

## **Genesis: The Coming into Being of Mankind and the Continuation of the Plan of Salvation**

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The Book of Genesis is named such for a reason, a very specific reason in fact. It is as the title states: The coming into being of Mankind and much more. There is a continuous stream of knowledge in the first three chapters introducing us to many patterns placed into this next step of creation by the Elohim for the continuance of the Plan, which had become a Plan of Salvation out of necessity because sin entered into the angelic realm. Many of these patterns are imbedded within spiritual and physical laws which were not to be broken. We will be pointing out and developing many of them in this segment of the study. Most of these patterns are new in one way or another to the Overall Plan. Very specific course corrections were made after many of the angels had been deceived and entered into sin under the first set of rules put in place at their creation.

Now, there is going to be an accountability process put in the Plan which did not exist previously. With that accountability, a reconciliation path was added in the event it would be needed. Our Creators, the Elohim/Godhead, love Their creation as They love Themselves.

We have no doubt that They were heartbroken to see Their physical creation subjected to decay and destruction with the rebellion of Satan and his angels. However, They are determined to complete Their Plan with the goal of sharing Their eternal existence of the joy and happiness of righteousness in Oneness, with as many created beings as They can. Thus, we enter into man's timeline in that endeavor.

**Genesis 1:1** *In the beginning God (Elohim) created the heavens and the earth* (Eden with its clouds and ground as earlier covered in the first segment).

This is referencing the beginning of the angelic creation as well as many of the elements of the physical creation. **The earth was to be used as a testing grounds for the angels** to, hopefully, develop the noble character traits of the Elohim

which would enable them to share in Their Oneness for eternity. In verse 2, we are seeing the Elohim describe the aftermath of what Satan and his sinning angels had done to the earth, the Eden they had been entrusted to guard from injury and harm (Jude 6, #5083 tereo). Between verse 1 and 2 we have a vast untold span of time taking place.

**Genesis 1:2** *And the earth had become a desolate, empty place, and the darkness (was) over the saddened countenance of the deep and the spirit of God (Elohim) moved gently in oversight of the saddened countenance of the waters.* (#6440 paneh, see also Vines and BDB)

The Elohim, through the Being we know as the Word/Jesus, are about to restore the beauty to the earth which it once had, with the purpose of placing man on, and over it, to see what physically dependent beings with limited time spans completely tied to it for their existence would do. **The stage is set in verses 3 through 25 to establish the necessary conditions man would need to develop the character traits to qualify to live in Oneness with the Elohim for eternity.**

### **Course Correction**

It is important to understand that man was not created perfect from the beginning like the angels were. Man would have to grow in perfection through trials and tests. That is a big deviation from the first created beings. Many of them went the opposite way; from perfection to imperfection, but not all! Our Creators, the Elohim/Godhead, have placed many physical patterns in this creation to identify Themselves as well as the functions in righteousness that we are expected to follow. We cited **Romans 1:19-20** at the conclusion of the first chapter with the accurate translation from the J.P. Green Sr. Interlinear Bible. We inserted the correct use for *autos* when identifying our Creators. It follows:

**Romans 1:19-20** *Because the things known of God (Elohim) are clearly known within them (autos), for God (Elohim) revealed it to them (autos); for the unseen things of Them (autos) from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things which are made, both Their (hautou) eternal power and Godhead, for them (autos) to be without excuse.*

These patterns in creation, which instruct us about the Elohim and Their Plan and its desired outcomes and goals, are just magnificent when able to be understood at this time in our calling as the Bride of Christ/Messiah. The chart on page 4 is a sample of some significant patterns that further define Romans 1:19-20. Notice that both the moon cycle and the life cycle of a woman depict the annual Rehearsals that the Elohim have given us as milestones for understanding the Plan of Salvation for man. Once again, there are many patterns established in the first 3 chapters of Genesis. Let's look at a few of them.

