

Congregation Notes B'Reisheit
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Creation is Tied to the End
Genesis 1:1-6:8; Isaiah 42:5-43:10; John 1:1-17

***Genesis 1:1** In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.

***Genesis 1:2** The earth was without form, and void; and **darkness** was on the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters.

***Isaiah 45:7** I form the light and create darkness, I make peace and create calamity; I, the LORD, do all these things.'

***Isaiah 59:9-10** Therefore justice is far from us, and righteousness does not overtake us; we hope for light, but behold, **darkness [khoshek]**, for brightness, but we walk in gloom.

We grope along the wall **like blind men**, we grope like those **who have no eyes**. We stumble at midday as in the twilight, among those who are vigorous we are like dead men.

***John 1:1-9 & 14** In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. ²He was in the beginning with God. ³All things were made through Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made. ⁴In Him was life, and the life was the light of men. ⁵And the light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not comprehend it. ⁶There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. ⁷This man came for a witness, to bear witness of the Light, that all through him might believe. ⁸He was not that Light, but was sent to bear witness of that Light. ⁹That was the true Light which gives light to every man coming into the world..... ¹⁴And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth.

***John 8:12** Then Yeshua spoke to them again, saying, I am the light of the world. He who follows Me shall not walk in darkness, but have the light of life.

***Genesis 1:3-5** Then God said, Let there be light; and there was light. ⁴And God saw the light, that it was good; and God divided the light from the darkness. ⁵God called the light Day, and the darkness He called Night. So the evening and the morning were the first day.

***John 8:5-12** Now Moses, in the law, commanded us that such should be stoned. But what do You say?" ⁶ This they said, testing Him, that they might have something of which to accuse Him. But Yeshua stooped down and wrote on the ground with His finger, as though He did not hear. ⁷ So when they continued asking Him, He raised Himself up and said to them, He who is without sin among you, let him throw a stone at her first. ⁸ And again He stooped down and wrote on the ground. ⁹ Then those who heard it, being convicted by their conscience, went out one by one, beginning with the oldest even to the last. And Yeshua was left alone, and the woman standing in the midst. ¹⁰ When Yeshua had raised Himself up and saw no one but the woman, He said to her, Woman, where are those accusers of yours? Has no one condemned you? ¹¹ She said, No one, Lord." And Yeshua said to her, Neither do I condemn you; go and sin no more. Once again, Yeshua spoke to the people and said, I am the light of the world. Whoever follows Me will never walk in the darkness, but will have the light of life.

***Matthew 5:14-16** You are the light of the world. A city on a hill cannot be hidden. / Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a basket. Instead, they set it on a stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. / In the same way, let your light shine before men, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.

***Genesis 1:11-13** Then God said, Let the earth bring forth grass, the herb that yields seed, and the fruit tree that yields fruit according to its kind, whose seed is in itself, on the earth; and it was so. ¹² And the earth brought forth grass, the herb that yields seed according to its kind, and the tree that yields fruit, whose seed is in itself according to its kind. And God saw that it was good. ¹³ So the evening and the morning were the third day.

***Matthew 13:3-13&18-23** Then he told them many things in parables, saying: A **farmer went out to sow his seed**. ⁴ As he was scattering the seed, some fell along the path, and the birds came and ate it up. ⁵ Some fell on rocky places, where it did not have much soil. It sprang up quickly, because the soil was shallow. ⁶ But when the sun came up, the plants were scorched, and they withered because they had no root. ⁷ Other seed fell among thorns, which grew up and choked the plants. ⁸ Still other seed fell on good soil, where it produced a crop—a hundred, sixty or thirty times what was sown. ⁹ Whoever has ears, let them hear. ¹⁰ The disciples came to him and asked, “Why do you speak to the people in parables?”

¹⁸ Listen then to what the parable of the sower means: ¹⁹ When anyone hears the message about the kingdom and does not understand it, the **evil one comes and snatches away what was sown in their heart**. This is the seed sown along the path. ²⁰ The seed falling on rocky ground refers to **someone who hears the word and at once receives it with joy**. ²¹ **But since they have no root, they last only a short time**. When trouble or persecution comes because of the word, they quickly fall away. ²² The seed falling among the thorns refers to **someone who hears the word, but the worries of this life and the deceitfulness of wealth choke the word, making it unfruitful**. ²³ But the seed falling on good soil refers to someone who hears the word and understands it. **This is the one who produces a crop**, yielding a hundred, sixty or thirty times what was sown.

***Genesis 1:26** Then God said, **Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; let them have dominion** over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth. ²⁷ So **God created man in His own image**; in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them. ²⁸ Then **God blessed them**, and God said to them, Be fruitful and multiply; **fill the earth and subdue it; have dominion** over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over every living thing that moves on the earth.....²⁹ **And God said, “See, I have given you every herb that yields seed which is on the face of all the earth, and every tree whose fruit yields seed; to you it shall be for food.** ³⁰ Also, to every beast of the earth, to every bird of the air, and to everything that creeps on the earth, in which there is life, I have given every green herb for food”; and it was so. And God looked upon all that He had made, and indeed, it was very good. And there was evening, and there was morning—the sixth day.

