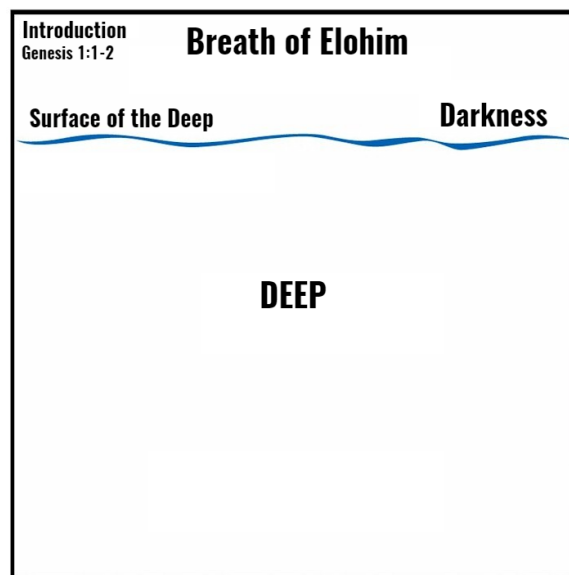


The Journey of Life
In The Beginning
Saturday Evening to Sunday Morning
Genesis 1:1-2

(1:1) In the beginning Elohim created the skies and the dry land.

(1:2) The dry land was without form and substance,
and darkness was over the face of the deep.

The breath of Elohim hovered over the face of the waters.



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The Story of Light

Sunday Morning to Sunday Evening

Genesis 1:3-5

(1:3) Elohim said, "Let Light exist!"

Light existed.

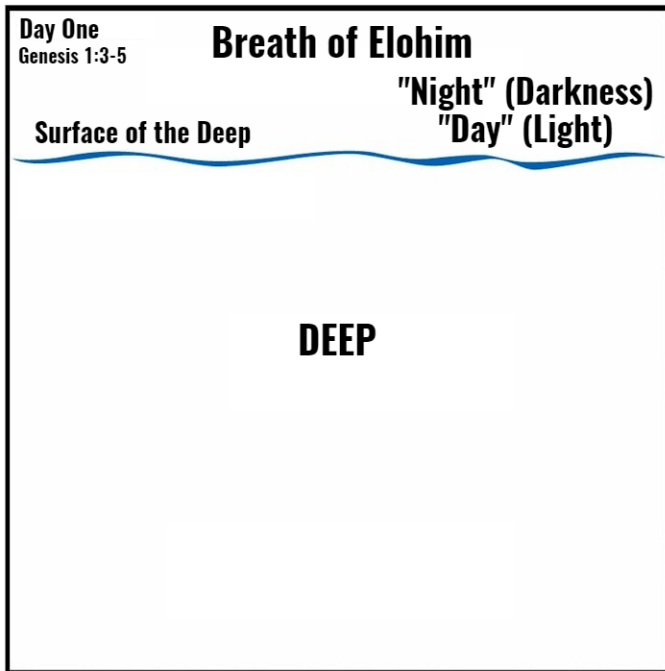
(1:4) Elohim saw the Light, that it was Tov.

Elohim distinguished between the Light and between the Darkness.

(1:5) Elohim called to the Light, "Day."

To the Darkness He called, "Night."

It was evening and it was morning, Day One.



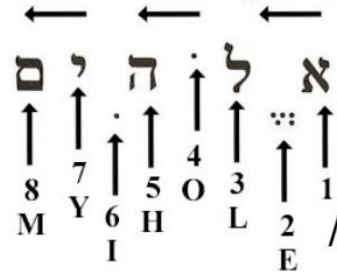
Getting Acquainted With Hebrew

Line 1 Verse 1 Word 3

אלהים

Use the BHC Hebrew-English Transliterator to Transliterate Each Letter or Symbol.

Hebrew is read from right to left.



"Elohim" (BHC Transliteration)

Line 4 Verse 3 Word 4	Line 4 Verse 4 Word 4	<u>Root Word*</u>
אור -OR	האור HA-OR	אור -VR

- If a dot is placed in the middle of the second letter of the Root Word, the new word is "-UR" which is translated "**fire**."

