

GENESIS EXPOSITION

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**The most important
Book ever Written**

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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 - Universe**
 - **Energy - Omnipotence**
 - **Processes - Creation**
 - **Agency - God**
 - **Time - In beginning**
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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 1:1-11:26
 - A. History of the Creation 1:1-2:3
 - 1. Creation of the Universe 1:1-2

In the beginning God created
the heavens and the earth.

Gen 1:1



בָּרָא (bara) - Create

- **Only of God as subject**
- **General term for create**
- **Distinguished from other lit.**
- **Other terms**



אֱלֹהִים (Elohim) - God

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

INCOMPREHENSIBILITY



➤ His 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.**

אֱלֹהִים (Elohim) - God

➤ **Transcendent**



MAJOR DISTINCTION

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

**2. Only Bible -
Creator distinct from creation
Transcendent God
2 realms of existence**

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- **Transcendent**
- **Eternal**
- **Self-existent**
- **Trinitarian**

אֱלֹהִים (Elohim) - God

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

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➤ **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.

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➤ **Sovereign**

➤ **Gracious**

➤ **Omnipotent**

➤ **Good**

➤ **Omniscient**

➤ **Creator**