

Genesis 1 - 3

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The First Book of Moses, called ^[a]Genesis

1 I God created the heaven and the earth. 3 The light and the darkness, 8 The firmament, 9 He separateth the water from the earth. 16 He createth the sun, the moon, and the stars. 21 He createth the fish, birds, beasts, 26 He createth man, and giveth him rule over all creatures, 29 And provideth nurture for man and beast.

¹ In the ^[b]beginning God created the heaven and the earth.

² And the earth was ^{[c][d]}without form and void, and ^[e]darkness was upon the ^[f]deep, and the Spirit of God ^[g]moved upon the ^[h]waters.

³ Then God said, Let there be light: And there was ^[i]light.

⁴ And God saw the light that it was good, and God separated ^[j]the light from the darkness.

⁵ And God called the Light, Day, and the darkness he called Night. ^[k]So the evening and the morning were the first day.

⁶ ¶ Again God said, Let there be a ^[l]firmament in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters.

⁷ Then God made the firmament, and separated the waters, which were ^[m]under the firmament, from the waters which were above the firmament: and it was so.

⁸ And God called the firmament, ^[n]Heaven. So the evening and the morning were the second day.

⁹ ¶ God said again, Let the waters under the heaven be gathered into one place, and let the dry land appear: and it was so.

¹⁰ And God called the dry land, Earth, and he called the gathering together of the waters, Seas: and God saw that it was good.

¹¹ Then God said, ^[o]Let the earth bud forth the bud of the herb, that seedeth seed, the fruitful tree, which beareth fruit according to his kind, which hath his seed in itself upon the earth: and it was so.

¹² And the earth brought forth the bud of the herb, that seedeth seed according to his kind, also the tree that beareth fruit, which hath his seed in itself according to his kind: and God ^[p]saw that it was good.

¹³ So the evening and the morning were the third day.

¹⁴ ¶ And God said, Let there be ^[q]lights in the firmament of the heaven, to ^[r]separate the day from the night, and let them be for ^[s]signs, and for seasons, and for days, and years.

¹⁵ And let them be for lights in the firmament of the heaven to give light upon the earth: and it was so.

¹⁶ God then made two great ^[t]lights: the greater light to ^[u]rule the day, and the lesser light to rule the night: he *made* also the stars.

¹⁷ And God set them in the firmament of the heaven, to shine upon the earth,

¹⁸ And to rule in the day, and in the night, and to separate the light from the darkness: and God saw that it was good.

¹⁹ So the evening and the morning were the fourth day.

²⁰ Afterward God said, Let the waters bring forth in abundance *every* ^[v]creeping thing that hath ^[w]life: and let the fowl fly upon the earth in the ^[x]open firmament of the heaven.

²¹ Then God created the great whales, and everything living and moving, which the ^[y]waters brought forth in abundance according to their kind, and every feathered fowl according to his kind: and God saw that it was good.

²² Then God ^[z]blessed them, saying, Bring forth fruit and multiply, and fill the waters in the seas, and let the fowl multiply in the earth.

²³ So the evening and the morning were the fifth day.

²⁴ ¶ Moreover God said, Let the earth bring forth the ^[aa]living thing according to his kind, cattle, and that which creepeth, and the beast of the earth according to his kind, and it was so.

²⁵ And God made the beast of the earth according to his kind, and the cattle according to his kind, and every creeping thing of the earth according to his kind: and God saw that it was good.

²⁶ Furthermore God said, ^[ab]Let us make man in our ^[ac]image according to our likeness, and let them rule over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the heaven, and over the beasts, and over all the earth, and over everything that creepeth and moveth on the earth.

²⁷ Thus God created the man in his image: in the image of God created he him: he created them male and female.

²⁸ And God ^[ad]blessed them, and God said to them, Bring forth fruit, and multiply, and fill the earth, and subdue it, and rule over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the heaven, and over every beast that moveth upon the earth.

