

# The most important Book ever Written H Morris

#### GENESIS - BKGD

- >Author Moses
- >Audience Israel in Egypt
- >Occasion before Exodus
- > Location Egypt
- > Purpose worldview Prep

#### ATTACKS

- 1. Authorship
- 2. Historicity

3. Scientific

#### SCIENCE STATEMENT

- >Matter -
- **Energy** -
- > Processes -
- > Agency -
- >Time -

Universe

Omnipotence

Creation

God

In beginning

#### GENESIS - A POLEMIC

- **✓** Egyptian theology
- **✓** Canaanite theology
- ✓ Babylonian cosmology
- ✓21st Century science

#### STRUCTURE

- I. Intro Summary Stmt. 1:1
- II. Pre-creation Situation 1:2
- III. Creation Narrative 1:3-31
- IV. Concl. Summary Stmt. 2:1
- V. Sabbath Epilogue 2:2-3

#### GENESIS Outline

I. Primeval History

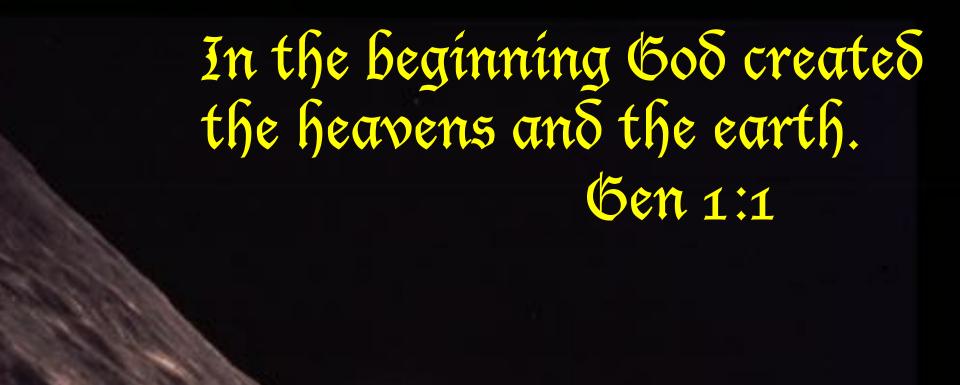
A. History of the Creation

1. Creation of the Universe

1:1-11:26

1:1-2:3

1:1-2



#### \*プユ (bara) - Create

>Only of God as subject

General term for create

- Distinguished from other lit.
- >Other terms





- Dominates Gen 1
- Subject of all sentences
- Reveals God's perfections

#### INCOMPREHENSIBILITY



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Job 11:7 "Can you discover the depths of God? Can you discover the limits of the Almighty? 8 "They are high as the heavens, what can you do? Deeper than Sheol, what can you know? 9 "Its measure is longer than the earth And broader than the sea.

#### He is not exactly like anything or anybody

**AW Tozer** 

Some of the characteristics of the divine nature cannot be known by a finite intelligence WGT Shedd

## Ps 139:6 Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; It is too high, I cannot attain to it.

Isa 55:8 "For My thoughts are not your thoughts, Nor are your ways My ways," declares the Lord. 9 "For as the heavens are higher than the earth, So are My ways higher than your ways And My thoughts than your thoughts.

Rom 11:33-36 Oh, the depth of the riches both of the wisdom & knowledge of God! How unsearchable are His judgments and unfathomable His ways! ....

Mt 11:27 "...; and no one knows the Son, except the Father; nor does anyone know the Father, except the Son, and anyone to whom the Son wills to reveal Him.

#### INCOMPREHENSIBILITY



- > His Incomprehensibility
- >His Knowability

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#### KNOWABILITY

- Not unintelligible cannot frame any idea
- ➤ Incomprehensible ideas are incomplete

#### SOURCES

### 1. General Revelation



## GENERAL REVELATION

Rom 1:19-20 because that which is known about God is evident within them; for God made it evident to them. For since the creation of the world His invisible attributes, His eternal power and divine nature, have been clearly seen, being understood through what has been made, so that they are without excuse.

#### SOURCES

- 1. General Revelation
- 2. Special Revelation



## SPECIAL REVELATION

Deut 4:35 "To you it was shown that you might know that the Lord, He is God; there is no other besides Him.

#### SOURCES

- 1. General Revelation
- 2. Special Revelation
- 3. Jesus Christ



## JESUS CHRIST

Jn 1:18 No man has seen God at any time; the only begotten God, who is in the bosom of the Father, He has explained Him.



#### MAJOR DISTINCTION

1. All Non-biblical Views Continuity of gods & creation

2. Only Bible -

Creator distinct from creation

Transcendent God

2 realms of existence



#### אלהימ (Elohim) - God

- Subject of Gen 1 and all Bible
- >Plural God not singularity
- >Verb masculine singular
- >Creator omnipotent, sovereign

#### אלהים (Elohim) - God

Transcendent

Sovereign

- **Eternal**
- Self-existent
- >Trinitarian
- Personal
- **Immanent**

#### SOVEREIGNTY

Ps 103:19 The Lord has established His throne in the heavens, And His sovereignty rules over all.

Mt 28:18 And Jesus came up and spoke to them, saying, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth.

#### אלהים (Elohim) - God

- Transcendent
- >Eternal
- > Self-existent
- >Trinitarian
- **Personal**
- >Immanent

- Sovereign
- >Gracious
- **Omnipotent**
- **Good**
- **Omniscient**
- > Creator