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Day Two

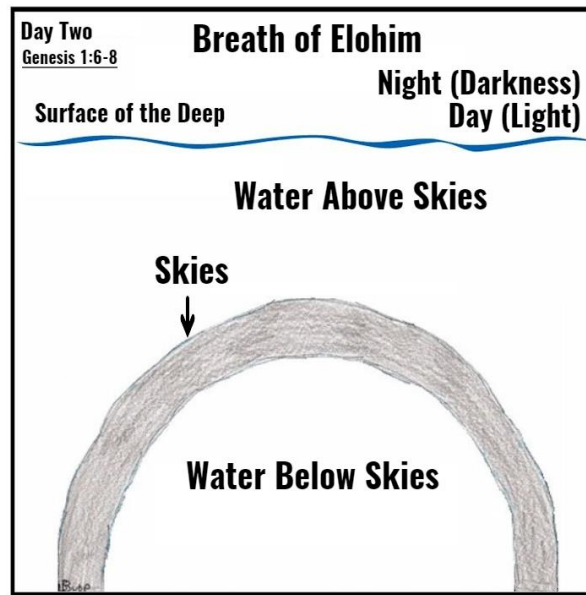
Sunday Evening to Monday Evening

Genesis 1:6-8

(1:6) Elohim said: “Let there be a solid plate in the middle of the waters,
and let it separate the waters from the waters.”

(1:7) Elohim made the solid plate and separated the waters
which were under the plate from the waters which were above the plate.
And it was so.

(1:8) Elohim called to the solid plate, “Skies.”
And it was evening and it was morning, Day Two.



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Day Three: Part 1

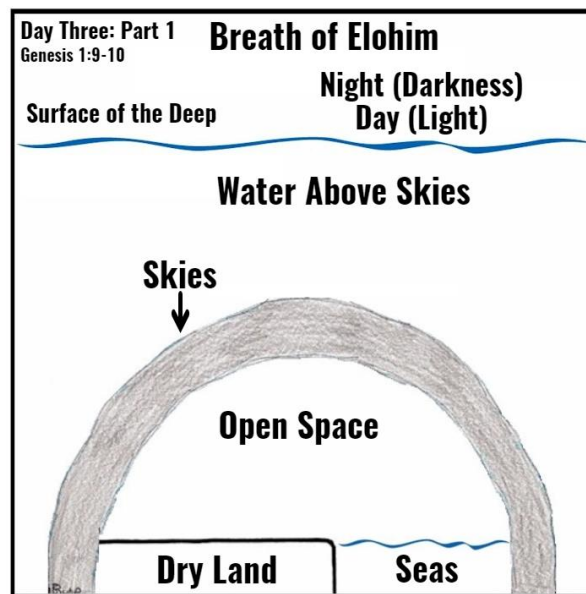
Monday Evening to Tuesday Evening

(Genesis 1:9-10)

(1:9) Elohim said, "The waters beneath the Skies shall be gathered to one place¹, and let the dry thing appear." And it was so.

(1:10) Elohim called to the dry land, "Dry Land," and to the waters that were gathered to gather He called, "Seas."

Elohim saw that it was Tov.²



¹ LXX - συναγωγήν (sunagogen [synagogue]) translated "pool."

² Hebrew word TOV.

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Day Three: Part 2

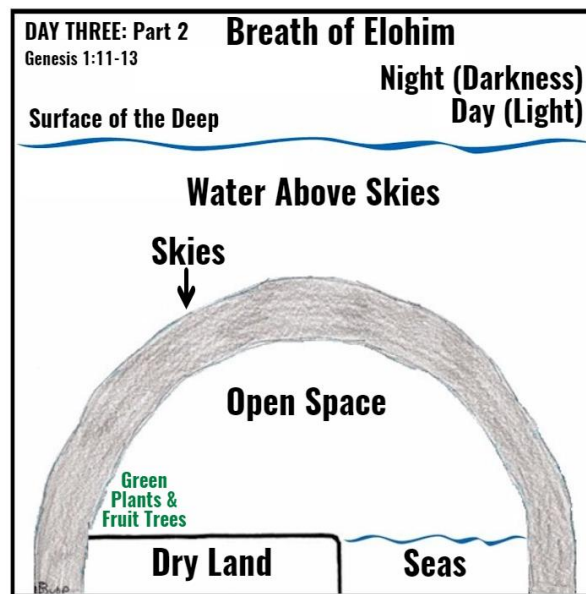
Monday Evening to Tuesday Evening

(Genesis 1:11-13)

