#### **III.** GOD FINISHED THE UNIVERSE (1:31-2:3)

**A.** He finished and \_\_\_\_\_\_(1:31)

Six times God said what He created was "good" (vs 4, 10, 12, 18 21, 25) and now for the first time He says it was "very good".

"Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of lights,..." James 1:17a

### **B.** He finished and \_\_\_\_\_ (2:1-3)

"For he spake in a certain place of the seventh day on this wise, And God did rest the seventh day from all his works." Hebrews 4:4

"8 Remember the sabbath day, to keep it holy.

9 Six days shalt thou labour, and do all thy work:

10 But the seventh day is the sabbath of the LORD thy God: in it thou shalt not do any work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, thy manservant, nor thy maidservant, nor thy cattle, nor thy stranger that is within thy gates:"

Exodus 20:8-10

## FOLLOW GOD'S BLUEPRINT FOR THE UNIVERSE

"I have made the earth, and created man upon it: I, even my hands, have stretched out the heavens, and all their host have I commanded." Isaiah 45:12

# BLUEPRINTS: IN THE BEGINNING GOD...

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#### **INTRODUCTION**

**A.** Everything on earth today had a beginning! The big question in our culture is who designed the blueprint for these things. The book of Genesis is the most important book ever written because it gives the origin of all things.

"25 Then he said unto them, O fools, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken:

26 Ought not Christ to have suffered these things, and to enter into his glory?

27 And beginning at Moses and all the prophets, he expounded unto them in all the scriptures the things concerning himself."

Luke 24:25-27

"46 For had ye believed Moses, ye would have believed me: for he wrote of me.

47 But if ye believe not his writings, how shall ye believe my words?" John 5:46-47

**B.** Join me in this seven week series as we will reveal from the book of Genesis seven vital blueprints designed by God.

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C. TEXT: Genesis 1:1-2:3 (Pew Bible Page 1/Old Testament)

#### I. GOD FORMED THE UNIVERSE (1:1-2)

**A.** The \_\_\_\_\_\_ of creation (1:1a)

"1 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

2 The same was in the beginning with God.

3 All things were made by him; and without him was not any thing made that was made." John 1:1-3

"16 For by him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by him, and for him:

17 And he is before all things, and by him all things consist." Colossians 1:16-17

# **B.** The \_\_\_\_\_\_ of creation (1:1b-2)

The Hebrew word here for "God" is "Elohim" which is plural including the entire Trinity: God the Father, Son & Holy Spirit.

"The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament sheweth his handywork." Psalm 19:1

"For the invisible things of him from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even his eternal power and Godhead; so that they are without excuse:" Romans 1:20

"The fool hath said in his heart, There is no God...." Psalm 14:1a

# **C.** The \_\_\_\_\_\_ of creation (1:1c)

The Hebrew word for "created" is "bara" and it is used only for the work of God. People can "make" things, but only God can truly "create" things.

"Through faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God," Hebrews 11:3a

### **II.** GOD FILLED THE UNIVERSE (1:3-30)

A. He filled it \_\_\_\_\_.

First Day: light and darkness (1:3-5) Second Day: the firmament (1:6-8) Third Day: land, sea, and plant life (1:9-13) Fourth Day: sun, moon and stars (1:14-19) Fifth Day: animal life (1:20-25) Sixth Day: more animal life and man (1:26-30)

He did it in six literal days. (vs 5, 8, 13, 19, 23, 31)

"For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day: wherefore the LORD blessed the sabbath day, and hallowed it." Exodus 20:11

## **B.** He filled it \_\_\_\_\_.

God spoke it into existence. He speaks fourteen times in the first chapter of Genesis, and eight of them are creative commands.

"6 By the word of the LORD were the heavens made; and all the host of them by the breath of his mouth.

7 He gathereth the waters of the sea together as an heap: he layeth up the depth in storehouses.

8 Let all the earth fear the LORD: let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe of him.

9 For he spake, and it was done; he commanded, and it stood fast. " Psalm 33:6-9

## C. He filled it \_\_\_\_\_.

Ten times we are told that life procreates "after its kind" or "after their kind". (vs 11-12, 21, 24-25).

"Thou, even thou, art LORD alone; thou hast made heaven, the heaven of heavens, with all their host, the earth, and all things that are therein, the seas, and all that is therein, and thou preservest them all; and the host of heaven worshippeth thee." Nehemiah 9:6