***Genesis 2:2-3** And on the seventh day God ended His work which He had done, and He rested on the seventh day from all His work which He had done. ³ Then **God blessed the seventh day and sanctified it**, because in it He rested from all His work which God had created and made.

***Genesis 2:4** These are the developments of the heaven and the earth when they were created, on the day of the making (by) HASHEM (יהוה) God (Eloheim) of the earth and the heaven.

***Genesis 2:5-6&15 ... and (now) all the trees of the field were yet to be on the earth, and all the herbs of the field were (not) yet sprouted, for He had not sent rain.** For the LORD God had not caused it to rain on the earth, **and there was no man to till the ground;** ⁶ but a mist went up from the earth and watered the whole face of the ground..... HASHEM God, He placed him in the Garden of Eden to **work it** and **to guard it**.

***Genesis 2:21-22** And the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall on Adam, and he slept; and He took one of his ribs, and closed up the flesh in its place. ²² Then the rib which the LORD God had taken from man He made into a woman, and He brought her to the man. ²³ And Adam said: "This is now **bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh**; She shall be called woman, because she was taken out of man.

***Genesis 3:1-10** Now the **serpent was more cunning ONB than any beast of the field** which the Lord God had made. And he said to the woman, Has God indeed said, You shall not eat of every tree of the garden? ² And the woman said to the serpent, We may eat 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 has said, You shall not eat it, nor shall you touch it, lest you die. ⁴ Then the serpent said to the woman, **You will not surely die.** ⁵ For God knows that in the day you eat of it **your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.**

⁶ So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, that it was pleasant to the eyes, and a tree desirable to make one wise, **she took of its fruit and ate. She also gave to her husband with her, and he ate.** ⁷ Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made themselves coverings. ⁸ And they heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and **Adam and his wife hid themselves** from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden.

⁹ Then the LORD God called to Adam and said to him, **Where are you?** ¹⁰ So he said, I heard Your voice in the garden, and I was afraid because I was naked; and I hid myself.

***Genesis 3:8** The **man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God** among the trees of the garden.

***Genesis 3:9** Where are you?

***Genesis 3:12-13** The man said, The woman whom you gave to be with me - **she gave me of the tree, and I ate.**

***Hebrews 1:1-3** God, who at various times and in various ways spoke in time past to the fathers by the prophets, **2** has in these last days spoken to us by **His Son, whom He has appointed heir of all things,** through whom also He made the worlds; **3** who being the brightness of His glory and the express image of His person, and **upholding all things by the word of His power,** when **He had by Himself purged our sins,** sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high,

***John 1:4-5** **In Him was life, and that life was the light of men. / The Light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.**

***John 8:12** Once again, Yeshua spoke to the people and said, **"I am the light of the world. Whoever follows Me will never walk in the darkness, but will have the light of life."**

***Ecclesiastes 1:9** That which has been is what will be,
That which is done is what will be done, and *there is* nothing new under the sun.

***Isaiah 24:15** Therefore **glorify the LORD in the east**. Extol the name of the LORD, the God of Israel in the islands of the sea. 16 From the ends of the earth we hear singing: **Glory to the Righteous One**. But I said, I am wasting away! I am wasting away! Woe is me **The treacherous betray; the treacherous deal in treachery**.

Woe to me! **The treacherous dealers have dealt treacherously**, indeed, the treacherous dealers have dealt very treacherously.

hile people are saying, **“Peace and security,” destruction will come upon them suddenly**, like labor pains on a pregnant woman, and they will not escape.

***Isaiah 24:21** **In that day the LORD will punish the host of heaven above and the kings of the earth below**.

***Daniel 10:13** However, the prince of the kingdom of Persia opposed me for twenty-one days. Then Michael, one of the chief princes, came to help me,. **for I had been left there with the kings of Persia**. 14Now I have come to explain to you what will happen to your people in the latter days, **for the vision concerns those days....**

***Isaiah 24:22** They will be **gathered** together, As prisoners are in the pit, And will be shut up in the prison; **gathered** They will be confined to a dungeon and punished after many days.

***Isaiah 19:23a** **In that** there will be a highway from Egypt to Assyria.....

***Isaiah 24:23** The moon will be confounded and the sun will be ashamed; **for the LORD of Hosts will reign on Mount Zion and in Jerusalem**, and before His elders with great glory.

***Isaiah 27:1** In that day the Lord with His severe sword, great and strong, **will punish Leviathan the fleeing serpent**,
Leviathan that twisted serpent; and He will slay the reptile that is in the sea.

***Genesis 3:15** And I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your seed and her Seed; He shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise His heel.

***Revelation 13:1** Then I saw a **beast** with ten horns and seven heads **rising out of the sea**. There were **ten royal crowns on its horns** and blasphemous names on its heads.

***Matthew 27:28-29** They stripped Him and put a scarlet robe on Him. 29And they twisted together a **crown of thorns** and set it **on His head**. They put a staff in His right hand and **knelt down before Him to mock Him, saying, “Hail, King of the Jews!”**

***Revelation 17:14** They will make war on the Lamb, and the Lamb will conquer them, for He is **Lord of lords and King of kings**, and those with Him are called and chosen and faithful.

***Revelation 19:13&16** He is clothed in a robe dipped in blood, and the name by which He is called is The Word of God. . . . On His robe and on His thigh he has a name written, **King of kings and Lord of lords**.