### It Begins with God!

January 2, 2022 – Genesis 1 Pastor Jon Pickens



#### What Does Genesis 1 Reveal to Us?

- 1. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the Creator.
  - a. God transcends \_\_\_\_\_.

b. God transcends all that is \_\_\_\_\_\_ to us and \_\_\_\_\_\_.

- c. God is intimately \_\_\_\_\_ with His creation.
- 2. The \_\_\_\_\_ of creation.
  - a. God creates \_\_\_\_\_\_ for His creation to exist on the first three days.
  - b. God \_\_\_\_\_\_ those spaces on the next three days.

# Point: God doesn't need the natural law for day and night, but He chose to create a structure in the natural realm to govern it.

The Key Point: There is a \_\_\_\_\_ and He is \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_ over all His creation!

- 3. The \_\_\_\_\_\_ of creation.
  - a. Evidence of a \_\_\_\_\_.
  - b. Evidence of a \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_.
- 4. The \_\_\_\_\_\_ of creation.

a. There is one God and He is worthy of our \_\_\_\_\_.

b. Only in God does creation find its true \_\_\_\_\_.

- c. Objective \_\_\_\_\_\_ does not exist apart from God.
- d. God's the \_\_\_\_\_!

#### **Discussion Questions:**

- 1. What does Gen. 1:1 tell you about God? Why is it significant that Genesis begins the way it does?
- 2. What point do you think the author is trying to make when night and day (day 1) existed before the Sun and moon (created on day 4)?
- 3. Why should it not surprise you that creation has been under attack? What are the implications for people in this world if a Creator does not exist?
- 4. Because a Creator does exist and has made Himself known, how does that significantly impact the way that you live?
- 5. Read Psalm 8 in light of Gen. 1. What insights can you gather from this psalm?
- 6. What is a take-away for you from the message or this passage?

## Next Steps:

- 1. If you would like to become a follower of Jesus, please let us know. Pastor Jon will be in the room behind the Welcome Center after the service.
- 2. If you are interested in baptism, let Pastor Jon know in person or email him at <u>pj@fbclowell.org</u>.
- 3. Consider joining an elective. They meet most Sundays at 11am.
- 4. Read the Bible with us to know God and respond to Him! Below is our current schedule.

January 2022 Two Year Bible Reading Plan				
Week 1 Starting Jan. 3	Week 2 Starting Jan. 10	Week 3 Starting Jan. 17	Week 4 Starting Nov. 24	Week 5 Starting Nov. 31
Day 1: Gen. 1-2	Day 1: Gen. 13-15	Day 1: Gen. 24	Day 1: Gen. 32	Day 1: Gen. 41
Day 2: Gen. 3-4	Day 2: Gen. 16-17	Day 2: Gen. 25-26	Day 2: Gen. 33-34	Day 2: Gen. 42-43
Day 3: Gen. 5-7	Day 3: Gen. 18-19	Day 3: Gen. 27	Day 3: Gen. 35-36	Day 3: Gen. 44
Day 4: Gen. 8-9	Day 4: Gen. 20-21	Day 4: Gen. 28-29	Day 4: Gen. 37-38	Day 4: Gen. 45-46
Day 5: Gen. 10-12	Day 5: Gen. 22-23	Day 5: Gen. 30-31	Day 5: Gen. 39-40	Day 5: Gen. 47-48

6 "I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery. 7 "You shall have no other gods before me. 8 "You shall not make for yourself a carved image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. -Deut. 5:6-8

# What was your big take-a-way from the message this morning?