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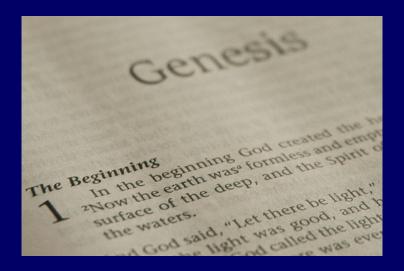


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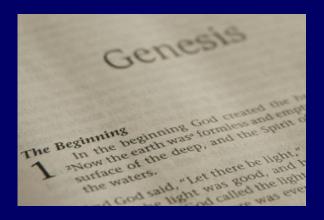
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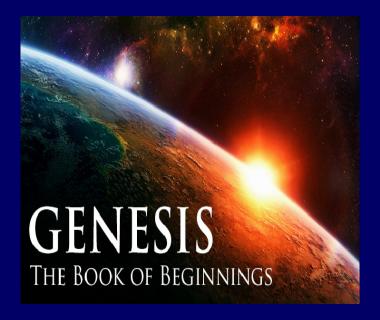
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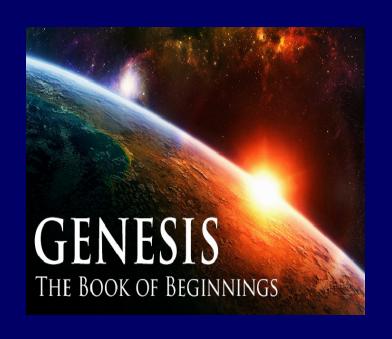
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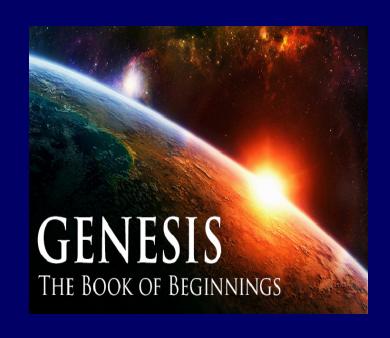
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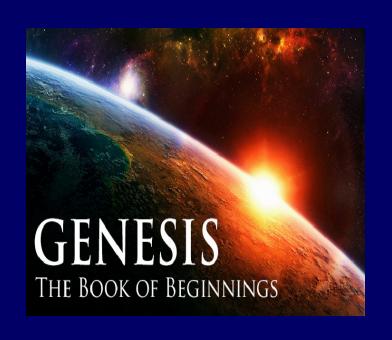
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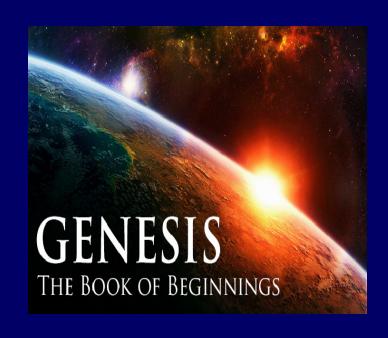
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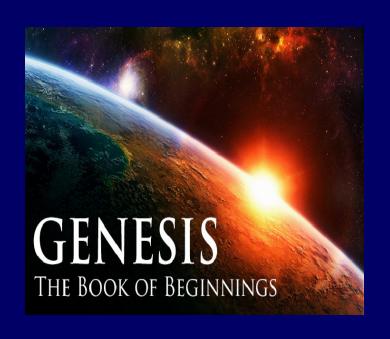
Shaping and Populating (Gen 1:1)

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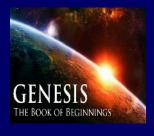


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Richard D. Lamm



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Acts 17:26

"and He made <u>from one man every nation</u> of mankind to live on all the face of the earth, having determined their appointed times and the boundaries of their habitation." (Italics added)



