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God to be perfect in wisdom, for there is an orderly sequence in his creative activity

#### The earth is explained.

In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. 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.<sup>3</sup> Then God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light. <sup>4</sup> And God saw the light, that it was good; and God divided the light from the darkness. <sup>5</sup> God called the light Day, and the darkness He called Night. So the evening and the morning were the first day...

#### The earth is explained.

Genesis declares that the earth and our universe were created by God

The creative activity of God continued as he sought step by step to prepare the world for the coming of the Man ...

#### The earth is explained.

• God is the creator and sustainer of all things. Because he is the creator, sustainer, and owner of all things, people should give the divine will reverent consideration.

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<sup>[b]</sup> the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth." <sup>27</sup> So God created man in His own image; in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them.

God planned for man's life to be one of joyful activity Combined with the joy of communion with God

• Genesis 3 reveals Adam's unbelief, rebellion, selfish ambition, disobedience, and desire to find the abundant life outside the will of God.

• Tragic beyond description was the consequence of sin. The rest of the Bible is an inspired account of the consequences of human sin and of God's loving and merciful program of redeeming and restoring humans to the position of sonship and fellowship lost because of sin.

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## Prayer

• Dear Jesus Christ, You are the Creator, I pray to live joyful in Your plan for my life. In Jesus' name. Amen!