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Heaven & Earth

The first chapters of Genesis are crafted to convey the key truths about God, the world, and mankind.

1:1-13

What did God create on days 1-3? What are some repeated words in this passage?

1:14-23

What did God create on days 4-5? What did God think of his creation at the end of each day?

1:24-31

What purpose did God give humans (see verse 28)?

1:14-19

What purpose did God give the sun and moon?

1:28-31

What purpose did God give plants (see verses 29-30)?

2:1-3

What do you think it means for a day to be "holy"?

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Male & Female

The last and chief of God's creations was mankind - who had a specific purpose on the earth.

1:26-27, 2:7

How did God create us different from animals according to these verses?

1:26-28, 2:15

What do these verses tell us about humanity's purpose on earth?

1:26-31

What do you think it means to be made in God's image?

2:18-25

What was Eve's relationship to Adam (see verse 18)?

2:15-24

What do you think the "helper" Eve was meant to do (see verses 15, 18, 24)?

2:8-24

What can we learn about God from the way he provided for humans in this passage?

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Scripture Memory

3

Paradise Lost

Though God made the world good, something happened in Eden to introduce sin into it.

3:1-7

What did Eve say would happen if she ate the fruit of "the tree"? What did the serpent say?

3:7-13

Why do you think Adam and Eve wanted to hide from God?

3:7-13

Who did Adam blame, and who did Eve blame (see verses 12-13)?

3:14-15

Summarize God's punishment to the serpent.

3:16-19

Name one thing that would change for Eve, and one thing for Adam - as a result of their sin.

3:20-24

What special thing did God do for Adam and Eve before sending them out of Eden (see verse 21)?

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Scripture Memory

4

Line of Cain

The tragic path of Cain and his descendants show us what life is like when one rejects God and his rule.

4:1-7

Why was Cain angry? What did God say in response, in verse 7?

4:8-9

Why do you think Cain answered God the way he did in verse 9?

4:10-16

What did God do to Cain because of his sin?

4:10-16

What did God do to protect Cain (see verse 15)?

4:17-24

What is something in this passage that shows humans' separation from God (see verses 19, 23-24)?

4:1-26

Give this passage your own title.

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Scripture Memory

5

Line of Seth

In contrast to the line of Cain, the line of Seth - though still born in sin - represented the people of God.

4:25-26

What did people do that was different than the behavior of Cain and his descendants (see verse 26)?

5:1-5

How is Seth described in relation to Adam in verse 3?

5:5-31

What happened to all of the men mentioned in verses 5, 8, 11, 14, 17, 20, 27, and 31?

Hebrews 11:5-6

What does this passage say happened to Enoch?

Hebrews 11:5-7

What does this passage say that Enoch and Noah did that pleased God?

5:28-32

What does Lamech expect of Noah? (see verse 29)?

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Scripture Memory

6

The Flood

The effect of sin continued to expand in the world until it reached a crisis - one that God solved with the flood.

6:1-8

How is mankind described in verse 5?

6:9-22

How was Noah different from the world (see verse 9)?
What does it mean to be "blameless"?

6:13-7:5

God establishes a covenant with Noah in verse 18. What is a covenant (feel free to ask or look it up)?

Hebrews 11:1-7

How did Noah demonstrate his faith in God?

7:6-16

Who was it that shut the ark after Noah's family and the animals entered (see verse 16)?

Hebrews 11:1-7

Noah is described in this passage to have had fear. What type of fear was it? What do you think that means?

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7

Covenant of Noah

The end of the flood represented a new beginning for humans - for which God gives a covenant promise.

8:1-5

What did God do in verse 1? Had he "forgotten" about Noah?

8:6-19

What was God's command to Noah and the animals (see verses 16-17)?

8:20-22

What does God promise to not do ever again (see verse 21)?

9:1-6

What part of the body represents its "life" (see verse 4)?

9:1-6

God states that the punishment for murder is death. Why is this (see end of verse 6)?

