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Notes:

Genesis 1:1 God is the only truly eternal being without beginning and end. Isaiah 57:15 states that He inhabits eternity.

Revelation 4:8 says: "WHO WAS AND WHO IS AND WHO IS TO COME."

Exodus 3:14 and 15 "I am" denotes His eternity and immutability. "YAHWEH" has the Hebrew root word hayah that was translated "I am" in verse 14.

Isaiah 44:6 "I am the first and I am the last, and there is no God besides Me."

Genesis 1:2 Before the earth, there were darkness and water.

Verse 3 The word "God" is used 26 times in 31 verses for emphasis.

Verse 5 On the first day, God created day and night – our reckoning of time.

Isaiah 57:15 says that God inhabits eternity which means He is bigger than time! 1 Kings 8:27 and 2 Chronicles 2:6 say the heaven and heaven of heavens cannot contain Him. He is bigger than space.

Genesis 1:13 The word "kind" is used ten times in this first chapter. We best understand it to mean genus. Everything is after its kind with seed within itself.

First day – light (time)

Second day – expanse (space)

Third day – dry land and seas, vegetation

Fourth day – sun, moon, and stars

Fifth day – water creatures and birds

Sixth day – animals and man

Seventh day – God rested

Genesis 1:26 Every other living organism was according to its kind, but man was created in the image and likeness of God. In chapter five, after the fall of man, we see everyone is after Adam's kind.

Gender was never mentioned before. With mankind, God specifically states "male and female."

Only man was given dominion in God's creation. This dominion is expressly stated to be over all other living creatures: sky, sea, and land creatures.

In English, the pronoun "I" can be replaced with "we" or "our" when used by sovereigns. He presents Himself as sovereign because He is about to give man dominion or sovereignty on earth.

Genesis 1:29 Neither man nor animals were carnivorous.

Genesis 2:1-4 The completion of creation

Genesis 2:16 and 17 Only one restriction, which provided man with the opportunity to exercise his free will to love God by obedience to His command

Genesis 3:1 The word "serpent" speaks to his craftiness and not his appearance.

Genesis 3:2-7 The nakedness was not new, but their perspective was new because now they had knowledge of evil.

Genesis 3:8 Hid from God

Genesis 3:10 Fear of God

Genesis 3:12 We see an irreverent attitude toward God and shifting the blame. Adam blamed God and the woman.

Genesis 3:13 She blamed the devil.

Genesis 3:19 Everything changed and will remain so until Jesus Christ comes back