

Genesis
Moses
Discussion 1
Genesis Chapters 1-4
The Story of Creation

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HISTORY OF THE HUMAN RACE—GENESIS 1-11
CREATION (GENESIS 1-2)

Genesis 1 outlines creation as a whole.

Genesis 2 retells creation especially emphasizing man’s place.

I. The Creator

- a. List what you discover about God from these chapters.

- i. _____
- ii. _____
- iii. _____
- iv. _____
- v. _____
- vi. _____

- b. The Bible reveals God as a “trinity” (one God three persons), God the F _____, God the S _____, and God the Holy S _____.

Notice the pronouns in Genesis 1:26.

Which person in the Godhead is mentioned in Genesis 1:2? _____

Was the Son of God present in creation? _____. (Read John 1:1-3; Colossians 1:16).

II. The Creation

- a. The word “create” meaning to make out of nothing, is used three times in Genesis 1.
Genesis 1:1- God created matter (the material universe)
Genesis 1:21- God created animal life
Genesis 1:27- God created human life
- b. Name in order, the parts of creation that God created on each day of the week:
- 1st day _____
2nd day _____
3rd day _____
4th day _____
5th day _____
6th day _____
7th day _____
- c. Which day did God bless and sanctify? (Genesis 2:1-3)

- d. How long do you think these days were? _____
- e. What does “after his kind” mean in Genesis 1:11, 12, 21, 24?

Professor Dana said of this first chapter in the Bible, “I find it to be in perfect accord with known science.” To a graduating class at Yale he said, “Young men! As you go out into the world to face scientific problems, remember that I, an old man has known only science all my life lone, say to you, that there is nothing truer in all the Universe than the scientific statements contained in the Word of God.”

III. Creations Climax—Man

- a. Man’s beginning:
1. Of what two things was man created? (2:7)

 2. In whose image was man made?

 3. Why did God make man? (Read Isaiah 43:7, Rev. 4:11)

 4. How do we know that God planned for man to work? (2:15)

 5. Who named the animals and fowls that God made?

- b. Man's first home: The Garden of _____
1. This garden was probably located in the Mesopotamian plain. The name of what river is familiar to you? (2:11-14)

 2. In those days how was the earth watered? (2:6)

 3. What did God give man and animals for good? (1:29-30)

 4. What two unusual trees were in the Garden?
 1. _____
 2. _____
 5. What one restriction or test of obedience was given to man? (2:17) _____. (In the garden there was health, happiness, and holiness.)
- c. Man's wife or partner: called _____ (2:23),
_____ (3:20), and _____ (5:2)
1. Why was she made? _____
 2. How was she made?

MAN'S FALL INTO SIN—GENESIS 3-4

I. What the Bible teaches about Satan

“The old serpent, called the Devil, and Satan” (Revelation 12:9) apparently was first created as one of the **cherubim** (Ezekiel 28:1-15), having great position and authority. He fell from his heavenly estate through his rebellious attitude of **pride** (Isaiah 14:12-15).

After the creation of the earth he tempted mankind likewise **to act in self-will** instead of God's will (Genesis 3:1-6). His **plan is to dethrone God** in His universe and in the hearts of men. God promises **Satan's ultimate destruction** through the “seed of woman,” Christ (Genesis 3:15).

Three times Jesus called him “**the prince of this world**” (John 14:30, etc.). As “the prince of the power of air” (Ephesians 2:2) he heads a vast host of demons. The present world system organized upon the principles of force, greed, selfishness, ambition, and sinful pleasure is his work. In His own time, **God's full judgement will come upon Satan** (Revelation 20:10) and the absolute, undivided sovereignty of God over His whole universe will be restored.

II. Temptation of Adam and Eve

1. What did Satan cause Eve to doubt?

2. How did Satan do this?

3. What are some of the things Satan tempts us to doubt God about?

4. How did Jesus meet Satan's temptations? (Read Luke 4:1-13).

III. The Results of Sin

1. For the serpent? (3:14-15)

2. For the woman? (3:16)

3. For the man? (3:17, 19)

4. For the ground? (3:18)

5. Has spiritual and physical death resulted from sin?

6. How can we escape spiritual death? (Romans 6:23)

7. How did Adam and Eve try to cover their sin and nakedness?

8. How did God clothe Adam and Eve?

9. By driving Adam and Eve from Eden, God, in kindness, kept them away from what? (3:24)

IV. The First Promise of a Savior (Genesis 3:15)- IMPORTANT VERSE

V. Cain and Abel

1. Why was God pleased with Abel's offering? (Hebrews 11:4)

2. List all of Cain's sins in the order they occurred:

3. Whom do you think Cain married?

4. What were the occupations of the early descendants of Cain?
(4:20-22)

5. What son was given to Adam and Eve to take Abel's place?
(4:20-22)

VI. What the Bible Teaches About Sin

A. What is sin?

1 John 3:4 "Sin is the _____"

John 16:7-9: "The Comforter..... will reprove the world of sin... because they _____ on me (Jesus).