9:7-17

How, specifically, will God not destroy the world in the future (compare 8:21 to 9:11)?

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Scripture Memory

Even though mankind had received a new beginning after the flood, the problem of sin still existed in the world.

9:18-29

What was sinful about what Ham did in verse 22?

10:1-32

What are some names you recognize from this genealogy?

11:1-4

What did the people want to "make for themselves" (see verse 4)? What does this mean?

11:1-4

What did the people want to avoid (see verse 4)?

11:5-9

Why did God confuse the peoples' languages (see verse 6)?

11:5-9 (ESV)

What is dangerous about "nothing being impossible for mankind"?

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Scripture Memory

9

Abram's Call

God's call to Abram starts the beginning of the second part of Genesis that follows a single family all the way to Egypt.

12:1-9

What was the command that God gave Abram (see verse 1)?

12:1-9

Who would be the one to "make a name" for Abram (see verse 2)?

12:10-16

What plan did Abram come up with to protect himself in Egypt?

12:17-20

What happened to Pharaoh's house when they took Sarai?

12:1-3

When Abram made his own plans in verses 10-16, was he trusting what God said in verses 1-3? Why or why not?

Hebrews 8:11

What did Abram do that showed faith/trust in God?

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Abram and Lot

The differences between Abram and Lot give us a good example of what it means to follow God versus following the world.

13:1-4

What did Abram do at the place he had built an altar to God (see verse 4)?

13:5-7

Why couldn't Abram and Lot live on the same land (see verse 6)?

13:8-13

Why did Lot choose the Jordan Valley (see verse 10)?
What was the danger of moving there (see verse 13)?

13:14-18

Who chose the land that Abram would settle in?

14:1-16

What happened to Lot when he was living in Sodom (see verse 12)?

14:17-24

Why did Abram refuse to share the spoils with the king of Sodom (see verse 23)?

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Scripture Memory

Covenant of Abram

God's selection of Abram from the entire world to be the father of his people was established with covenant promises.

15:1-3

God tells Abram to not be afraid. What might Abram be tempted to fear (see verses 2-3)?

15:1-3

How had God already rewarded and protected Abram (see previous sections)?

15:4-5

What does God tell Abram to compare his number of descendants to (see verse 5)?

15:1-6

What did Abram do to be regarded as righteous before God (see verse 6)?

15:7-16

What did God say would happen to Abram's descendants (see verse 13)?

15:17-20

What are the pieces that the flaming pot passed between (see verses 9-11)?

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Scripture Memory

Abram to Abraham

God had promised Abram descendants, but after many years
- he had no son. But, God still intended to keep this promise.

15:4-6, 16:1-6

Sarai gave her servant to Abram to bear him a child. Did this show faith in God's promise from 15:5-6?

16:7-12

How does God treat Hagar (Sarai's servant) in this passage?

16:7-13

What does Hagar call God in verse 13?

17:1-8

Why did God change Abram's name (see verse 5)?

17:9-14

What responsibilities does God give Abram in this passage?

17:15-27

What did Abraham do after God had finished talking to him (see verse 23)?

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Scripture Memory

Abraham Intercedes

The contrast between Abraham and Lot continues to instruct us in what it means (and does not mean) to live by faith.

18:1-15

What was important for Sarah to believe about God (see verse 14)?

18:16-19

What would Abraham need to do that would work with God keeping his promise (see verse 19)?

18:20-33

How does Abraham respond to God's plan to destroy the city of Sodom?

18:20-23

What characteristics or attitudes does Abraham show in these verses?

19:1-11

Who did Lot almost put into great danger in verse 8?

9:12-29

Lot's wife disobeyed God and looked back at the city. Why do you think she looked back?

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Scripture Memory

Isaac's Birth

The next generation of the people of God begins with the miraculous birth of Isaac.

20:1-7

Who had kept Abimelech from sinning (see verse 6)?

