

*God created you in need of His redemption—and gives a perfect Light in which to find Him.*

**1. Creation—Generation—God’s Perfect Creation of Heavens, Earth and Mankind. Gen. 1-2**

- a. God created the universal heavens and earth (1:1), “from nothing” (1:1-2).
- b. God created light (1:3) and time (1:4-8). Christ is the true light (see John 1:1-5, 8:12).
- c. He created animals, and saw that all was good (1:21, 25), and man in His image (:27).
- d. The seventh day God rested and made it holy (2:1-3). He planted the Eden garden (:8)
- e. The Tree of Life was in the middle, and the tree of good and evil was forbidden (2:9-17).

*“In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth.” ... “So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them. And God blessed them. And God said to them, ‘Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth and subdue it, and have dominion.’ And God said, ‘Let there be light,’ and there was light.” ... “Jesus spoke to them, saying, ‘I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life,’” Gen. 1:1 ... 27-28a ... John 8:12*

**2. Sin—Degeneration—Temptation, Fall and Judgment of Mankind. Gen. 3-4**

- a. Satan lied and tempted the woman Eve, claiming that they could be like God (3:1-5)
- b. Eve and Adam ate the forbidden fruit, knew they had sinned, and hid from God (:6-8).
- c. God cursed the serpent eternally (:14-15), and gave woman child-bearing pain (:16).
- d. God cursed man’s “ground,” giving him pain, thorns, sweat and work (:17-19).
- e. All mankind sin, need God (see Rom. 3:9-20). Cain killed Abel; Seth was born (4:25-26).

*“And the Lord God commanded the man, saying, ‘You may surely eat of every tree of the garden, but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall surely die,’” ... “Then the Lord said to Noah, ‘Go into the ark, you and all your household, for I have seen that you are righteous before me in this generation,’” Gen. 2:16-17 ... 7:1*

**3. Salvation by Faith—Regeneration—God’s Redemption Plan for Mankind. Gen. 5-11**

- a. Sin increased (5). God gave a covenant protecting Noah from the coming flood (6-9).
- b. God separated languages at the Babel Tower. Nations descended from Noah’s sons (11).
- c. Noah demonstrated faith (7, Heb. 11). The Tree of Life is found in Heaven (Rev. 22:2, 5).

*“Then Noah built an altar to the Lord and took some of every clean animal and some of every clean bird and offered burnt offerings on the altar. And when the Lord smelled the pleasing aroma, the Lord said in his heart, ‘I will never again curse the ground because of man, for the intention of man’s heart is evil from his youth,’” Gen. 8:20-21a*

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