### **The Pattern of the Word of Elohim as Light**

**Genesis 1:3-5** *Then God (Elohim) said, let light be, and there was light. And God (Elohim) saw the light, that it was good (for Their purposes). Thus God (Elohim) separated between the light and the darkness. And called the light Day, and the darkness He (The Word) called Night; and thus, was evening and was morning, day one.*

Ask yourself, where did this light come from since the sun, moon, and stars will not be created until day 4 when their light will shine on the earth? The Bible holds the simple answer.

**John 1:4-5** *In Him (The Word) was life, and the life was the light of men, and the light illuminates in the darkness, and the darkness did not overtake it.*

**Revelation 21:23** *And the city had no need of the sun and moon to shine in it, for the glory of God (Elohim) illuminated it, and the Lamb is its light.*

**Revelation 22:5** *And there shall be no night there: they need no lamp nor light of the sun, for the Lord God (Adonay Yehovih) gives them light. And they reign forever and ever.*

Do we believe that? The light on day 1 through 3 was directly from the Elohim, and specifically from The Word/Jesus/The Lamb. There is no coincidence in that the apostle John is giving us this instruction from his accounts, for he was commissioned as the last living apostle of the 12, to correct widespread apostasy and winds of doctrine blowing through the churches. Pagan philosophy and practice were flooding the body, along with a rewrite of the Churches history.

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Day	*Menstrual Cycle	Rehearsals of the first month	Rehearsals of the seventh month
1	Menses occurs, (a visible sign the cycle has started). Graafian follicles and their ova begin to grow and develop. Follicular cells proliferate and start to secrete estrogen in increasing amounts for about two weeks.	The beginning of the first month Abib and the new year with the visible appearance of the crescent moon and the barley being in a state of aviv. The new moon grows for 14 days to complete the first phase of its cycle until it is full on day 15.	Feast of Trumpets & beginning of 7th month. Once again at the sighting of the crescent, the new moon, (a visible sign). This is the only holy day which falls on a new moon.
10	The ovum undergoes a special type of Mitosis called Meiosis, in which its number of Chromosomes is reduced by half. It is a time of separation.	The Passover lamb is selected and separated from the flock and kept within close quarters to insure it is properly prepared and that no injury occurs or blemish develops.	Feast of Atonement, a day of separation from food and water and a putting away of Satan. He is kept separated from man for 1000 years so their minds are not subject to his evil.
14	Preovulation Phase ends with the 14th day. The endometrium has been prepared for pregnancy. It is now ready to receive the ovum because its water content has increased and its walls thickened.	The Passover of the Yehovah, and until this time, we could not become begotten children of Father Elohim. Christ died on this day and made it possible for those called by Father to be begotten by Him, after His kind, so that they are able to marry His Son, the second Adam and be fruitful and multiply.	The first 14 day cycle of the moon ends with the full moon ushering in both the Feast of Tabernacles and the Days of Unleavened bread. This day is a day of preparation for ushering in the next phase. One must have prepared for both to be acceptable to Father and Son.
15	Ovulation takes place, the Corpus Luteum grows into a golden colored body and for 7 to 8 days, we find the ovum ready to be fertilized. During this time it secretes both progesterone and estrogen. Physical processes depicting the spiritual reality of the fruit of the spirit and the gifts of Christ.	Start of the Days of Unleavened Bread (DUB) for seven days. Leaven is kept out of our bodies and our dwellings. This is also the day Yehovah gave His instruction on the laws of the firstborn to Moses and thus to Israel. These firstborn/firstfruits, will be where the Bride of Christ is chosen from. These 7 days represent the qualifying time for the First Marriage Covenant participants. The time for the SMC participants comes out of this timeline.	Feast of Tabernacles (which also runs for 7 days). It depicts a time when Physical Israel will tabernacle with Christ. He and His Bride will be working with physical Israel restoring it to its place of honor among the nations. The Gentile nations will be blessed through Israel in their obedience and worship of the Elohim as it was originally intended to be.
21	The opportunity for fertilization still continues within the normal cycle.	The time for physical Israel to qualify for the bride ends with the last day DUB. It is during the 49-day count to Pentecost which starts during the DUB that Christ chooses the few, from the many to complete the number for His Bride. Pentecost is the Jubilee of the Bride the 144,000 are completed.	The last day of the Feast of Tabernacles and thus the command to live in booths ends. Israel has repented and had developed a joyful and obedient relationship with the Household of the Elohim.
22	This is an exception to the normal 7-day cycle of fertilization. It is the 8 <sup>th</sup> day.	The count to the Feast of Pentecost is underway. That is the first resurrection. Seven weeks, 49 days plus 1. The firstborn/firstfruits of the 2 Marriage Covenants are united with Christ their Savior/Husband.	The Eighth Day depicts the Judgment and Circumcision of the heart of all the Gentile Nations who are willing to repent and accept the terms and conditions which will further their existence with the Elohim and Their family in Oneness.
28	Cycle ends. Progesterone secretion has ceased entirely and estrogen has reached a minimum.	The moon goes dark for one or two days, in which time the conjunction takes place prior to the crescent of the moon reappearing and the cycle repeating.	The completion of the Plan of Salvation is complete and now moves to the Plan for the Universe to become the next Eden.