²⁹ And God said, Behold, I have given unto you ^[ae]every herb bearing seed, which is upon all the earth, and every tree, wherein is the fruit of a tree bearing seed: *that* shall be to you for meat.

³⁰ Likewise to every beast of the earth, and to every fowl of the heaven, and to everything that moveth upon the earth, which hath life in itself, every green herb *shall be* for meat, and it was so.

³¹ And God saw all that he had made, and lo, it was very good. So the evening and the morning were the sixth day.

Footnotes:

1. Genesis 1:1 This word signifieth the beginning and generation of the creatures.
2. Genesis 1:1 First of all, and before that any creature was, God made heaven and earth of nothing.
3. Genesis 1:2 As a rude lump and without any creature in it: for the waters covered all.
4. Genesis 1:2 Or, waste.
5. Genesis 1:2 Darkness covered the deep waters, for as yet the light was not created.
6. Genesis 1:2 Hebrew, *face of the deep*.
7. Genesis 1:2 He maintained this confused heap by his secret power.
8. Genesis 1:2 Hebrew, *face of the waters*.
9. Genesis 1:3 The light was made before either Sun or Moon was created: therefore we must not attribute that to the creatures that are God's instruments, which only appertaineth to God.
10. Genesis 1:4 Hebrew, *between the light, and between the darkness*.
11. Genesis 1:5 Hebrew, *so was the evening, so was the morning*.
12. Genesis 1:6 Or, spreading over, and air.
13. Genesis 1:7 As the sea and rivers, from those waters that are in the clouds, which are upheld by God's power, lest they should overwhelm the world.
14. Genesis 1:8 That is, the region of the air, and all that is above us.
15. Genesis 1:11 So that we see it is the only power of God's word that maketh the earth fruitful, which else naturally is barren.
16. Genesis 1:12 This sentence is so oft repeated, to signify that God made all his creatures to serve to his glory, and to the profit of man: but for sin they were accursed, yet to the elect, by Christ they are restored, and serve to their wealth.
17. Genesis 1:14 By the lights he meaneth the Sun, the Moon, and the Stars.
18. Genesis 1:14 Which is the artificial day, from the Sun rising, to the going down.
19. Genesis 1:14 Of things appertaining to natural and political orders and seasons.
20. Genesis 1:16 To wit, the Sun and the Moon, and here he speaketh, as man judgeth by his eye: for else the Moon is less than the planet Saturn.
21. Genesis 1:16 To give it sufficient light, as instruments appointed for the same, to serve to man's use.
22. Genesis 1:20 As fish and worms which slide, swim, or creep.
23. Genesis 1:20 Hebrew, *the soul of life*.
24. Genesis 1:20 Hebrew, *face of the firmament*.

25. Genesis 1:21 The fish and fowls had both one beginning, wherein we see that nature giveth place to God's will, forasmuch as the one sort is made to fly about in the air, and the other to swim beneath in the water.
26. Genesis 1:22 That is, by the virtue of his word he gave power to his creatures to engender.
27. Genesis 1:24 Hebrew, *soul of life*.
28. Genesis 1:26 God commanded the water and the earth to bring forth other creatures: but of man he saith, Let us make: signifying, that God taketh counsel with his wisdom and virtue, purposing to make an excellent work above all the rest of his creation.
29. Genesis 1:26 This image and likeness of God in man is expounded, Eph. 4:24, where it is written that man was created after God in righteousness and true holiness, meaning by these two words, all perfection, as wisdom, truth, innocence, power, etc.
30. Genesis 1:28 The propagation of man is the blessing of God, Ps. 128.
31. Genesis 1:29 God's great liberality to man, taketh away all excuse of his ingratitude.

Genesis 2

2 2 God resteth the seventh day, and sanctifieth it. 15 He setteth man in the garden. 22 He createth the woman. 24 Marriage is ordained.

¹ Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all the ^[a]host of them.

² For in the seventh day God ended his work which he had made, and the seventh day he ^[b]rested from all his work, which he had made.

