



**“LEARNING THE RIGHT WAY”**

## **A Study in the Book of Genesis**

**THE FOCUS** of this study is to learn how to live the life you have been given **THE RIGHT WAY**.

This study will help you to learn how to live life the way God intended. We will learn how to live life by looking at the life lessons in Genesis. The personalities in the book of Genesis rebelled against God’s original plan for life; we now have the opportunity to learn some serious life lessons from them.

God made man in his image and created a perfect world that was beautiful for man to live. However, the world and man that God created didn’t stay perfect for very long.

The word **Genesis**, means “**origin**.”

Genesis marks the beginning of the world, civilization, mankind, sin, and salvation.

In Genesis, we learn through man’s disobedience how sin entered the world. Who’s to blame for sin, God or man? God simply gave man what He Himself possessed, free will. In return, man abused what God wanted Him to freely exercise.

Genesis starts the restoration story. The book describes how God had to develop a plan to redeem man. The plan starts with Abraham, whom God choose to bless the rest of mankind.

Genesis deals with real life situations. The personalities were involved in issues that are still causing people to fall into transgressions today. Those transgressions include lying, stealing from each other, betrayal, physical abuse, rape, misuse of power, family discord, and the list goes on.

**THE GOAL** of this study is for you to learn from the personalities in this book on **how to live your life the way God intended**.

Thank you for joining me as we study together the Book of Genesis.

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# Lesson 1

## The Creative Mind

### Genesis 1

**OBJECTIVE:** To accept the challenge to reignite your creative mind to grow spiritually and move into a consistent use of your gifts and talents.

This may sound simple, but I am amazed by the power of creativity. If you take the time to sit, think, and observe the world you cannot help but to see the power of creativity. Think about the tallest building in the world. Think about the most unique house you have seen. Think about the ability of your smart TV. All that we see around us is the result of the **creative mind**.

The world was created by the **creative mind of God**.

**Read Genesis 1:1** - It was God who *created* the heavens and the earth.

In His creativity, He created everything man would need to live and survive on this earth. God created all the natural resources that are still apart of our lives today.

If God was so creative in the beginning in making the heavens and the earth, shouldn't you and I possess some of that same creative power?

When are your creative powers most effective and operative in your life?

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### LESSON IDEAS

#### Idea 1: Take Charge of Your Creative Powers

##### Re-read Genesis 1:1

Look up the word *create* in the dictionary to understand the meaning. Then write your definition of creativity:

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**Read Psalm 102:25** - What does it say about God's creativity?

In Genesis 1:1, we learn who God is: *Elohim* God, the creator God.

Why did God choose to create?

Read the following scriptures and explain your answer:

**Psalm 19:1-4**

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**John 1:1**

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**Psalm 148** - The handiwork of God shows off His glory

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**Read John 1:1-13 & Colossians 1:15-19**

What do we learn from this scripture about the role of Christ in creation?

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**QUESTION:** What needs to happen in your life for you to be more motivated so you can be creative in your activities and purpose?

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**Read Genesis 1:2**

In the beginning, we see the role of the Holy Spirit in creation.

Note the following scriptures and note how the Holy Spirit works

Ezekiel 36:26-27 \_\_\_\_\_

John 7:38-39 \_\_\_\_\_

Romans 8:26 \_\_\_\_\_

## Idea 2: Each Day Exercise Your Creativity

### The Days of Creation

#### **Day 1: 1:3-5**

God said, let there be \_\_\_\_\_. God created Night and Day, Evening and Morning.

Read: Psalm 90 and 2 Peter 3:8

How should we regard the "day" in Genesis 1?

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#### **Day 2: 1:6-8**

God said, let there be \_\_\_\_\_. God created the heavens. God separated the waters.

Consider how God separated the bodies of water, the water from the earth and the water from above the earth. Consider the power of God how water is suspended in the heavens and showers down on the earth when the Lord sees fit to send down rain upon the earth.

**Spiritual Application:** If God is able to do that type of separation with the waters, consider how God can separate negative attitudes and positive attitudes in your life? Will you think about how God can do a separating work in your life so you can focus on being creative?

#### **Day 3: 1:9-13**

God said, let the waters gather in one place. God created the earth and called the waters seas.

God said, let the earth sprout vegetation: plants, fruit trees.

#### **Day 4: 14-19**

God said, let there be \_\_\_\_\_. God created lights in the sky to identify signs and let the light be for seasons and for days and years.

God made two great lights -- the sun for the day and the moon and the stars for night.

**Spiritual Application:** If you had to ask God to shine his light on an area of your life that will help you be more productive and creative, what area would that be?

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#### **Day 5: 1:20-23**

God made the animals of the water and the birds that fly.

#### **Day 6: 1:24-31**

God created man in His image and told man to be fruitful and multiply.

What do you think God meant by fruitful and multiply?

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What attributes do you possess that set you apart?

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Why do some people try to suppress and downplay that they are made in the image of God?

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**Day 7: 2:1-2**

God completed His work and He rested on the seventh day.

**CONCLUSION:**

**Read 2:1-2**

What did God rest from?

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What have you completed in the first quarter of 2021?

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