

Gen 1:9-13 Day Three

III. Day 3 – Seas, Land, Plants

- A. Initial conditions – water and atmosphere
- B. Seas and Land (vv. 9-10) Psa 95:5
 - 1. Waters gathered – Seas
 - a) Into one place, so large body of water, don't know how big
 - b) Today's Seas are in one place, all connected
 - 2. Dry Land – Earth, foundations of the Earth laid? Pro 8:29
 - 3. Angels appear to have been created by this time Job 38:4-7
 - 4. Structure needed for future placed, source of the “mist” (flow), fountains of the great deep. Gen 2:5-6
 - 5. And it was good
- C. Plants (vv. 11-12)
 - 1. Vegetation, grass, ground cover
 - 2. Plants yielding seed, bushes or intermediate size plants
 - 3. Fruit trees bearing fruit, trees or large plants
 - 4. Each after it's kind – no current process can explain this 2 Pet 3:4-7, no evolution
 - 5. Earth commanded by God to bring forth, and it did so
 - 6. Purpose food Psa 104:14
 - 7. Never called alive or living (נֶפֶשׁ, nephesh). Food. Eating plants does not constitute death. Lev 17:11
- D. Parallels between Days 1-3 vs. 4-6
 - 1. Day 1: time space matter light, all nec for placing Sun Moon Stars (day 4)
 - 2. Day 2: Atmosphere and waters below: basic environment for flying creatures and for sea creatures (Day 5)
 - 3. Day 3: Dry land: base environment for land animals and man (Day 6)
- E. Conclusion – The Earth is ready for Life
 - 1. It was good (twice for this day)
 - 2. Evening (dark) and morning (light), third day (Again!)

Genesis 1:9–13 (ESV)

⁹ And God said, “Let the waters under the heavens be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear.” And it was so. ¹⁰ God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas. And God saw that it was good.

¹¹ And God said, “Let the earth sprout vegetation, plants yielding seed, and fruit trees bearing fruit in which is their seed, each according to its kind, on the earth.” And it was so. ¹² The earth brought forth vegetation, plants yielding seed according to their own kinds, and trees bearing fruit in which is their seed, each according to its kind. And God saw that it was good. ¹³ And there was evening and there was morning, the third day.

Genesis 1:9–13 (NKJV)

⁹ Then God said, “Let the waters under the heavens be gathered together into one place, and let the dry *land* appear”; and it was so. ¹⁰ And God called the dry *land* Earth, and the gathering together of the waters He called Seas. And God saw that *it was good*.

¹¹ Then God said, “Let the earth bring forth grass, the herb *that* yields seed, *and* the fruit tree *that* yields fruit according to its kind, whose seed *is* in itself, on the earth”; and it was so. ¹² And the earth brought forth grass, the herb *that* yields seed according to its kind, and the tree *that* yields fruit, whose seed *is* in itself according to its kind. And God saw that *it* was good. ¹³ So the evening and the morning were the third day.

Psalm 95:5 (ESV)

⁵ The sea is his, for he made it,
and his hands formed the dry land.

Psalm 104:14 (ESV)

¹⁴ You cause the grass to grow for the livestock
and plants for man to cultivate,
that he may bring forth food from the earth

Proverbs 8:29 (ESV)

²⁹ when he assigned to the sea its limit,
so that the waters might not transgress his command,
when he marked out the foundations of the earth,

Job 38:4–7 (ESV)

⁴ “Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth?
Tell me, if you have understanding.
⁵ Who determined its measurements—surely you know!
Or who stretched the line upon it?
⁶ On what were its bases sunk,
or who laid its cornerstone,
⁷ when the morning stars sang together
and all the sons of God shouted for joy?

Genesis 2:5–6 (ESV)

⁵ When no bush of the field was yet in the land and no small plant of the field had yet sprung up for the LORD God had not caused it to rain on the land, and there was no man to work the ground, ⁶ and a mist was going up from the land and was watering the whole face of the ground

2 Peter 3:4–7 (ESV)

⁴ They will say, “Where is the promise of his coming? For ever since the fathers fell asleep, all things are continuing as they were from the beginning of creation.” ⁵ For they deliberately overlook this fact, that the heavens existed long ago, and the earth was formed out of water and through water by the word of God, ⁶ and that by means of these the world that then existed was deluged with water and perished. ⁷ But by the same word the heavens and earth that now exist are stored up for fire, being kept until the day of judgment and destruction of the ungodly.

Leviticus 17:11 (ESV)

¹¹ For the life of the flesh is in the blood, and I have given it for you on the altar to make atonement for your souls, for it is the blood that makes atonement by the life.