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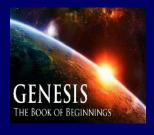
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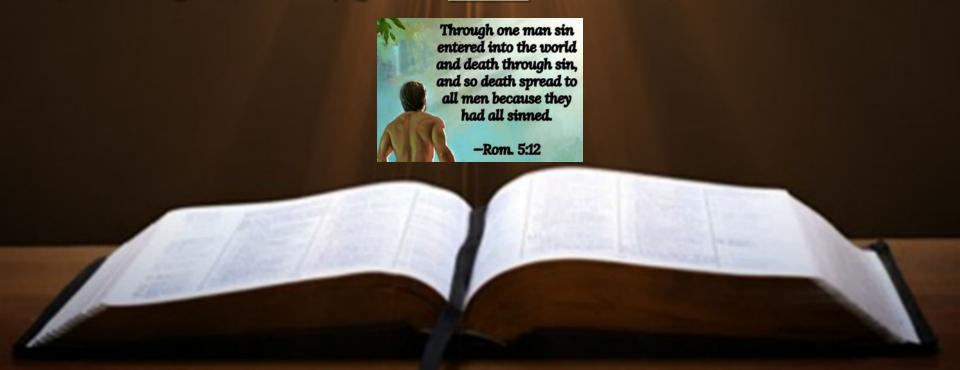
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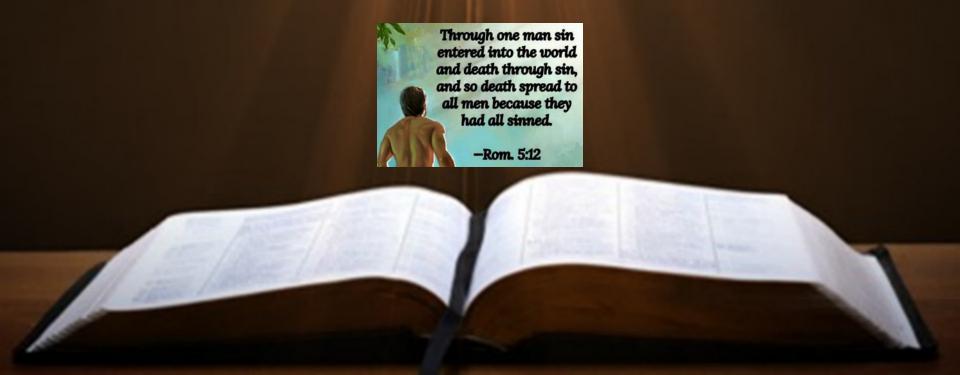
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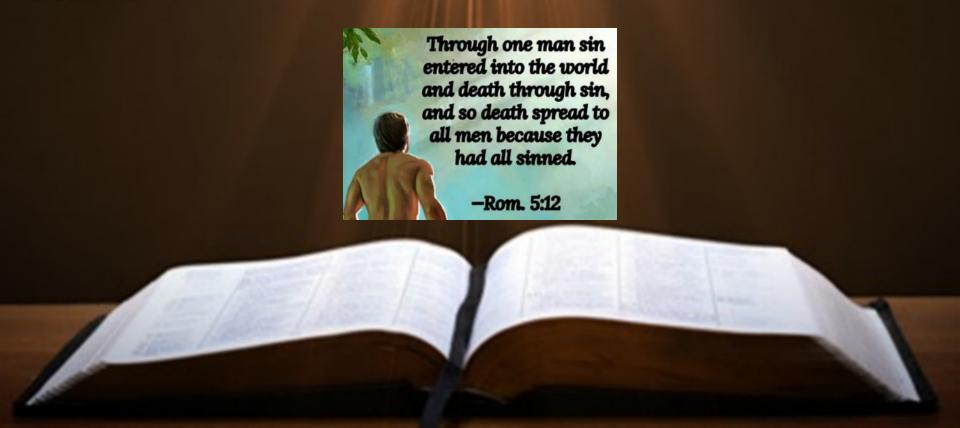
Genesis 2:16-17

"16 The Lord God commanded the man, saying, 'From any tree of the garden you may eat freely; 17 but from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat from it you will surely die (muwth)."



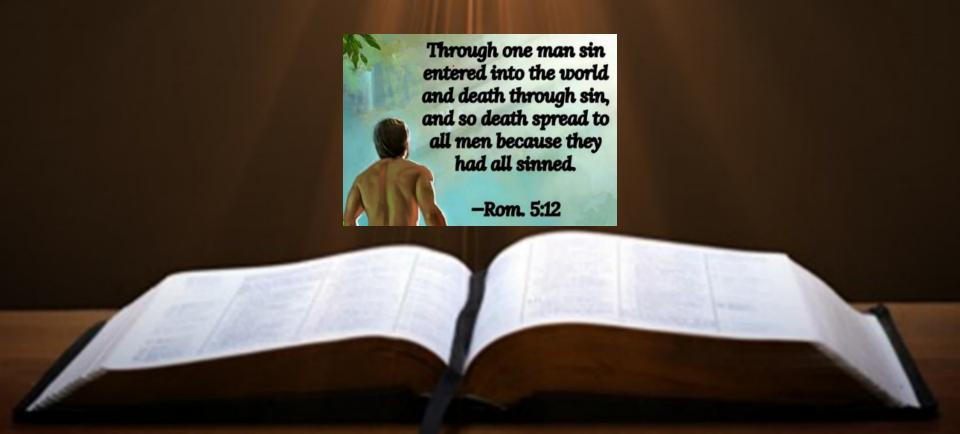
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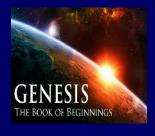