\* "Textbook of Anatomy and Physiology," eighth edition, Anthony and Kolthoff.

## The Pattern of the Heavens

**Genesis 1:6-8** *And God (Elohim) said, let an expanse be in the midst of the waters, and let it divide between the waters (of the earth) and the waters (of the atmosphere). And God (Elohim) made the expanse and the water which were above the expanse. And it was so. And God (Elohim) called the expanse, Heavens. And there was evening and there was morning the second day.*

Here on day 2, the Heavens were created. But, which ones? Heavens is **Shameh** in Hebrew. In relationship to the earth's atmosphere, there are two talked about in scripture. They both comprise the atmosphere. First, we have the heaven where the birds fly. In this heaven we find abundant oxygen to sustain life. Second, we have the upper area of the atmosphere which is too cold to sustain life even though there is some oxygen there. In this region we have the things like the jet stream, aurora borealis, etc. Scripture calls this region of the atmosphere "God's Storehouse" (heavens in Vines; Job 38:29, Isa 55:10, Gen 19:24) where the hail, snow, and winds are stored for their future use. Both of these regions are used for the cycle of precipitation we call the Hydrological Cycle. These are important functions that needed to be in place before the creation could continue for all the obvious reasons. The throne of the Elohim and the vastness of the universe are also referenced as "heavens" in scripture as well.

**Genesis 1:9** *And God (Elohim) said, let the waters under the heavens be collected in one place, and let the dry land appear. And it was so.*

Satan's temper tantrum on earth left all the areas of ground/dirt destroyed as well as all the life existing on them. He despised having to keep and guard the Earth/Eden from injury and loss, it being so inferior to him and not worthy of his greatness. But the Elohim loved it dearly and now all that was left on the surface was water. All the life forms dependent on the ecosystem relevant to dirt were destroyed. It is very touching to us in verse 2 above when we read "*... the spirit of God (Elohim) moving gently on the saddened countenance of the waters.*"

## The Pattern of Seeds and Reproduction for Life

**Genesis 1:10-11** *And God (Elohim) called the dry land, Earth. And He (The Word) called the collective of the waters, Seas. The earth*

*sprouted tender sprouts; plants conceiving seed, and the fruit tree producing fruit **after its kind**, whichever seed was in it on the earth. And it was so.*

At this time one of the great patterns in creation is implemented. It would all start with the simplicity of a seed being used to reproduce itself after its own kind. We are not instructed in scripture if this process actually existed prior to the angelic rebellion, but it was certainly put in place in creation for man to gain understanding about the very Plan of Salvation. We will see here in Genesis the 1st chapter that this process was built into a myriad of life forms on the earth. The seed/egg would need to be fertilized to continue in the process of growth in life. All the initial plants and trees here were started by the spirit of the Elohim to grow to the point that they could be ready to produce after their own kind. That same pattern is used with Mary's conception. It was Father Elohim who gave life to Mary's seed so it could move forward with its part in producing the flesh and blood Christ. After this initial start, they would be heavily dependent on other forms of life to assist in their pollination for all future cycles. **Everything being created in this physical creation is going to be dependent on other members of their environment called earth to sustain their lives and life cycles. This is fundamental to the goals which were now set by the Elohim to complete Their Original Plan.** We will discuss many of these interrelationships or "species oneness" often in this study. This is the desired outcome for man, angels and the Elohim. It is written into creation. Please keep in mind the illumination of the spirit was still at work here on day 3. This pattern of producing seed after its own kind to perpetuate the species is so important the Elohim repeat it again. Two witnesses.

