth, husband rules over her

4. The coverings of animal skins illustrates:

a. That sin & human shame needs a covering

b. That blood must be shed to accomplish it.

5. Gen. 3:15 The first prophecy of Jesus Christ & His ultimate victory over Satan

C. Gen. 4 Cain & Abel: Moses explains worship acceptable to God:

1. It must be consistent with God's specified requirements:

2. Improvising will not be accepted.

3. The shedding of the lamb's blood prefigured Christ.

4. Cain murdered his brother and refuses to repent (the wicked always persecute the just, cf. 1 John 3:11-12)

5. Cain's genealogy (4:16-24), ultimately producing another murderer

6. Birth of Seth, **the first covenant people of God**. Seth "*began to call to himself the name of the LORD*" (v. 26); "*trusted to call to himself the name of the LORD*" (LXX).

D. Gen. 5 Genealogy of Seth and his descendants "*called by the name of the LORD*"

E. Gen. 6-8 The Great Flood and its cause, the "*sons of God*" (Seth's descendants) began to take pagan wives and produce wicked tyrants.

F. Gen. 9 The Noahic Covenant, prophecies about Noah's 3 sons

G. Gen. 10 Genealogies of Noah's sons and the origins of the nations that existed when Israel came out of Egypt, esp. those nations living in Canaan which Israel was to conquer and dispossess.

H. Gen. 11 The Tower of Babel & genealogy of Noah's son Shem down to Abraham.