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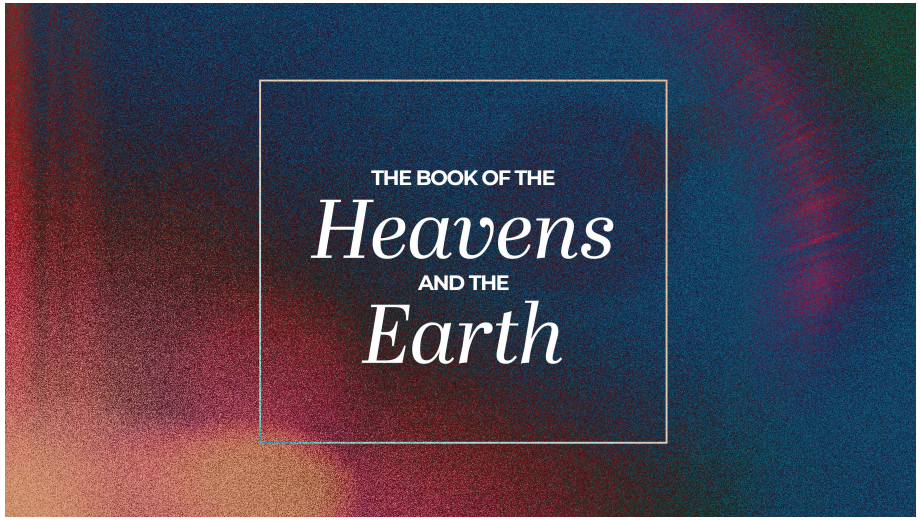
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October 31 & November 1, 2026 |Book I Section I| Genesis 2:4-17 | Joshua Wilhite, pastor

*Genesis 2:4 These are **the generations** of the heavens and the earth when they were created, in the day that the LORD God made the earth and the heavens.*

1. Each of the 11 "BOOKS" of Genesis begins with the word "*generations*" (תּוֹלְדוֹת // toe-le-dothe).

2. This first book explains what happened to the good WORLD that God created.

THE INTIMACY

*Genesis 2:5 When no bush of the field was yet in the land and no small plant of the field had yet sprung up—for the LORD God had not caused it to rain on the land, and there was no **man** to work the **ground**, 6 and a mist was going up from the land and was watering the whole face of the **ground**— 7 then the LORD God formed the **man** of dust from the **ground** and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, and the **man** became a living creature. 8 And the LORD God planted a garden in Eden, in the east, and there he put the **man** whom he had formed. 9 And out of the **ground** the LORD God made to spring up every tree that is pleasant to the sight and good for food. The tree of life was in the midst of the garden, and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.*

*Genesis 2:7 then the LORD God **formed** the **man** of dust from the **ground**...*

1. In His love, God "*formed*" (יצר // yi-tser) humanity with His own "HANDS."

    - The "*man*" (אָדָם // ah-dahm) came from the "*GROUND*" (אֲדָמָה // ah-dah-mah).

*Genesis 2:7 ...and breathed into his nostrils the **breath** of life, and the man became a **living creature**.*

2. In His love, God filled humanity with His own "LUNGS."

    - The "*living creature*" (נֶפֶשׁ // ne-phesh) came from the "*BREATH*" (נְשָׁמָה // ne-shah-mah) of God.

THE ABUNDANCE

*Genesis 2:10 **A river flowed out of Eden to water the garden**, and there it divided and became four rivers. 11 The name of the first is the Pishon. It is the one that flowed around the whole land of Havilah, where **there is gold. 12 And the gold of that land is good; bdellium and onyx stone are there**. 13 The name of the second river is the Gihon. It is the one that flowed around the whole land of Cush. 14 And the name of the third river is the Tigris, which flows east of Assyria. And the fourth river is the Euphrates.*

1. In His love, God established humanity in a place of overflowing ABUNDANCE.

*Genesis 2:15 The LORD God took the man and **put** him in the garden of Eden to work it and keep it.*

2. To "*put*" (נוח // na-wach) him was to satisfy him, secure him, and to cause him to REST.

THE OPTION

*Genesis 2:16 And the LORD God **commanded** the man, saying, "You may surely eat of every tree of the garden, 17 but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall surely die."*

1. Love requires CHOICE.

*1 John 4:8 Anyone who does not love does not know God, because **God is love**. 9 In this the love of God was made manifest among us, that God sent his only Son into the world, so that we might live through him. 10 In this is love, not that we have loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins.*

2. God's love is RELENTLESS.

<u>GOD LOVES YOU</u>.

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