***Genesis 1:12-13** And the earth bore tender sprouts; the plant conceiving seed after its kind, and the fruit tree producing fruit after its kind, whichever seed is in it. And God (Elohim) saw that it was good. And there was evening, and there was morning the third day.*

Once again, the basic tenet or law of all physical life was put in place. It was not to be broken or changed in any way, shape, or form. It is a physical application of a spiritual reality. At the end of day three, we have everything in place to sustain

flesh-based life: water, air, ground, and plant life. Now the last physical components will be added.

### **The Pattern of Luminaries for Marking Time**

Here in Genesis 1, we are witnessing the Elohim putting in place all the underpinnings in creation for mankind to be able to utilize them in their growth in righteousness. We are seeing the advent of physical time being created. It had not existed like this before, for there was no need for it until a physical, time sensitive, temporary being would be created.

Now it was time to put a physical source of illumination in place that would go beyond the purpose of providing light, heat, and photosynthesis to the creation. These sources of illumination would be used to record time for man, for both the weekly Sabbath day rehearsal, and key components to the annual Rehearsals, the appointed times of meeting with the Elohim. There are no less than ten separate witnesses in the creation which attest to the start of the annual cycle put in place by the Creators. It is imbedded in the grasses (barley) and trees (figs, etc.) which existed prior to the sun and moon, and in the breathing life forms that fly in the air with the instinct put in them to do so as to their timing of migrating to the Land which is the only focal point on earth for the Elohim to start the beginning of the year and the end of the year. Man was to be left with no excuse to do so with the witnesses and patterns in creation of the things They made. We remind you to continually think of all the Creation, with the mindset that it is to be used by the Elohim in the effort to reproduce beings having many of Their attributes and character traits, so that the created beings can qualify to share an eternity of Oneness with Them in joy and in Their harmony of purpose.

*Genesis 1:14-19 And God (Elohim) said, let luminaries be in the expanse of the heavens, to divide between day and night. And let them be for visible signs and for appointed times, and for days (sun) and years (moon). And let them be for luminaries in the expanse of the heavens, to give light on the earth. And it was so. And God (Elohim) made the two great luminaries: the great luminary (sun) to rule the day, and the small luminary (moon) for the rule of the night, and (They made) the stars. (Now, They repeat it all again for emphasis) And God (Elohim) set them in the expanse of the heavens,*

*to give light on the earth, and to rule over the day and over the night; and to divide between the light and the darkness.* (The physical illumination took over here for the spiritual illumination, which was necessary for the beginning of the physical processes of life.) *And God (Elohim) saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning the fourth day.*

You can see from the earlier chart that the timing of the lunar cycle of light is used to shout from the heavens what the basic cycle of the Plan for mankind is. We are only to use the light of the sun and the moon for determining the start and end to a day and a month. A year is determined by how many lunar months are in it, some years have 12 lunar cycles and some have 13. **This is all interconnected to the timing of the barley maturing in Israel. They are both dependent on each other to bring forward a Biblical Year according to the desires of the Elohim.** They are never to be used for worship. We are only to use their light as it is visible on the earth for our perfect timepiece of creation.

The first month of the yearly cycle is named Abib/Aviv to emphasis its important characteristics which are to be seen. The meaning of the word is: the Head of the months. A month in which the first heads of barley are dried enough to have their seeds easily shaken out for seed dispersal. Then, we have nine other witnesses in scripture to attest to it so there is no mistake.

