

**Creation &
Blessing: An
Expositional Study
of the Book of Genesis**

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Handout #3**

Purpose of the Book

To reveal how the sin of man is met by the intervention and redemption of God.

Summary Message

Out of the darkened chaos, God sovereignly and majestically created the entire universe in six days,

...**bringing about**...

... perfect order and
abundant fullness for
people to enjoy and
to rule.

God then...

...blessed and sanctified the seventh day, which marked the completion of creation.

**I. God
transformed
chaos into
creation
(Genesis (1:1-2))**

a) God is the
sovereign Creator
of all that
exists (Genesis
1:1)

The essential
message is that
God created
everything that
exists.

**b. The chaos
necessitated the
transformation that
occurred at the
creation (Genesis
1:2a)**

The earth was in a bad state. Something was drastically wrong. The earth was formless and void".

**c. The Spirit of
God ensured
the creation
(Genesis 1:2b)**

**II. God created
everything by His
powerful word
(Genesis 1:3-31)**

**A. God brought
about form and
order in creation.
(1:3-13)**

Day 1

1. On day 1, God sovereignly created light and separated it from darkness. (1:3-5)

Day 2

2. On day 2, God sovereignly created a division for the waters (1:6-8)

Day 3

3. On day 3, God provided fertility for the earth (1:9-13)

He prepared “the
land and the seas,
and He furnished
the land with
fruitfulness.

**B. God brought
about fullness and
harmony in creation
and established
dominion for mankind
(1:14-31)**

Day 4

1. On day 4, God appoints luminaries (heavenly bodies) to regulate the divisions of the earth. (Genesis 1:14-19)

Day 5

2. On day 5, God created life in the sea and in the sky

(Genesis 1:20-23)

Day 6

3. On day 6, God created life for the land and human life for His service (Genesis 1:24-31)

**III. God
culminated
creation with the
blessing of
holiness (2:1-3)**

Day 7

A. On day 7, God completed His work of creation (Genesis 2:1)

**God ceased His
work and
celebrated the
completion of His
creation.**

**God not only ceased
from his work but He
set aside the seventh
day in
commemoration.
(Genesis 2:2-3)**