

SERIES: GENESIS

QUESTIONS FOR GENESIS 1

1. Is the Genesis creation story like the **Babylon** creation story, Enuma Elish?

Genesis 1:1

In the Beginning **[time]** God created the heavens **[space]** and the earth **[matter]**.

Hebrews 1:2

... has in these last days spoken to us by His Son, whom He has appointed heir of all things, through whom also He made the **worlds**; ...

Hebrews 11:3

By faith we understand that the **worlds** were framed by the word of God, so that the things which are seen were not made of things which are visible.

2. What is **unique** about the one true God of Creation?

Deuteronomy 6:4; Genesis 1:5, 9; Genesis 2:24; Ezra 2:64
Genesis 1:26; Genesis 3:22; Genesis 11:7

The word for the one true God is the **plural** form Elohîm, yet the verb “created” is the singular form bārā’.

Deuteronomy 6:4

“Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God **[Elohîm, plural]** is **one** **[echad]** Lord.”
Genesis 1:5, 9; 2:24; Ezra 2:64

There is another word that could have been used for God being one instead of **echad**, and that is **yachîd** which teaches an absolute unity, but **yachîd** emphasizes **only, alone**, and is never used of God in the OT.

Genesis 1:26; 3:22; 11:7

The unique plurality of the “one” true God is vital for understanding the biblical teaching, “God is love”

1 John 4:8 –

He who does not love does not know God, for God is love.

John 1

2 He was in the beginning with God. 3 All things were made through Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made.

Genesis 1:2

The earth was without form, and void; and darkness was on the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters.

Deuteronomy 32:11; Psalm 8:3; Jeremiah 23:9; Job 26:13; Job 33:4;
Psalm 104:30

God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit -- three in one and **co-equal with different roles in a loving relationship for eternity without beginning or end**

3. What was the light God created on day one?

Genesis 1:3

Then God said, “Let there be light”; and there was light.

1 Timothy 6:11-16 –

1 Timothy 6

13 I urge you in the sight of God **who gives life to all things**,
and before Christ Jesus who witnessed the good confession before
Pontius Pilate,

14 that you keep this commandment without spot, blameless until
our Lord Jesus Christ’s appearing,

15 which He will manifest in His own time, He who is the blessed
and only Potentate, the King of kings and Lord of lords,

16 **who alone has immortality, dwelling in unapproachable
light, whom no man has seen or can see, to whom be honor
and everlasting power. Amen.**

4. What is the significance of the Light being “good”?

Genesis 1:4

And God saw the light, that it was good; . . .

James 1:17

1 John 1:5

John 1:8-9

2 Corinthians 4:6

Revelation 21, 22

All that God created was good because **all** was created by Him
Who is good.

There are many Christians who are unwilling **to believe** the
first 2 chapters of the Bible as a historical narrative detailing
the 6 -24-hour days of creation, but **do believe** the last 2
chapters of the Bible and declare with great enthusiasm they
are looking forward to ruling and reigning with Christ forever
where there is no need of the sun.