Some folks profess to use the stars for calendrical equations and the start of a year, but that is not their purpose. They are used for navigation, and for a sign of a future hope in us, for if all goes as planned, we will be used to complete that part of the physical creation which has been subjected to decay by Satan and his sinning hordes. Stars are not designed to be a consistent and constant tool for calendar purposes during this part of the Plan due to the simple fact of the Platonic Year. Another name for it is the Great Year and it consists of 25,800 years in length. The Plan for mankind's qualifying is only 7,000 years so there is no need for it. It has many drawbacks which some folks do not understand. **One of them is simply explained by the action which brings it around every 25,800 year, Precession of the Equinoxes.** That is the cycle (circuit/circle) of the ecliptic, intersecting the celestial equator a little further west than the year before. It takes 25,800 years to complete one of these cycles for the sun on a vernal or fall



equinox to go all the way around through the celestial equator or Zodiac. That presents a lot of problems for us here on the earth to use the light of the stars as they move through the centuries of time as viewed from the earth. The basic problem is simple. If you draw a straight line off our north pole, you will come to the star Polaris or the North Pole star. **As the precession of the equinoxes moves in its 25,800-year cycle/circuit**, this line makes a **circle in the heavens**. As the **circle** moves through the heavens, different stars become the North Pole star. There are 12 constellations in this **circle**, or 12 mathematical divisions devised by men. This imaginary line from the North Pole axis takes around 2,100 years to traverse each one of these mathematical divisions in the Zodiac. **We are currently in the age, or time period of Aquarius, as best as we can surmise. During the time of Christ, the line was in Pisces (thus the pagan symbol assigned to little “c” Christianity) and during Abraham’s time most likely in Aries. What we see in the sky as to constellations and the place in the Zodiac is continually changing.** The stars were not intended for our use in determining the precise start of a year, nor is the equinox, which is an imaginary line on the equator, used as a base line for the pagan practices associated with the Zodiac and is located thousands of miles away from the focal point for such things by the Elohim. In fact, Yehovah mocks men for doing so in scripture. One such instance is found in Job.

*Job 22:14 (Maybe) clouds are used to hide Him so He can’t be seen as He walks above the circle of the heavens.*

It is our north pole that points out this **circle of the heavens** throughout its 25,800-year journey. So, for those who profess we are not to start the year until a certain timing relevant to a certain constellation currently visible, we say to you that you are in error. Please cease from causing confusion.

With this understanding of the circle in the heavens which our north pole describes every 25,800 years, do you think there is any relevance to the fact that the Elohim tell us their throne is in the north? It is hidden from us just as Yehovah’s walking about in it is as well.

We have only one location on earth for our calendar criteria.

**Deut 11:10-12** *For the land to which you are going, to possess it, is not as the land of Egypt, from where you came, where you sowed your seed and watered it with your foot, as a garden of herbs. But the land which you are entering, to possess it, is a land of hills and valleys, drinking water from the rain of the heavens; a land which Yehovah your Elohim cares for it; the eyes of Yehovah your Elohim are constantly on it from the beginning of the year to the very end of the year.* (Bye Bye equinox!)

No sun worship, no moon worship, no star worship and no equinox in our worship system of God (Elohim). **The only constant celestial bodies given as commands for our use is the light (as it shines and is visible on the earth) from the sun (the great luminary) and the moon (the lesser luminary).** These two great luminaries, as God (Elohim) call them, actually shine and are visibly seen from the earth's surface. More specifically, They have chosen the focal point of the region of Jerusalem for Their declarations at this time for observing the visible light of the moon and sun to start the month and year. We are to look for the first crescent on the 29<sup>th</sup> day of the cycle. If it is not visible due to its young age or cloud cover obscuring it, we move to the start of the month at sundown on the 30<sup>th</sup> day of that cycle. The barley was always brought from the early growing fields in Israel to Jerusalem to start the first harvest of the year as the First of the Firstfruits wavesheaf offering.

### **The Pattern of Reproducing After Own Kind**

Everything now has been created for the Plan to move forward for the four flesh types to exist on the earth: in the air, seas, and ground. It is a perfect order with great meanings and understandings embedded in it.

