

CHAPTER ANALYSIS FORM

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2. Observation		3. Interpretation	
What Does It Say?		What Does It Mean?	
Verse		Verse	
	Chapter 1		
1-2	God creates <i>ex nihilo</i>	1-2	God (three persons) exists prior to creation of anything. Universe created out of nothing.
3-31	Passages for days 1-6 follow the same pattern: “And God said, Let there be... And there was... And God saw that is was good. Morning and evening, one day”	3-31	God creates everything through his Word. Everything He created He deems, “Good.”
27	God creates Man and Woman in his image.		What does it mean to be “created in the image of God?”
28	God blesses Man and Woman and gives them their charge.		
29-30	All animals and people are to eat vegetation.		
31	“...it was VERY good.”		
	Chapter 2		
1-3	God rested God’s ordained pattern – 6 days of work, 1 day of rest holy to the Lord		Note: There is no morning/evening sequence for day 7. Is the day of God’s rest still continuing?
4	“These are the generations of...”		Refer back to creation story in Ch 1. This phrase will be repeated many times throughout Genesis.
5-6	No vegetation because there was no rain and no man to work the ground. God watered ground with a mist.		Lead in to the creation of man.
7	God creates Man from the dust of the ground and breathes life into him.		
8-9	God plants the Garden of Eden including the Tree of Life and the Tree of Knowledge of Good and Evil.		
10-14	Four rivers flow from the one that waters Eden.		
15	Man placed into the garden to work it and watch over it.		Work is ordained. We were not created for constant leisure.

16-17	Every tree is available for food except one.		God sets boundaries – Man must respect and abide by them.
18	God determines Man needs a companion.		
19-20	Naming of all creatures – no companion found.		
21-22	Woman created from Man.		
23	Man realizes God has given him a suitable helper.		
24	God's ordained pattern for marriage.		
25	Naked and no shame.		Innocent delight.

6. Conclusions

7. One Personal Application