

THE SEVEN DAYS OF CREATION  
(Genesis 1:1 - 2:4)

- I. The First Six Days (1:1-31)
  - A. Day One (1:1-5)—God CREATED from NOTHING
    - 1. The HEAVEN
    - 2. The EARTH—SHAPELESS and EMPTY
    - 3. LIGHT
    - 4. TIME
  - B. Day Two (1:6-8)
    - 1. DIVIDED the WATERS—ABOVE and BELOW
    - 2. Established the ATMOSPHERE
  - C. Day Three (1:9-13)
    - 1. Gathered the SEAS in ONE PLACE
    - 2. Brought up DRY LAND, evidently as a SINGLE CONTINENT
    - 3. Brought forth LAND PLANTS—MATURE
  - D. Day Four (1:13-19)—Made the SUN, MOON, and STARS as light BEARERS
    - 1. Establishing a *cosmos* of day and night REGULATORS
    - 2. Providing a SOURCE of light for the EARTH

3. Providing a means for COUNTING TIME
  4. Providing a mechanism for the TIDES
- E. Day Five (1:20-23)
1. Called forth SEA CREATURES (cf. Isa. 27:1; Jer. 51:37; Ezek. 20:3)
  2. Called forth WINGED CREATURES
  3. BLESSED all of them with the command to “be FRUITFUL and MULTIPLY and FILL” their respective environments
- F. Day Six (1:24-31)
1. Called forth LAND ANIMALS
  2. MADE man (more details in chapter 2)
    - a. In God’s IMAGE/LIKENESS, to RULE
    - b. MALE and FEMALE, to enjoy a LOVING relationship
    - c. BLESSED with the command to “be FRUITFUL and MULTIPLY and FILL the earth, and SUBDUE it”
  3. Announced the universal FOOD SUPPLY from the VEGETATION
- II. The Seventh Day (2:1-4)
- A. SUMMARY of the first six days
1. EVERYTHING was FINISHED by the end of day six
  2. EVERYTHING was “VERY GOOD” (cf. Gen. 1:31)
- B. Established His PATTERN of a SEVEN-DAY WEEK (Ex. 20:8-11)