20:8-18

Why did Abraham not tell the people that Sarah was his wife (see verse 11)?

21:1-7

Isaac means "he laughs". What was so funny about Isaac's birth (see verse 7)?

21:8-14

Why did God desire that Hagar and Ishmael leave Abraham (see verse 12)?

21:15-21

How did God care for Hagar and Ishmael in this passage?

12:22-33

What does Abraham give Abimelech in their covenant with each other?

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Scripture Memory

Abraham's Test

Continuing to live his life of faith in God, Abraham demonstrates that exact faith in the test of the sacrifice of Isaac.

22:1-2

What (besides his son) was God asking Abraham to give up by sacrificing Isaac?

22:3-8

What was Abraham's answer to Isaac in verse 8?

22:9-12

What did Abraham's willingness to sacrifice Isaac prove (see verse 13)?

22:13-14

What did Abraham name the place where he sacrificed the ram?

22:15-24

List the things that God promises to Abraham in verses 17-18.

James 2:18-24

What does verse 22 say "completed" (ESV) or "perfected" Abraham's faith?

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Scripture Memory

Jacob and Esau

God's promise to Abraham to make him a father of nations begins to take shape with the birth of Jacob and Esau.

26:1-5

God based his promise to Isaac on a promise he gave to someone else before. Who was it (see verse 3)?

26:6-11

In this passage, Isaac lies about his wife because of his fear. Who else did this?

25:19-23

Why were Rebekah's babies "struggling" (ESV) inside of her (see verse 23)?

25:24-34

What did Esau do to his "birthright"?

26:12-35

How did Esau's marriage to Hittite women affect Isaac and Rebekah's lives (see verse 34-35)?

Romans 9:10-13

What did the birth of Jacob and Esau demonstrate about God (see verse 11)?

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Scripture Memory

Isaac's Blessing

God's purposes continue to unfold as the patriarchal line passes over the oldest son and goes to the youngest.

27:1-13

Why did Rebekah want to deceive Isaac (see verse 10)?

27:14-25

How did Jacob lie to Isaac in this passage?

27:26-29

List 3 things from Isaac's blessing that he says will happen for Jacob.

27:30-38

In this passage, what is Esau's reaction to what Jacob did?

27:39-40

What are some common phrases between what Isaac tells Esau here - and the blessing that Jacob received (see verses 27-29)?

27:41-46

Where does Rebekah send Jacob to protect him from Esau (see verses 43-44)?

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Jacob's Dream

God reiterates Abraham's promise to Jacob through a dream
- and at the same time gives a picture of Jesus.

28:1-9

Why do you think Isaac sent Jacob away from Canaan to find a wife?

28:1-9

What does Isaac say Jacob will "become" (ESV) (see verse 3)?

28:10-17

What did Jacob see in his dream (see verse 12)?

28:10-17

In what directions does God say Jacob's descendants will spread (see verse 14)?

28:17-22

What does Jacob call the place he had his dream (see verses 17, 19)?

John 1:43-51

How is Jesus like the stairway/ladder that Jacob saw in his dream?

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Scripture Memory

Jacob, Leah, and Rachel

Jacob, the one who had deceived his own father, in turn is deceived himself by Laban. All the while, God is sovereignly in control.

29:1-20

What did Jacob agree to do for the right to marry Rachel (see verse 18)?

29:21-30

What was Laban's reason for giving Leah to Jacob instead of Rachel (see verse 26)?

29:30-35

Whose love did Leah continually pursue in this passage? What did she finally say in verse 35?

30:1-23

How did Rachel and Jacob react to Rachel's inability to have children (see verses 1-2)?

30:25-43

Jacob, wanting to leave Laban - comes up with a clever plan that would eventually do what (see verses 42-43)?

31:1-13

Where does God call Jacob to return to in verse 13? Who is this, specifically?

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Scripture Memory

Return to Canaan

As Jacob's family returns to Canaan, Jacob must address problems of his past - and new problems as they arise.