³ So God blessed the seventh day, and ^[c]sanctified it, because that in it he had rested from all his work, which God created and made.

⁴ ¶ These are the ^[d]generations of the heavens and of the earth, when they were created, in the day, that the Lord God made the earth and the heavens,

⁵ And every ^[e]plant of the field, before it was in the earth, and every herb of the field, before it grew, for the Lord God had not caused it to ^[f]rain upon the earth, neither *was there* a man to till the ground,

⁶ But a mist went up from the earth, and watered all the earth.

⁷ ¶ The Lord God also ^[g]made the man ^[h]of the dust of the ground, and breathed in his face breath of life, and the man was a living soul.

⁸ And the Lord God planted a garden Eastward in ^[i]Eden, and there he put the man whom he had made.

⁹ (For out of the ground made the Lord God to grow every tree pleasant to the sight, and good for meat: the ^[j]tree of life also in the midst of the garden, ^[k]and the tree of knowledge of good and of evil.

¹⁰ And out of Eden went a river to water the garden, and from thence it was divided, and became into four heads.

¹¹ The name of one *is* Pishon: the same compasseth the whole land of ^[l]Havilah, where is gold.

¹² And the gold of that land is good: there *is* ^[m]Bdellium, and the Onyx stone.

¹³ And the name of the second river *is* Gihon: the same compasseth the whole land of ^[n]Cush.

¹⁴ And the name of the [third] river *is* ^[o]Hiddekel: this goeth toward the East side of ^[p]Ashshur: and the fourth river is ^[q]Parah)

¹⁵ ¶ Then the Lord God took the man, and put him into the garden of Eden, that he might ^[r]dress it, and keep it.

¹⁶ And the Lord God ^[s]commanded the man, saying, ^[t]Thou shalt eat freely of every tree of the garden,

¹⁷ But of the tree of knowledge of good and evil, thou shalt not eat of it: for ^[u]in the day that thou eatest thereof, thou shalt die the ^[v]death.

¹⁸ Also the Lord God said, It is not good that the man should be himself alone: I will make him an help ^[w]meet for him.

¹⁹ So the Lord God formed of the earth every beast of the field, and every fowl of the heaven, and brought *them* unto the ^[x]man to see how he would call *them*: for howsoever the man named the living creature, so was the name thereof.

²⁰ The man therefore gave names unto all cattle, and to the fowl of the heaven, and to every beast of the field: but for Adam found he not an helper meet for him.

²¹ ¶ Therefore the Lord God caused an heavy sleep to fall upon the man, and he slept: and he took one of his ribs, and closed up the flesh in stead thereof.

²² And the rib which the Lord God had taken from the man, ^[y]made he a ^[z]woman, and brought her to the man.

²³ Then the man said, This now is bone of my bones, and flesh of my flesh. She shall be called ^[aa]woman, because she was taken out of the man.

²⁴ Therefore shall man leave ^[ab]his father and his mother, and shall cleave to his wife, and they shall be one flesh.

²⁵ And they were both naked, the man and his wife, and they were not ^[ac]ashamed.

Footnotes:

