

Genesis

THE CREATION STAGE

(Genesis 1-11)

These eleven chapters are vital in rightly understanding the remaining 1178 in the Bible. If one accepts them at face value, he will have no difficulty concerning the rest of the Old and New Testament.

1. Three important men: Adam, Enoch, and Noah
2. Four important events: The Creation, The Fall, The Flood, The Tower of Babel
3. The Creation account includes everything, from electrons to galaxies, from dinosaurs to dandelions, and from Adam to angels!
4. This stage is the only one which describes God as resting (Gen. 2:2, 3).
5. It gives us the first human to be created (Adam) and the first human to be born (Cain) (Gen. 1:26; 4:1).
6. It records the first man to die (Abel) and the first not to die (Enoch) (Gen. 4:8; 5:24).
7. We are introduced to a serpent, a raven, and a dove (Gen. 3:1; 7:1, 8).
8. The glory of God in creation (Gen. 1:1) and the grace of God in salvation (Gen. 6:8) are both clearly seen.
9. We see the world's earliest civilization (Cainite) and the world's oldest citizen (Methuselah) (Gen. 4:17; 5:27).
10. This stage describes the first marriage, the first murder, and the first promise of the Messiah (Gen. 2:23-25; 4:8; 3:15).
11. It gives us the first illustration of human religion (the fig leaves) and the first example of divine redemption (the coats of skin) (Gen. 3:7, 21).
12. In its pages, sinners are drowned, and a saint is drunken (Gen. 7:21; 9:20, 21).
13. A ship settles on a mountain, and a tower rises on a plain (Gen. 8:4; 11:1-4).

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OUTLINE

I. The Creation of All Things (Gen. 1-3)

II. The Corruption of All Things (Gen. 3-5)

- A. The subtlety of Satan (3)
- B. The sin of Adam (3)
- C. The redemption of God (3)
- D. The story of Cain and Abel (4)
- E. The ministry of Enoch (5)
- A. The conditions prior to the flood (6)
- B. The salvation through the flood (7-8)
- C. The tragedy following the flood (9)

III. The Confusion of All Things (Gen. 10-11)

- A. The arrogance of man
- B. The judgment of God
- C. The origin of nations

THE PATRIARCHAL STAGE

(Genesis 12-50)

1. Important men who appear during this stage are Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, Joseph, and Job.
2. In the Creation Stage God dealt with the entire earth in general. For example, Genesis 1-11 deals with the world of men as a whole. In the Patriarchal Stage, our attention is drawn from the world to a nation (Israel), then to a tribe in that nation (Judah), then to a family within that tribe (Jesse), and finally to an individual within the family (Jesus Christ).
3. This stage spans a period of some 350 years.
4. Here a city is destroyed on the plains (Sodom) and a boy is spared on a mountain (Isaac) (Gen. 19, 22).
5. Here a son (Jacob) deceives his father Isaac and his later himself to see by his sons brothers of Joseph (Gen. 27, 37).
6. Here we read of the first barren wife (Sarai) and the first dying mother (Rachel) (Gen. 16, 35).
7. Jerusalem (a type of the heavenly) and Egypt (a type of the worldly) are first mentioned in this stage (Gen. 13-14).
8. Here we first learn of a king called Melchizedek and a cave named Machpelah (Gen. 14, 25).
9. Three great biblical covenants are introduced:
 - A. The Abrahamic Covenant, promising a goodly land (Gen. 15).
 - B. The Davidic Covenant, promising a glorious king (2 Sam. 7)
 - C. The new covenant promising a godly people (Jer. 31)

THE PATRIARCHS

The remaining thirty-nine chapters of Genesis (12-50) summarize the lives of Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, and Joseph.

I. Abraham (Gen 12-24)

II. Isaac (Gen. 24-27)

III. Jacob (Gen. 28-36)

IV. Joseph (Gen. 37-50)

Types In Genesis

Persons	Objects, Events, Etc.
Adam —Type Of Christ	The Sun —Type Of Christ
Eve —Type Of The Church	The Moon —Type Of The Church
Cain & Abel —Carnal vs. Spiritual	The Stars —Type Of Saints
Enoch —Type Of The Coming Translation	The Six Days —Type Of Regeneration
Flood Survivors —Type Of The Church	The Sabbath —Type Of Spiritual Rest
Lot —Type Of The Worldly Believer	Coats —Type Of Imputed Righteousness (ch. 3 & 21)
Melchizedek —Type Of Christ	Abel's Lamb —Type Of Calvary
Hagar & Sarah —Type Of The Law vs. Grace	The Flood —Type Of Judgment
Ishmael & Isaac —Type Of The Flesh vs. Spirit	The Flood —Type Of Regeneration (1 Pet. 3:21)
Abraham —Type Of The Father (ch. 12 and 24)	The Ark —Type Of Christ
Isaac —Type Of Christ (ch. 22 & 24, etc.)	The Raven —Type Of The Old Nature
The Servant —Type Of The Spirit (ch. 24)	The Dove —Type Of The New Nature
Rebekah —Type Of The Church	Sodom Fire —Type Of The Final Judgment
Joseph —Type Of Christ	Ram —Type Of Christ Our Substitute (ch. 22)
Asenath —Type Of The Church	Egypt —Type Of The 'World'/Carnality