B. Who has sinned?

Roman 3:23 "_____ have sinned."

Isaiah 53:6 "_____ we like _____ have gone astray; we have turned everyone to _____"

C. Consequences of sin:

Romans 6:23

John 3:36

Revelation 20:15

D. Provisions for forgiveness:

John 3:16

1 John 1:7

Also see 2 Peter 3:9, Hebrews 9:22, 26, 28; Isaiah 53:5, 6; 1John 2:2; Galatians 3:13.

E. Conditions of forgiveness:

John 1:12

1 John 1:9

F. When can one be saved?

2 Corinthians 6:2

Proverbs 27:1

G. Can we know he is saved?

1 John 5:13

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Genesis Chapters 5-9
The Great Flood

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THE FLOOD—GENESIS 5-9

1. How old was Adam when he died? (5:5) _____
2. Who is the oldest man in this chapter and in the Bible? (5:27) _____
3. Who walked with God and did not die? (5:24) _____
4. Why did God decide to destroy man? (6:5) _____
5. Describe Noah: _____
6. The Ark was made of what type of wood? _____ How many cubits long _____, cubits broad _____, cubits high _____, how many stories high _____ was the Ark?
William Matthew Petrie gives the ancient cubit as equal to 22.5". This would make the ark 562'6" long by 93'9" wide by 56'3" high with 2,958,000 cubic feet, which equals the carrying load of 1, 000 freight cars. The ark was six times long as it was wide. Some of the finest ships afloat are built in proportion to the Ark.
7. How many of each clean animal were taken into the ark? (7:2) _____
8. How many of each unclean animal were taken into the ark? _____

9. Who were the 9 people in the ark?

10. How long did it rain? _____

11. On what mountain did the ark rest? (8:4) _____

12. What two birds were sent out of the ark to test whether the water had receded or not?

13. What did Noah do immediately after he left the ark?

Noah's household was in the ark for 1 year and 17 days, as follows:

7 days in the ark before the rain began

40 days it rained day and night

110 days more, the ark rested on Mt. Ararat

73 more days more, the mountain tops were visible

40 days more, Noah sent out a raven

7 days more, Noah sent out a dove; it returned

7 days more, Noah sent out another dove; it returned

7 days more, Noah sent out another dove; it did not return

29 days more, the covering of the ark was removed

57 days more, Noah went out of the ark

14. What did God now give man for food? (9:3)

15. Did God ever command capital punishment? (9:6)

16. What is the meaning of the rainbow?

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Genesis Chapters 10-11- Origin of the Nations- Descendants from Noah's Sons and the Tower of Babel

Genesis Chapter 12-15-History of the Chosen Race

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ORIGINS OF NATIONS—GENESIS 10-11

Genesis 10- Descendants of Noah's Sons

Shem's descendants settled chiefly in Central Asia

Ham's descendants settled chiefly in Africa

Japheth's descendants settled chiefly in Europe

Genesis 11- Tower of Babel

1. Why did the people want to build the Tower of Babel? (11:4)

2. How did the Lord stop the building of the tower?

HISTORY OF THE CHOSEN RACE—GENESIS 12-50

The Plan of Redemption

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- Hammurabi was living at the same time as Abraham. Who was Hammurabi?

Honor: Abraham is today honored by:

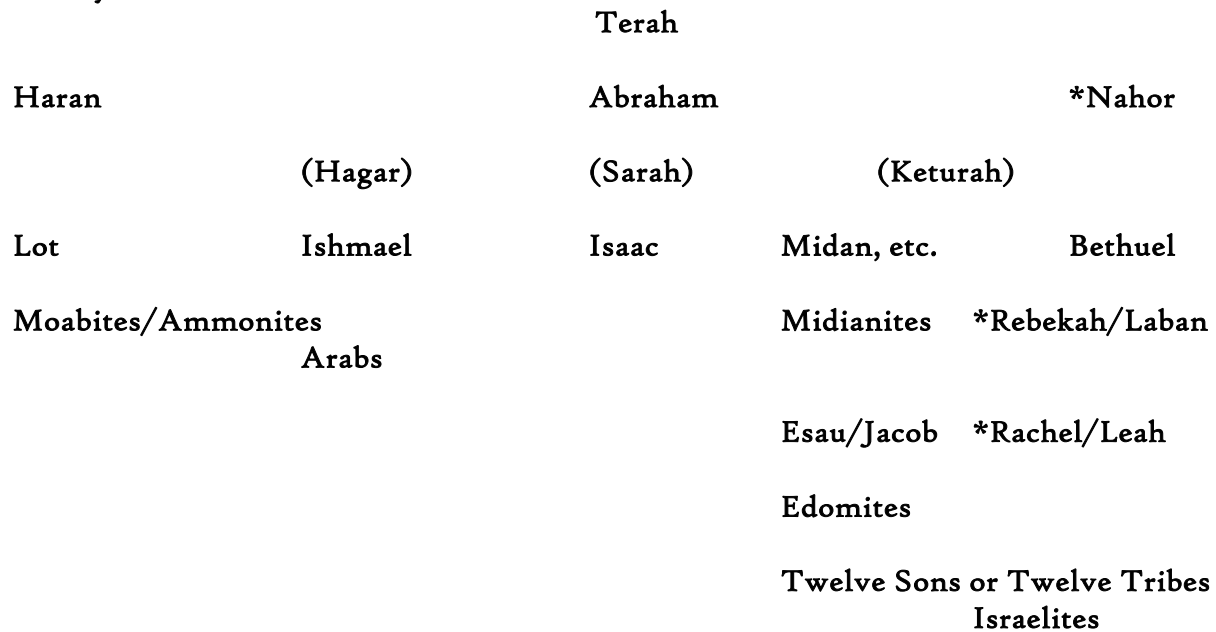
JEWS as the father and the founder of the Hebrew race.

CHRISTIANS as the father of all who believe God. (Galatians 3;6-9, 23)

MUSLIMS as the father of Ishmael.

Abraham is called _____ . (James 2;23)

Family Tree:



***These lived in Haran in Mesopotamia or Pandanaram.**

Questions on Abraham and Isaac—Genesis 12-25

1. Where was Abraham's home: (11:28,31)

2. From which of Noah's sons did Abram descend? (11:10)

3. When Abram was on his way from Ur to Canaan where did he stop? (11:31)

4. From what place to what place did Abram go at 75 years of age?

5. What happened at the first stop in Canaan at Sichem (or Shechem)? (12:6-7)

6. Who traveled with Abram? (12:5)

7. How did Abram worship at Bethel?

8. Why did Abram go to Egypt?

(The great pyramids had been standing for centuries before Abram went to Egypt.)

9. In what way did Abram and Sarai deceive the Egyptians?

10. To what place did Abram return to build an altar and worship? (13:3-4)

11. Why did Abram and Lot separate?

12. What did Lot choose? (13:11-12)

13. What kind of people lived in Sodom?

14. What marvelous promise did God make to Abram? (13:14-17)

15. In what town did Abram finally settle? (13:18) He _____ in the plains of
M_____.

16. What four kings fought against five kings relative of Abram's was captured? (14:1-16)

17. Aside from his confederates, how many in Abram's own army of trained servants went with him to rescue the captives? (14:14)

18. What did Melchizedek do for Abram? (14:18-20)

19. What did Abram do for Melchizedek? T_____, a word which
mean _____.

20. What did the rich man Abram lack and want? (15:3)

21. The vision in Genesis 15 was to prove Abraham that God would keep his promise. What did God say would happen to Abraham's seed some day? (15:13-16)

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1. When Abram was _____ years old God made a _____ with hi. His name changed to _____, which means _____. He promised him the land of _____ as an _____ possession. God promised Abraham a son, _____ by his wife, _____ who was then _____ years old. Her name was changed to _____, which means “princess.” The covenant was to be with Abraham’s son, _____, not with _____. The sign of this covenant was circumcision. (17)

2. What message did the heavenly visitors bring Abraham? (18)

3. Did Sarah laugh at this news in a spirit of belief or unbelief? (18:10-15)

4. Why did Abraham want God to spare Sodom from punishment?

5. Did the people of Sodom believe God would destroy their city? (19:14)

6. Who did escape from Sodom? (19:16)

7. Why did Lot’s wife become a pillar of salt? (19:17, 26)

8. Sodom is known as “the filthiest city of antiquity.” Did the filth of Sodom cling to Lot’s family?

9. What happened to Hagar and Ishmael after Isaac’s birth? (21)

10. God told Abraham to take _____ to Mt. _____ and _____. After the test Abraham did offer a _____ found _____ (22).

11. What had God said about Isaac which would make it especially hard for Abraham to understand this command? (17:19)

Abraham had such faith in this promise that he believed God would raise Isaac from the dead if necessary. (Read Hebrews 11:17-19)