1. Genesis 2:1 That is, the innumerable abundance of creatures in heaven and earth.
2. Genesis 2:2 For he had now finished his creation, but his providence still watcheth over his creatures, and governeth them.
3. Genesis 2:3 Appointed it to be kept holy, that man might therein consider the excellency of his works and God's goodness toward him.
4. Genesis 2:4 Or, the original and beginning.
5. Genesis 2:5 Or, tree, as Gen. 21:15.
6. Genesis 2:5 God only openeth the heavens and shutteth them, he sendeth drought and rain according to his good pleasure.
7. Genesis 2:7 Or, formed.
8. Genesis 2:7 He showeth whereof man's body was created, to the intent that man should not glory in the excellency of his own nature.
9. Genesis 2:8 This was the name of a place, as some think in Mesopotamia, most pleasant and abundant in all things.
10. Genesis 2:9 Which was a sign of the life received of God.
11. Genesis 2:9 That is, of miserable experience, which came by disobeying God.
12. Genesis 2:11 Which Havilah is a country joining to Persia Eastward, and inclineth toward the West.
13. Genesis 2:12 Or, precious stone, or pearl. Pliny saith it is the name of a tree.
14. Genesis 2:13 Or, Ethiopia.
15. Genesis 2:14 Or, Tigris.
16. Genesis 2:14 Or, Assyria.
17. Genesis 2:14 Or, Euphrates.
18. Genesis 2:15 God would not have man idle, though as yet there was no need to labor.
19. Genesis 2:16 So that man might know there was a sovereign Lord, to whom he owed obedience.
20. Genesis 2:16 Hebrew, *eating thou shalt eat of*.
21. Genesis 2:17 Or, whensoever.
22. Genesis 2:17 By this death he meaneth the separation of man from God, who is our life and chief felicity: and also that our disobedience is the cause thereof.
23. Genesis 2:18 Hebrew, *before him*.
24. Genesis 2:19 By moving them to come and submit themselves to Adam.
25. Genesis 2:22 Hebrew, *built*.
26. Genesis 2:22 Signifying that mankind was perfect, when the woman was created, which before was like an imperfect building.
27. Genesis 2:23 Or, Manness, because she cometh of man: for in Hebrew *Ish* is man, and *Ishah* the woman.
28. Genesis 2:24 So that marriage requireth a greater duty of us toward our wives, than otherwise we are bound to show to our parents.
29. Genesis 2:25 For before sin entered, all things were honest and comely.

Genesis 3

3 1 *The woman seduced by the serpent, 6 enticeth her husband to sin. 8 They both flee from God. 14 They three are punished. 15 Christ is promised. 19 Man is dust. 22 Man is cast out of Paradise.*

¹ Now the serpent was more ^[a]subtle than any beast of the field, which the Lord God had made: and he ^[b]said to the woman, Yea, hath God indeed said, ye shall not eat of every tree of the garden?

² And the woman said unto the serpent, We eat of the fruit of the trees of the garden.

³ But of the fruit of the tree which is in the midst of the garden, God hath said, Ye shall not eat of it, neither shall ye touch it, ^[c]lest ye die.

⁴ Then the serpent said to the woman, Ye shall not ^{[d][e]}die at all,

⁵ But God doth know that when ye shall eat thereof, your eyes shall be opened, and ye shall be as gods, ^[f]knowing good and evil.

⁶ So the woman (seeing that the tree was good for meat, and that it was pleasant to the eyes, and a tree to be desired, to get knowledge) took of the fruit thereof, and did eat, and gave also to her husband with her, and he ^[g]did eat.

⁷ Then the eyes of them both were opened, and they ^[h]knew that they were naked, and they sewed fig tree leaves together, and made themselves ^[i]breeches.

⁸ ¶ Afterward they heard the voice of the Lord God walking in the garden in the ^[j]cool of the day, and the man and his wife ^[k]hid themselves from the presence of the Lord God among the trees of the garden.

⁹ But the Lord God called to the man, and said unto him, Where art thou?

¹⁰ Who said, I heard thy voice in the garden and was afraid: because I was ^[l]naked, therefore I hid myself.

¹¹ And he said, Who told thee that thou wast naked? Hast thou eaten of the tree whereof I commanded thee that thou shouldest not eat?

¹² Then the man said, The woman which thou ^[m]gavest *to be* with me, she gave me of the tree, and I did eat.

¹³ And the Lord God said to the woman, Why hast thou done this? And the woman said, ^[n]The serpent beguiled me, and I did eat.

¹⁴ ¶ Then the Lord God said to the serpent, ^[o]Because thou hast done this, thou art cursed above all cattle, and above every beast of the field: upon thy belly shalt thou go, and ^[p]dust shalt thou eat all the days of thy life.

¹⁵ I will also put enmity between ^[q]thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed. He shall break thine ^[r]head, and thou shalt ^[s]bruise his heel.

