

## "In the Beginning"

**Genesis 1:1–2:** In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth. [2] The earth was without form and void, and darkness was over the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters.

Why is it important to understand the Book of Genesis?

Who wrote Genesis?

What are the key themes of Genesis?

## 1. God is the ultimate Being (vs. 1a).

In the beginning, God...

\*Psalm 90:2

## 2. God is the Creator of all that exists (vs. 1b-2a)

...created the heavens and the earth. [2] The earth was without form and void, and darkness was over the face of the deep.

\*John 1:3; Heb. 11:3; 2 Pet. 3:5

## 3. The Spirit of God ensures creation (vs. 2b).

... And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters.

If you were to share a key insight from today's sermon with a friend, what would you say in a sentence or two?

**Discussion Questions:** How is Genesis foundational to everything about life? Who wrote Genesis? Why was is vital for Israel to understand Genesis after the Exodus from Egypt? What is significant about "Elohim" as the name of God in vs. 1? What does it mean that God created the heavens and the earth? What is the role of the Holy Spirit in Creation? In Redemption? Read and meditate on Psalm 19:1 & 104:24. How do these verses, as well as Genesis 1:1-2 lead you to worship God?

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