(1:11) Elohim said, "Let the Dry Land cause to sprout³
a sprout of green plants seeding a seed,
and fruit trees bearing fruit according to its kind,
in which is its seed on the Dry Land."
And it was so.

(1:12) The Dry Land made a sprout to come out of
green plants seeding a seed of its kind
and a tree making fruit in which is a seed of its kind. A
Elohim saw that it was Tov.⁴

(1:13) And it was evening, and it was morning, Day Three.



³ Holladay 139b Hiphil

⁴ Hebrew word TOV.

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Day Four

Tuesday Evening to Wednesday Evening

(Genesis 1:14-19)

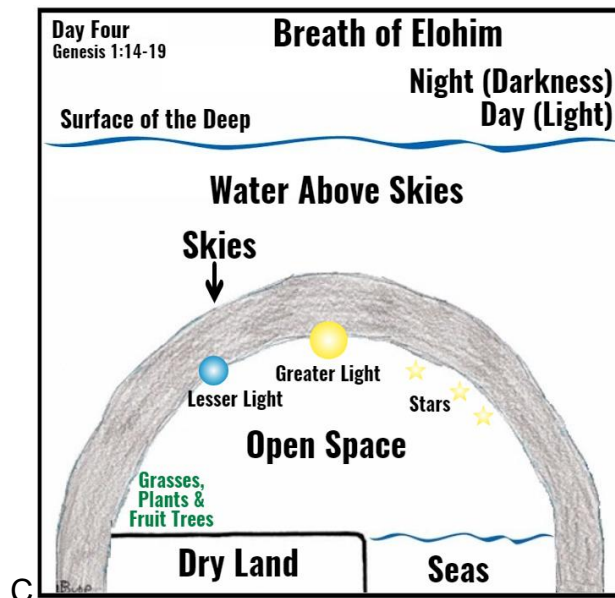
(1:14) Elohim said, “Let there be lights in the plate of the Skies to separate between the Day and the Night;

(1:15) and let them be for appointed times, and for days, and for years; and let them be for lights in the plate of the Skies to give light on the Dry Land.”
And it was so.

(1:16) Elohim made two great lights; the great light to rule the Day and the small light to rule the Night; and the stars.

(1:17) Elohim set them in the plate of the Skies, to cause light over the Dry Land, (1:18) and to rule over the Day and the Night; and to separate the Light from the Darkness.
Elohim saw that it was Tov.⁵

(1:19) And it was evening, and it was morning, Day Four.



⁵ Hebrew word TOV.

The Journey of Life

Day Five

Wednesday Evening to Thursday Evening

(Genesis 1:20-23)

(1:20) Elohim said, “Let the waters teem⁶ with creatures⁷ with a living soul⁸; and let winged creatures fly over the Dry Land and over the face of the Skies.”

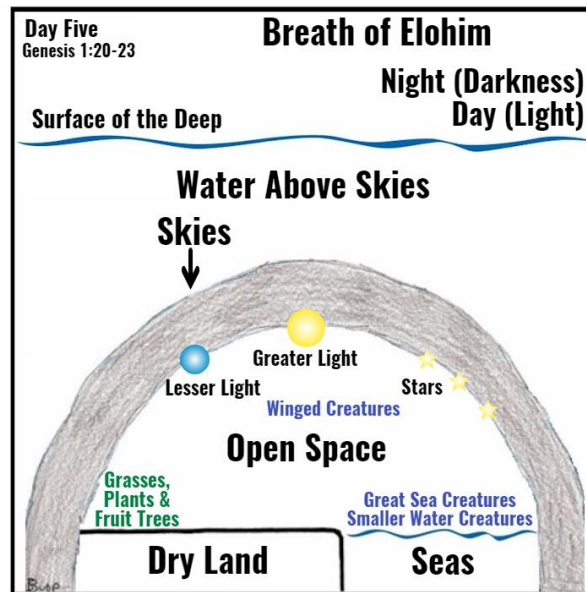
(1:21) Elohim created the great water Creatures, and every living soul of moving creature that teem the waters according to their kinds; and every winged creature that flies according to its kind.