¹⁶ ¶ Unto the woman he said, I will greatly increase thy ^[t]sorrows, and thy conceptions. In sorrow shalt thou bring forth children, and thy desire *shall be subject* to thine husband, and he shall rule over thee.

¹⁷ ¶ Also to Adam he said, Because thou hast obeyed the voice of thy wife, and hast eaten of the tree, (whereof I commanded thee, saying, Thou shalt not eat of it) ^[u]cursed *is* the earth for thy sake: in sorrow shalt thou eat of it all the days of thy life.

¹⁸ ^[v]Thorns also and thistles shall it bring forth to thee, and thou shalt eat the herb of the field.

¹⁹ In the sweat of thy face shalt thou eat bread till thou return to the earth: for out of it wast thou taken, because thou art dust, and to dust shalt thou return.

²⁰ (And the man called his wife's name Eve, because she was the mother of all living)

²¹ Unto Adam also and to his wife did the Lord God ^[w]make coats of skins, and clothed them.

²² ¶ And the Lord God said, ^[x]Behold, the man is become as one of us, to know good and evil. And now lest he put forth his hand, and ^[y]take also of the tree of life, and eat, and live forever,

²³ Therefore the Lord God sent him forth from the garden of Eden, to till the earth, whence he was taken.

²⁴ Thus he cast out the man, and at the East side of the garden of Eden he set the Cherubims, and the blade of a sword shaken, to keep the way of the tree of life.

Footnotes:

1. Genesis 3:1 As Satan can change himself into an Angel of light, so did he abuse the wisdom of the serpent to deceive man.
2. Genesis 3:1 God suffered Satan to make the serpent his instrument and to speak in him.
3. Genesis 3:3 In doubting of God's threatenings she yielded to Satan.
4. Genesis 3:4 This is Satan's chiefest subtlety, to cause us not to fear God's threatenings.
5. Genesis 3:4 Hebrew, *die the death*.
6. Genesis 3:5 As though he should say, God doth not forbid you to eat of the fruit, save that he knoweth that if ye should eat thereof, ye should be like to him.
7. Genesis 3:6 Not so much to please his wife, as moved by ambition at her persuasion.
8. Genesis 3:7 They began to feel their misery, but they sought not to God for remedy.
9. Genesis 3:7 Hebrew, *things to gird about them to hide their privities*.

10. Genesis 3:8 Or, wind.
11. Genesis 3:8 The sinful conscience fleeth God's presence.
12. Genesis 3:10 His hypocrisy appeareth in that he hid the cause of his nakedness, which was the transgression of God's commandment.
13. Genesis 3:12 His wickedness and lack of true repentance appeareth in this that he burdeneth God with his fault, because he had given him a wife.
14. Genesis 3:13 Instead of confessing her sin, she increaseth it by accusing the serpent.
15. Genesis 3:14 He asked the reason of Adam and his wife, because he would bring them to repentance, but he asketh not the serpent, because he would show him no mercy.
16. Genesis 3:14 As a vile and contemptible beast, Isa. 65:25.
17. Genesis 3:15 He chiefly meaneth Satan, by whose motion and craft the serpent deceived the woman.
18. Genesis 3:15 That is, the power of sin and death.
19. Genesis 3:15 Satan shall sting Christ and his members, but not overcome them.
20. Genesis 3:16 The Lord comforteth Adam by the promise of the blessed seed, and also punisheth the body for the sin which the soul should have been punished for; that the spirit having conceived hope of forgiveness, might live by faith.
21. Genesis 3:17 The transgression of God's commandment was the cause that both mankind and all other creatures were subject to the curse.
22. Genesis 3:18 These are not the natural fruits of the earth, but proceed of the corruption of sin.
23. Genesis 3:21 Or, gave them knowledge to make themselves coats.
24. Genesis 3:22 By this derision he reproacheth Adam's misery, whereinto he was fallen by ambition.
25. Genesis 3:22 Adam deprived of life, lost also the sign thereof.