**Gen 1:20-23** *And God (Elohim) said, let swarm the waters with the swarms (things that school up) having a body with life, and let the birds fly around over the earth, in the countenance of the heavens and expanse of God (Elohim). And God (Elohim) created the great sea animals (great not just due to size but the fact they had lungs and breathe air: whales, dolphins, etc. rather than having gills) and all that creeps (all the unclean things like lobsters, crabs, etc., which are used to clean the seas of waste materials) and swarms (schools of*

fish) *in the waters, all having a living body after their kind, and every bird with wing after its kind. And God (Elohim) saw that it was good. And God (Elohim) blessed them adoringly, saying, be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas; and let the birds multiply in the earth. And there was evening and there was morning in the fifth day.*

Here is the start of a magnificent process in created life forms which had life in their bodies. All the elements were in place for them to be able to sustain themselves and now they were blessed in a very special way, **they would be endowed with the ability to procreate after their kind.** This is very important in the patterns placed in creation that are in things made. All these life forms in the seas and in the air, breath air to live, something that can't be seen but supports their very existence. **This is a lesson in one of the attributes of the Elohim. They are not seen for They are spirit in composition, but They are the essence of all life.** All the animals of the sea, air, and land are given a force in themselves we call instinct. It is this instinct which imparts to them how they are to function in their individual species and in their environments. **It is not a thought process, but a life and death compulsion they have no control over.** Apart from their specific environments they will die, **for they all have rules and boundaries for their existence to continue (which is a pattern in creation.)** A fish has gills to extract oxygen from the water and would die if placed out of it for more than a short time. Birds and land animals have lungs and would die if kept under water for a short period of time. The exceptions are the great sea creatures for they are mammals and need to return to the surface of the waters to fill their lungs. They are a bridge between two worlds of existence. Have you ever wondered why? Something to ponder about creation and the Plan! Man, and angels are created to exist in different environments, but both are completely dependent on the Elohim and Their invisible spirit to exist. In a future time, all will exist in the same environment.

*Gen 1:24-25 And God (Elohim) said, let the earth bring forth living bodies after its kind, cattle and creepers, and its beasts of the earth, after its kind. And it was so. And God (Elohim) made the animals of the earth after its kind, and the cattle after its kind, and all the*

*creepers of the ground after their kind; and God (Elohim) saw that it was good.*

Do we recognize the repeated commands here to reproduce after each species kind? Our Creators instruct us over and over in this. It is very important to Them and will become a test for mankind in their dominion over the earth and all that is in it. **This is a very big change; a course correction from the angelic creation.**

It is important that we spend some time on this point about the angelic beings, for some people have this turned upside down. All the angelic beings, including the deranged one we know as Satan, have never had the ability to procreate. There was no need for it because the Elohim had created the exact number of perfect beings, They needed to complete the desired purposes and goals as applied to them in the Plan. Unfortunately for the angels, and fortunately for us, some of the angels sinned and the number fell short of what was required. We will also see this same pattern in the Marriage Covenant relationship with physical Israel and thus the need for more participants to complete that number, and the modifications put in place to do so. A pattern throughout both creations.

There are no marriage covenants with angels, and they have no sexual functions at all. Thus, there was no need to be fruitful and multiply. In **Luke 20:27-36** we have a very detailed account of the Sadducees posing an entrapment question to Jesus as was their pattern. The underpinning of it is about a man dying before he had any children in his marriage but had 7 brothers. Each had to perform the command to marry the widow and raise up children in the dead brother's name. However, all supposedly died in succession without ever having any children with her. If the circumstances of the question were made up, the answer certainly was not.