12. What was the purpose of God’s asking Abraham to sacrifice Isaac?

13. What cave in Hebron did Abraham buy for a burial place? (23)

14. Who did he bury there?

15. What did Abraham consider a most important step in his son's career? (24)

16. Where was Abraham buried at 175 years of age? (25:7-10)

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Questions on Isaac and Jacob—Genesis 25-36

1. What is something that you admire about Jacob?

2. What is something you dislike about Jacob?

3. What is something about you admire about Esau?

4. What is something you dislike about Esau?

Having the Birthright meant:

a. Being head of the family

b. Receiving material possessions—receiving double portion of his father’s property.

c. Receiving spiritual blessings—receiving the promises given to Abraham and becoming the ancestor of Christ.

5. How did Jacob steal Esau’s blessing? (27)

6. The name “Jacob” means “supplanter” or “trickster.” How many times did he live up to his name? (27:36)

7. Why did Jacob plan to flee to his relatives in Haran?

8. When Jacob fled from home, was he ready in character and spirit to be the father of twelve tribes, God’s chosen race?

9. What was promised to Jacob? (28:13-14)

10. In what two ways did Laban deceive Jacob? (29)

1. _____
(37:7) 2. _____

11. How did Jacob’s experience illustrate the verse “Whatsoever a man soweth that shall he also reap?” (Galatians 6:7)

12. Since Jacob’s mother, Rebekah, had not sent for him, why was Jacob going to return to Canaan? (31) (Review 27:43-45)

13. How did Jacob leave? (31)

Why? _____

14. how long had Jacob been in Haran working? (31:38-41)

15. Why was Jacob afraid to meet Esau? (32:1-11)

16. What various things did Jacob do when he heard that Esau was coming?

17. At Peniel that night, that turning point in Jacob's life took place. He received from God the blessing he had earlier sought to obtain in evil ways. God was wrestling with Jacob to get what quality out of him?

Jacob now is a new man with a new name, _____, which means "a prince of God."

18. Can anyone have the power with God until he has surrendered to Him?

19. how did Esau meet and greet Jacob? (33)

20. What preparations were made for Jacob's return to Bethel?

21. What three sorrows came to Jacob after coming to Bethel? (35)

22. What are the names of Jacob's twelve sons? (35:23-26)

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Questions on Jacob and Joseph—Genesis 37-50

1. What are three of the reasons that Joseph’s brothers strongly disliked him? (37)

2. What are the main steps in the story of Joseph’s going from his father’s house to that of Potiphar in Egypt? (37)

3. Which two of Joseph’s brother’s stood out as leaders?

4. How did Jacob reap from his sons the same thing that he had sown?

5. List some of Joseph’s qualities he displayed while a slave a Potiphar’s house. (39)

6. What two outstanding characteristics of Joseph are shown while in prison? (39:20-4:23)

7. What had Joseph seen in his two boyhood dreams? (37)

8. What had the butler and the baker see in their two dreams? (40)

Butler-

Baker-

9. What did Pharaoh see in his two dreams? (41)

10. Why was Joseph offered the place of Prime Minister of Egypt? (41) (*observe what Pharaoh would have noticed about him.*)

11. Did Joseph's treatment of his brother's hinder or help in the development of their character?

12. The story of Joseph has been called the most dramatic narrative in the Bible. Do you agree or disagree?

13. Which brother takes the lead in eloquently pleading for Benjamin?

14. In what way have the brothers changed after twenty years or so?

15. What happened when Jacob heard that Joseph was alive in Egypt? (45)

16. What were God's words to Jacob before he departed for Egypt? (46:1-4)

17. In what place, separated from the Egyptians, did this family live?

18. During the famine was Joseph a success as a Prime Minister? (47)

19. Who were Joseph's sons? (48)

20. How were they blessed?

21. In Jacob's prophecies of his twelve sons, (49:8-12) what kind of person I prophesied to come from Judah's family?

22. Where was Jacob buried?

23. After his father's death, what was Joseph's attitude toward his brothers and the past happenings? (50:15-21)

24. What requires did Joseph make concerning his own "bones"? (50:24-26)
