

Series "In The Beginning...God"
Days 2 & 3: The Creation of The Sea, Air, Land & Plants
Genesis 1:6-13
Study-3

N.L.T. Psalm 89:11

Genesis 1:1 Genesis – the book of origins, book of beginnings.

There were 3 spheres of activities: Each one of these were filled with the appropriate dwellers.

1. The Heavens
2. Landmasses
3. Waters

The Thought Of Our Passage: God Has Purpose And Design In Which He Created; Water, Atmosphere, Oxygen, Land And Plants To Sustain All Life.

1. Verses 6-8 The Second Day

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1. Verses 6-8 The Second Day:

Genesis 1:6 Then God said, Context – God created light – **Genesis 1:3-5**

The initial universe was created by the will and purpose of God, **Revelation 4:11**

Then God said, God simply stating what He did!

The Expanse: "Let there be an expanse literally – *"thin, stretched-out space, extended surface, firmament"* **in the midst of the waters** Up to this point there was water above the earth and water on the earth. (Earth's breathable atmosphere) **Genesis 1:8 God called the expanse heaven.** Meaning "Space," region of space depending upon the context. (God's throne, atmosphere, the stars)

Genesis 1:20 birds fly above the earth in the open expanse of the heavens."

Genesis 1:15-17

let it separate the waters from the waters." making a separation with water.

Genesis 2:5-6; 2 Peter 3:5

Genesis 1:7 God separated the light from the darkness and now separates the water above from the water below.

We will see that God separates.

1:4 Light from darkness

6-8 God separates water above from the water beneath.

9-10 The land from the water.

from the waters which were above the expanse; and it was so. There was some sort of vaporous blanket. These were used later to flood the earth.

Heaven - Outer Space (moon, sun, stars) **Isaiah 13:10**

Heaven - Atmosphere where birds fly (blue skies) **Jeremiah 4:25**

Heaven - God's throne Hebrews 9:24 3rd heaven **2 Corinthians 12**

Psalm 148:3-4 the waters that are above the heavens!

2 Peter 3:5 the earth was formed out of water and by water,

Hydrological Cycle rain, evaporation, rain.

Earth was very green. We know this based on the fossils that are found and the carbon that we have on earth as a result of the flood and the fossils that were created.

Water filtered the sun. Earth was subtropical, the habitat earth today is much different from when God created it.

Genesis 1:8 God called the expanse heaven. The word **expanse** – firmament "*to break out*" It is like a dome or covering. **heaven** – over **400 times** in Scripture. Word **heaven** – plural "*heavens*" because it is used in different ways.

Note that God does not say, "**It was good!**" God says it each day except between Days 2 & 3, Days 2 & 3 go together.

God created the angels. **Exodus 20:11 Colossians 1:16**

2. Verses 9-13 The Third Day:

Genesis 1:9 let the dry land appear"; and it was so. Up to this point in creation the earth was "formless and empty," a blob of watery mass.

Planet earth is the perfect place, there is no other place

Verses 9-10 God Creates The Land: Then God said, 10 times the creation is the result of God speaking, creates.

"Let the waters below the heavens be gathered into one place, There is but one sea, now after the flood the land breaks up the water.

and let the dry land appear”; and it was so. Land now appears, pushed up. The land could be one large continent with several seas. Fertile, silt, sand, nutrients.

Psalm 104:5-9

Gravity, we don’t full grasp it. The earth is turning things should fling out.

Colossians 1:17 and in Him all things hold together.

Hebrews 1:3 and upholds all things by the word of His power.

Genesis 1:10 Job 38:4-11

God’s Wisdom: Proverbs 8:27-29

and God saw that it was good. 6 times “was good” 4, 10,12,17,21,25, 31.

Verses 11-13 God Created Vegetation: Genesis 1:11

Now God switches from order to fulness. **Then God said, 10 times** this is stated. **The earth is now ready for life:** Water, land, space, light, oxygen.

“Let the earth sprout vegetation, or *“produce, earth green up”* a literal could say, *“Then God said, earth, grow (sprout, produce) grass!”*

Evolution teaches the opposite – Plant life began with marine organisms and then mutated to the land 100’s of millions of years earlier. **Genesis 1:11**

Grass/Ground Covering: sprout vegetation, living organism, Grass – essentially all ground-covering vegetation.

Herbs/Bushes, Shrubs: plants yielding seed, Herbs – would apply to all bushes and shrubs.

Trees: and fruit trees on the earth bearing fruit Trees – probably includes all large woody plants.

Genesis 1:30

We obtain food from animals; animals obtain their food from plants or other animals. Ultimately our food comes from plants.

Air actually has weight - **Job 28:25 “When He imparted weight to the wind**

after their kind 10 times in **Genesis 1** used **7 times** speaking of the animals in Noah’s flood, **13 times** in **Leviticus** and **Deuteronomy**. **Kind** – *“category of*

related organisms capable of breeding with one another” Plant life that multiply through the DNA in the seeds. DNA boundary!

Evolution – teaches that other kinds, which are incapable of breeding, breed and the outcome is new kinds!

with seed in them”; and it was so. (Botanists say 4-7 classifications for all plants)

seed – DNA with genetic code. (Variation within the code) An apple tree will never produce oranges, rose bush will never sprout petunias. **Luke 6:44**

Observational Science observes that each plant reproduces after its own kind.

Natural Selection – natural processes do not select anything, it is a buzz term to attempt to push God out of intelligent design. Animals do adapt but it is within their kind.

Great variations within a kind, but one kind can never change into a totally different kind!

after their kind, 10 times Genesis 1 This says nothing about evolution. That God sets limits on reproduction.

Genesis 1:12 The earth brought forth vegetation, plants, covers all plants on earth.

and trees bearing fruit, this covers all trees. **with seed in them, after their kind;** It was God who made the plants fertile.

Genesis 1:13 There was evening and there was morning, a third day.

Application:

1. Belief In The God Of Creation Results In “Our Identify” (Who We Are), “Our Purpose” (Why Am I Here), “Our Future” (Where Am I Going After I Die?).
2. **Psalm 33:6-8** In Response To God’s Creation Of The Heavens And The Earth And All Life. We Should See God’s Goodness, We Should Fear The Lord And Be In Awe Of Him, And Worship Him.