

## THE CREATION OF MANKIND

### Genesis 2:4 – 2:25

Study now the third phase of the creation story: the minute details as related to mankind:

#### A. Conditions Before the Creation Of Man: Read Genesis 2:4-6

1. What two things were lacking before the creation of mankind? Genesis 2:5b

a. \_\_\_\_\_  
b. \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTE:** TILL means to plow and prepare for seed, and to sow, dress, raise crops from, etc.; to cultivate.

2. How was the earth watered at this time? Genesis 2:6

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#### B. The Creation of Man: Read Genesis 2:7

1. From what was man's body formed? Genesis 2:7a

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2. What did God then do for man? Genesis 2:7b

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3. What did man become as a result? Genesis 2:7c

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**NOTE:** The word here used is *nephesh*, the same as that used in Genesis 1:21 and 24, there translated living creature. Therefore, could man possible have been made from some previously existing animal?

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#### C. The Home of Man: Read Genesis 2:8-14

1. Where was man placed after he was created? Genesis 2:8

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2. What four specific types of trees grew there? Genesis 2:9

a. \_\_\_\_\_ b. \_\_\_\_\_  
c. \_\_\_\_\_ d. \_\_\_\_\_

3. How was the garden watered? Genesis 2:10a

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4. Of the four great divisions of this river, only one is familiar to us today by its same name. Find this name at the end of Genesis 2:14

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Locate this river on a map.

#### D. The Responsibilities of Man: Read Genesis 2:15-17

1. What two things was man responsible to do in the garden? Genesis 2:15

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2. What would he be allowed to do in return for his efforts? Genesis 2:16

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3. What was the one exception to this rule? Genesis 2:17a

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4. Why did God forbid man to eat of this tree? Genesis 2:17b
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**E. A Helper For Man:** Read Genesis 2:18-25

1. What did God say about the man after He had made him? Genesis 2:18a
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2. What was God going to do to remedy this situation? Genesis 2:18b
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3. Who were brought to Adam first of all? Genesis 2:19a
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4. What did Adam do for them? Genesis 2:19b, 20a
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5. Yet what was still true after this? Genesis 2:20b
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6. What did God then do to Adam? Genesis 2:21a
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7. What did God take from Adam at this time? Genesis 2:21b
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8. What did God make from this? Genesis 2:22b
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**NOTE:** It has been said that woman was made, not from man's head to surpass him, nor from his feet to be despised, but from his side to be equal to him, from under his arm to be protected, and from near his heart to be dear to him.

9. What did God do after He had made woman? Genesis 2:22c
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10. How many helpers did God provide for Adam?
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(See Malachi 2:14-16; Matthew 19:5-8)

11. How did Adam feel about the helper God had made for him? Genesis 2:23
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Notice the command which is given in connection with the story of the creation of woman for man: Genesis 2:24.

**QUESTIONS FOR ME TO THINK ABOUT:**

1. Was there anything man needed which God did not provide for him? What did God deserve from man in return? (See Revelation 4:11)
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2. Do I accept the responsibilities and commandments God gives me, as readily as I do the provisions and privileges? Since God created marriage, what does this show about its importance?
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