32:1-21

When praying for protection from Esau, what promise does Jacob remember (see verse 12)?

32:22-32

What men had Jacob struggled with so far in his life (see verse 28)?

32:22-32

What do you think it means to "strive" or "struggle" with God (see verse 28)?

33:1-20

Why did Jacob insist that Esau take his gift (see verse 11)?

34:1-31

How did Hamor try to convince Dinah's brothers to allow his son to marry Dinah (see verses 8-12)?

35:1-15

What two things did Jacob do after leaving Shechem (see verses 2-3)?

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Scripture Memory

Joseph the Brother

The last section of Genesis begins with Jacob's son Joseph and how God used the tension with Joseph's brothers to work out his plan for his people.

37:1-8

What were the two reasons that Joseph's brothers hated him (see verses 4-5)?

37:9-11

In addition to hate, how else did Joseph's brothers feel about him (see verse 11)?

37:1-11

What were the images in Joseph's dreams, and what do you think they represent?

37:12-24

How did Reuben show his disagreement with the brothers' plans (see verses 21-22)?

37:25-28

What did Judah lead his brothers to do in this passage?

37:29-36

What is Jacob's reaction to Joseph's supposed death (see verses 34-35)?

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Scripture Memory

Joseph the Slave

Though abandoned by his brothers, God remains with Joseph and providentially orders his life through slavery and imprisonment.

39:1-10

Besides Potiphar, who was Joseph concerned about sinning against (see verse 9)?

39:11-23

How did God watch over Joseph in prison (see verses 21-23)?

40:1-23

What did the cupbearer's and baker's dreams mean (see verses 12-13, 18-19)?

41:1-13

Who did Pharaoh try to get to interpret his dream (see verse 8)?

41:14-36

According to Joseph, who interpreted Pharaoh's dream (see verse 16)?

41:37-57

What did Joseph name his sons, and what do their names mean (see verses 51-52)?

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Scripture Memory

Joseph and his Brothers

God confronts Joseph's brothers with the consequences of their sin - and at the same time reveals his providential purposes in the the world.

42:1-25

According to Joseph's brothers, what was the source of their distress (see verse 21)?

42:26-43:10

Who convinced Jacob (Israel) to let Benjamin go, and how (see verses 8-9)?

43:11-25

How were Joseph's brothers honest with him (see verses 20-22)?

43:26-34

How does Joseph act towards his brothers in this passage?

44:1-34

What does Judah ask of Joseph (see verses 33-34)?

45:1-28

What was God's purpose behind sending Joseph to Egypt (see verse 7)?

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Scripture Memory

God's People in Egypt

The final chapters of Genesis leave God's people in Egypt, giving us the foundation for Exodus - and the Israelites a clear picture of their origins.

46:1-27

List God's promises to Jacob found in verses 3-4.

46:28-47:12

What was the quality of the land Pharaoh gave Jacob's family (see verses 6, 11)?

47:13-31

What was Jacob's request to Joseph regarding his death (see verses 29-31)?

48:1-22

From this passage, list 3 things that Jacob says about the future of Joseph and his two sons.

49:1-33

List 3 images from Jacob's blessing of Judah (see verses 8-12).

50:1-26

Summarize what Joseph says to comfort his brothers in their fear (see verses 18-21)?

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Scripture Memory

Genesis Review

Even though we learn much about the generations of the people of God in Genesis, it is primarily about God himself – and his promises and purposes in creation.

1:1-1:31

What do you think are the most important things this passage tells us about God?

6:1-22

Who is the one who determines if the world is corrupt (see verse 11)?

12:1-9

What does God promise to Abram in this passage?

25:19-28

In verse 23, God reverses the normal way by saying the "older shall serve the younger". Why do you think God does this?

33:1-20

What is Jacob's reason for his gift to Esau (see verse 11)?

45:1-28

What was God's purpose behind sending Joseph to Egypt (see verse 7)?

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