

GENESIS

1:1-2

IN THE BEGINNING

AN INTRODUCTION TO GENESIS

MAIN IDEA

God is Eternal. Everything has its being because God made it. Nothing exists outside of God's creative work. God is faithful to His Purposes, Promises and to His People.

PURPOSE

Genesis displays how God has acted and continues to act toward His creation. The purpose is that we may KNOW God and TRUST Him as faithful to His purposes and promises.

AUTHOR/ DATE

Moses during the exodus from Egypt (1445-1405 BC)

MAJOR THEMES OF GENESIS

GOD

God is revealed in His character and covenant. All the rest of the story is seen in relation to God. God and His Creation, God and People, God and Sin, God and Covenant, God and Redemption

BEGINNINGS

The Book of Genesis shows the Beginning of every major doctrine and major foundation of the Christian faith.

- The Doctrine of God
- The Doctrine of Man
- The Doctrine of Sin
- The Doctrine of Redemption

COVENANT

In Genesis, we see the primary way that God relates to His people... How He makes them into His people and how He makes and keeps His promises to His people, in spite of their sin and unfaithfulness.

STRUCTURE OF GENESIS

TOHELETH: THESE ARE THE GENERATIONS OF...

Each section of the book describes the work of God within the descendants of various early fathers- Adam, Noah, Terah, Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, etc.

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SCRIPTURE

"In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth. The earth was without form and void, and darkness was over the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters." (Genesis 1:1-2)

INTRODUCING... GOD

WHO IS GOD?

Monotheism – God is **ONE**

Elohim- God is **MAJESTIC**

God is **RELATIONAL**

The Godhead is a **TRINITY**

Eternal- God is **BEFORE**

God is the **SOURCE**

Creator- Of **EVERYTHING**

GOD AND THE HEAVENS

God **CREATED** out of **NOTHING**

God's **PREEMINENCE** and **POWER** are on display

GOD AND THE EARTH

The Earth is **FORMLESS** and **VOID**

God **FORMED** and **FILLED**

God's **PRESENCE** and **PROVISION** are on display

GOD, CREATION AND TODAY

God is the **CREATOR** therefore God is the **OWNER**

God as **SOVEREIGN CREATOR** defies **MAN** as the **DETERMINER**

God as **ETERNAL CREATOR** defies **MAN** as the **CENTER** of the universe.