



**Pastor's Bible Study**  
**The Book of Genesis**

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**Genesis 1:14-25**

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Days #4, 5 and 6 –  
Luminaries = Marth = מאור  
Living souls = Nephesh Chie = נִפְשׁ חַיָּה

**WHAT ARE WE READING? WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE?**

- “Bereshit” (בְּרֵאשִׁית)                      “When God created ...”
- “Torah” (תּוֹרָה)                                “Law” or “Instruction”
- “Genesis” (γένεσις)                          “Origins” or “Coming into Being”
- “Pentateuch” (πεντάτευχος)            “Five Scrolls”
- “Old Testament”
- “Hebrew Scriptures”

**WHAT INTERPRETIVE LENSES ARE YOU WEARING?**

**JOHN FANESTIL**

**ME:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**WHAT TO MAKE OF DIFFERENT INTERPRETATIONS?**

**RECAP:**

**DAY ONE (Genesis 1: 3-5):** Day & Night

**DAY TWO (Genesis 1: 6-8):** Firmament Separating the Waters

**DAY THREE (Genesis 1: 9 – 13):** Land & Sea, Plants & Trees

**DAY FOUR (Genesis 1: 14-19):**

Luminaries = **Marth** = מְאֹרֹת = Celestial Bodies

- Greater luminary
- Lesser luminary
- Stars
- ➔ “... rule over the day and night ... separate light and darkness ...”

**DAY FIVE (Genesis 1: 20 – 23):**

Living souls = **Nephesh Chie** = נְפֻשׁ חַיָּה = Creaturely Bodies

- Creatures of waters
- Creatures of sky
- ➔ “Be fruitful and multiply ... fill waters and earth ...”

**DAY SIX (Genesis 1: 24 -25):**

- Creatures of land
- ➔

**WHAT HAPPENS ON DAY SIX?**

“... And God saw that it was good ...”

v. 12b, v. 18b, v. 21b,

“ ... And there was ... evening and morning, the XXXXX day.”

v. 25b

**CHARACTERISTICS OF ORDERLY CREATION:**

- Separation
  - Day & Night = **Shabbat** (שַׁבָּת) = Sabbath
  - Seasons = **Yom Tov** (יוֹם טוֹב) = Festival Days
  - Creatures = **Kashrut** (כַּשְׁרוּת) = Kosher (Lev. 11:1-9)
- Multiplication

**HOW TO READ GENESIS?**

**Hebrew Literature** (ref. Cassuto, Beauchamp & Steck)

Parallelism / Structure / Word Play / Metaphor and Simile

**English** \_\_\_\_\_ **or** \_\_\_\_\_

Meter / Rhyme / Word Play / Metaphor and Simile / \_\_\_\_\_

*Be sure to read through to Genesis 2:4 for next week’s class.*

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