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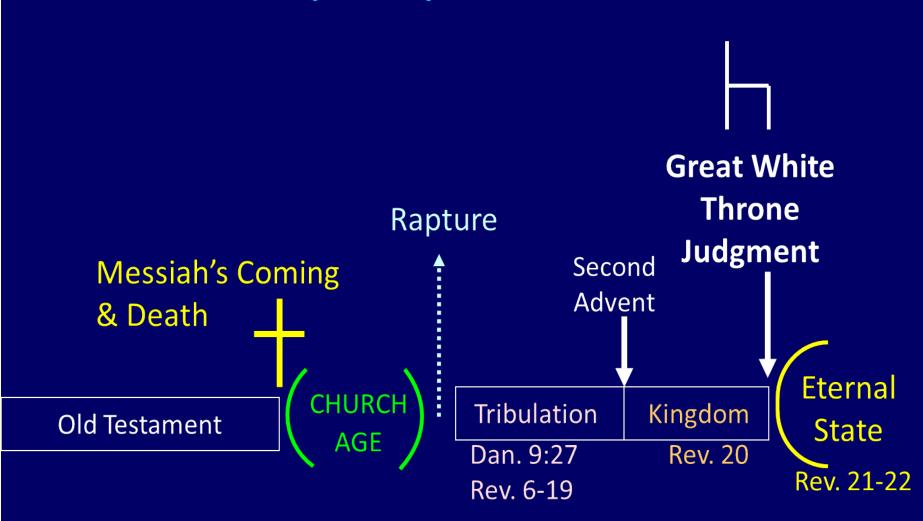


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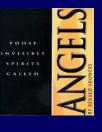
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Renald Showers

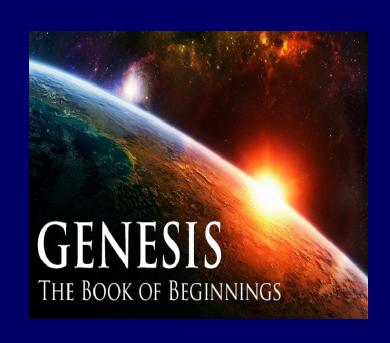


Renald Showers, *Those Invisible Spirits Called Angels* (Bellmawr, NJ: Friends of Israel, 1997), 82-83.

"When did Satan fall away from God? We noted earlier that sin was nonexistent in every part of God's creation, including the angels, through the end of the sixth or final day of creation (Gen. 1:31). Satan's fall therefore took place after the end of creation. However, Satan was evil by the time he came to earth to tempt man to fall away from God (Gen. 3). These things prompt the conclusion that Satan's fall took place in the interval between the end of creation and the fall of man. How long was the interval? It must have been quite short because when God created the first man and woman, he commanded them to be fruitful and multiply through procreation (Gen. 1:27–28), but there was no human conception until after the fall of man (Gen. 4:1)."

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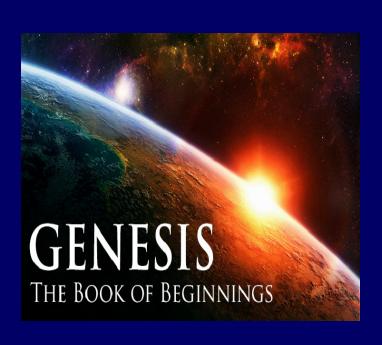


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- III. Length of the creation days
- IV. Canopy Theory (day 2)
- V. Light before the sun (day 4)
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- VII. Sabbath (day 7)
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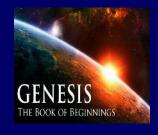


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Exodus 20:8-11

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Exodus 31:15-17

¹⁵ 'For six days work may be done, but on the seventh day there is a sabbath of complete rest, holy to the LORD; whoever does any work on the sabbath day shall surely be put to death. ¹⁶ 'So the sons of Israel shall observe the sabbath, to celebrate the sabbath throughout their generations as a perpetual covenant.' 17 "It is a sign between Me and the sons of Israel forever; for in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, but on the seventh day He ceased from labor, and was refreshed."



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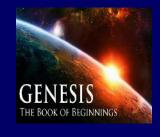
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Brewer, United States A Christian Nation, 27





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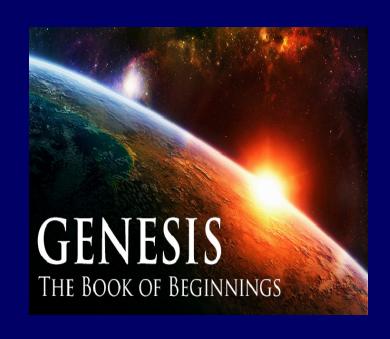
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