**Luke 20:33 The question to Jesus:** *Therefore, in the resurrection, whose wife does she become? For all seven had her as wife.*

**Luke 20:34-36 Christ's reply to their ignorance:** *And Jesus answered and said to them. The sons of this age (of man's timeline) marry and are given in marriage. But those who are counted worthy to attain that age and the resurrection from the dead (unto spirit composed life) neither marry nor give in marriage; nor can they die anymore, for*

*they are equal to the angels and are sons of God (Elohim) being sons of the resurrection.*

We can read the same account in the gospel of **Mark in 12:18-25**. Please be cognizant of the subject matter. None of them will marry her in the spirit. Why? Because the only marriage taking place spiritually will be that of Christ and His Bride.

Created beings with a temporary existence need to be able to procreate in a covenant relationship in reproducing themselves after the command to be fruitful and multiply. That is not the case for created spirit beings. As such, one cannot die unless the Elohim say you will. Satan is furious at us that we can do something he can't. He is doing everything he is allowed to do at this time to taint, soil, and cancel that ability in man as to procreating and being fruitful in multiplying. He is the source of all the sexual debauchery in society. As the prince of the power of the air, he introduces vile thoughts into the minds of men and women. The result of them mulling them over and not rejecting them is Homosexuality and Lesbianism coming to the full in their thinking. Both are an abomination before God (Elohim) for it is a defilement of the intended purpose of a man and a woman to procreate in the Covenant of Marriage. It is a dead-end, empty act of lust. For those Satan has not turned to that dark side, he accomplishes his goal by convincing women that abortion is the answer, the unborn is regarded as an infection/illness to oust out of your body through murdering it. Thus, the filthy slogan of "reproductive health." This filth has grown here at the end of the age to be an accepted norm. Let's continue now in the creation events of the sixth day.

### **The Pattern of the Creation of Man in the Image of Elohim**

*Gen 1:26 And God (Elohim) said, let US make man in OUR image, after OUR likeness; and (thus) let them have rule over fish of the sea and over birds of the heavens, and over the cattle, and over all the earth and over all the creepers creeping on the earth.*

**This is a real big deal here.** The other physically created beings were enabled to reproduce after their own kind and endowed with instinct, but here, we are seeing man given the ability to be in the image and likeness of the Elohim. What exactly does that mean? **It means that we have been given the ability to make moral decisions in the responsibilities They have given us in guarding and**

**keeping the earth.** Do not lose sight of the fact the Elohim refer often to Their eyes, mouth, arms, legs, and bodies in general. It also means we are to be utilizing all of it to make it better in our relationship of “reliant existence” on it. We are expected to have outgoing concern for the entirety of the physical creation as shepherds of it. But this is not all we are endowed with.

**Gen 1:27-28** *And God (Elohim) created the man in His (the Word did all the actual creating as discussed and patterned in scripture from our earlier chapter prior to man) OWN image; in the image of God (Elohim) He (The Word) created him. He (The Word) created them male and female. (That is very important) And God (Elohim) blessed them adoringly; and God (Elohim) said to them, be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth, and subdue it, and rule over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the heavens, and over all living things creeping on the earth.*

Here we read that the Elohim/Godhead created man in Their image and in Their likeness through the actions of The Word. Man is also given the ability to procreate as well as have rule over all other life forms on the earth. They are commanded to be fruitful and multiply as well as subdue the earth. Satan hates that and is constantly working to have mankind think we are equal to and in some thinking, subservient to all other life forms on the earth, and that we, in fact, should treat the earth as our mother. Satan is the author of all the environmental worship and deluded thinking we see today, as well as environmental pillaging which we witness. It all comes from the one being, who is called in scripture the “prince of the power of the air” (**Ephesians 2:2**). That simply means he has the ability to introduce thoughts into our minds which we need to evict instantly. More on that later. With man being given a spirit in him, he is able to make moral as well as other intellectual decisions. That is a step above the instinct found in all animal life. Man is the only flesh type to have free moral agency in him.

