



Established | Christian Story

Creation



# Creation

- Genesis means “origin” or “beginning”
- Written by Moses
- After Exodus from Egypt
- Written to Israel



# Creation

- Purpose:
  - How the world started
  - Why God created it
  - What God is doing



# Creation - Genesis 1 & 2

- Genesis 1 – General description of creation
- Genesis 2 – Specific description of creation



## Themes in Creation Narrative

- **Kingdom** – God's people in God's place under God's rule and blessing
- **Covenant** – A chose relationship/partnership in which two parties making binding promises to each other and work together to reach a common goal.

# Order of Creation

Form	Filling
Day 1 - Separating day & night	Day 4 – Sun & Moon for day & night
Day 2 – Separating sky & sea	Day 5 – Sky animals & sea animals
Day 3 – Separating land & sea	Day 6 – Land animals & humans
Day 7 – Sabbath Rest	



# Framework Theory

- 1) Command – “God said”
- 2) Report – “It was so”
- 3) Assessment – “It was good”
- 4) Dominion – “God called”
- 5) Time marker – “Evening and morning”

- 7<sup>TH</sup> day looks different





## Framework Theory

<sup>3</sup> And God said, “Let there be light,” and there was light. <sup>4</sup> And God saw that the light was good. And God separated the light from the darkness. <sup>5</sup> God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

Genesis 1:3-5



# Framework Theory

<sup>1</sup> Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all the host of them. <sup>2</sup> And on the seventh day God finished his work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all his work that he had done. <sup>3</sup> So God blessed the seventh day and made it holy, because on it God rested from all his work that he had done in creation.

Genesis 2:1-3



# Creation – Main Points

- God created
- Creation is good
- Humanity is unique among creation



# What Creation Narrative says about God

- He alone is God
- He is Sovereign
- He is “a se”
- He is transcendent
- He is imminent



# What Creation Narrative says about Humanity

- We are made in the image of God
  - Imago Dei
- We have been entrusted with cultivating creation
  - Cultural Mandate
  - Subdue
  - Enjoyment