**1 Corinthians 2:6-16** explains a lot about the “spirit of man” and the “spirit of God (Elohim)”. Verse 11 states:

**1 Corinthians 2:11** *For what man knows the things of a man except for the spirit of man which is in him, even so no man knows the things of God (Elohim) except the spirit of God (Elohim).*

**Zechariah 12:1** *The burden of the word of Yehovah for Israel, says Yehovah, who stretches forth the heavens, and lays the foundations of the earth, and forms the spirit of man within him.*

There is a difference in that which is in man and that which is in animals as many scriptures instruct us. **Ecclesiastes 3:21** where Solomon is feeling sorry for himself and then comes to his senses in **12:7**:

**Ecclesiastes 3:21** *Who knows the spirit of the sons of man if it ascends upward, and the spirit of the beast if it descends down?*

**Ecclesiastes 12:7** *Then the dust (body) shall return to the earth as it was, and the spirit shall return to God (Elohim) who gave it.*

### **Summary**

Man has been created to pick up where the sinning angels left off. We have a temporary existence which is intricately tied to the rest of the creation for our continuation in life. Through this, the Elohim have hoped that we will have a greater interest in the earth, to maintain it and enhance it, in our rule over it. To accompany this, we have been given the ability to procreate and increase and multiply to that end. This is an age of testing and man didn't start out too well. However, contingencies were put in place to continue the Plan. The Elohim want us to develop the character traits that will allow us to exist with Them in the joy and harmony of Their Righteous Oneness of purpose, goals, hope, and faith.

John speaks to us on this point.

**John 17:20-23** *And I do not pray concerning these only, but also concerning those who will believe in Me through their word; that all may be One, as You are in Me, Father, and I in You: that they also may be One in US, that the world may believe that You sent Me. And I have given them the glory which You have given Me (in the flesh), that they may be One, as We are One. I in them, and You in Me, **that they may be perfected in One...***

**The entire goal of the Elohim is our coming to perfection: growing in favor, acceptance, and knowledge until we can qualify to enter Their Oneness for eternity.** They had to change some things after the first go around with the

angelic beings who had been made perfect from the start and after sin was found in their ringleader, the one who wants to occupy the top floor by himself. Sin then spread to some of the other angels. The Elohim in Their wisdom have given us the ability to reproduce ourselves physically, after the manner of Them spiritually. It took two of Them and it takes two of us, a man and a woman in a Covenant relationship. That is of utmost importance. It is simple to see that Satan is attacking the sanctity of that Marriage Covenant, between a man and a woman across the face of the earth and in every society. That Covenant relationship and its laws and statutes will become a focal point to the Plan's completion and the fulfillment of Their goals.

Paul addresses this command and its correlation to Oneness clearly in **1 Corinthians 6:15-17**.

*1 Cor 6:15-17 Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ/Messiah (He being the Second Adam and the church the Second Eve). Then taking the members (of Christ's body), shall I make them members of a harlot (temple harlots were part of the worship system of many pagans of the day)? Let it not be! Or do you not know that he being joined to a harlot is one body (with her)? For He (the Word/Jesus Christ/Messiah) says, the two shall become one flesh.*

Of course, that command comes from the Covenant union of Adam and Eve to become fruitful and multiply in marriage and in family, which we will cover shortly. But let's finish up the instructions in Genesis 1.

*Gen 1:29-31 And God (Elohim) said, behold, I (The Word) have given you (on behalf of both of the US, the Elohim) every plant conceiving seed which is on the face of all the earth, and every green tree in which is the fruit of the tree conceiving seed; it shall be food for you. And to every living thing of the earth, and to every bird of the heavens, and to every creeper on the earth, which in its body has life, every green plant is for (your) food. And it was so. And God (Elohim) saw everything He (The Word) had made; and, behold, it was very good (no sin in it in any way, shape, or form). And there was evening, and there was morning the sixth day.*



The Elohim were very happy with what They had created with all the patterns placed in the creation which would be there for all to see. Before we move into the second chapter of Genesis, it is very important to note that in the rulership which the Elohim gave man and woman, **there was no mention of one ruling over the other**; only over the fish, birds, animals, creeping things, and the earth itself. They were hopeful that with the fundamentals of the Plan in place, Adam and Eve would be One in everything and thus be co-equals in the tasks they had to function in and with. Unfortunately, as we all know, that went awry, and we will address the results of this when we get to Chapter three of Genesis.