Elohim saw that it was Tov.

(1:22) Elohim blessed and endued them with special power⁹, saying:

“Be fruitful and increase and fill the waters of the seas; and let the flying creatures increase in the Dry Land.”

(:23) And it was evening and it was morning, Day Five.



⁶ Holladay 384a – be innumerable

⁷ Holladay 384a – tiny living creatures occurring in large numbers in water, in the air, and on the land.

⁸ Holladay 241b NEFESH – throat, neck, breath

⁹ The Hebrew & Aramaic Lexicon of the Old Testament Vol. 1 p. 160a 1.

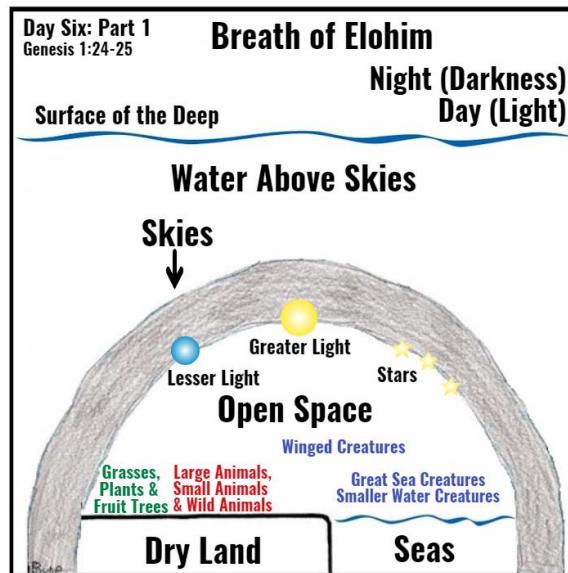
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Day Six: Part 1

Thursday Evening to Friday Evening
(Genesis 1:24-25)

(1:24) Elohim said, “The Dry Land shall cause to bring forth¹⁰ a living soul of from her; a large animal, a smaller moving animal, and a wild animal from her.”
And it was so.

(1:25) Elohim made the wild animals of the Dry Land from her, and a large animal from her, and every small animal of the ground¹¹ from her.
And Elohim saw that it was Tov.¹²



Day Six: Part 2

(Genesis 1:26-31)

1:26 Elohim said, “We shall make an ADAM in our image according to our likeness; and they shall have dominion over the fish of the sea and the flyers of the Skies; and over the large animals of the Earth, and over the smaller moving creatures and over the Earth.

¹⁰ Holladay 139b Hiphil

¹¹ Holladay 4b ADAMAH – I. 1. ground, soil 2. farmer 3. realm of the dead. III. (red) blood; reddish.

¹² Hebrew word TOV.

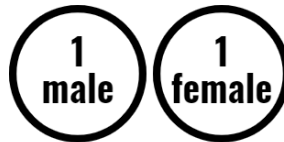
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(1:27) Elohim created the ADAM in His image;
in the image of Elohim He created him;
male and female He created them.

**Elohim created ADAM in His image;
in the image of Elohim He created him.**



"Male" and "female" Elohim created them.



"The ADAM" is the First Family.

(1:28) Elohim blessed and endued them with special power saying:
"Be fruitful and increase,
fill the Dry Land,
subdue her,
have dominion over the fish of the sea, and the flyers of the Skies,
and over every living and moving thing on the Dry Land.

The Alliance of Elohim

1. Parties of the Alliance

- A. Elohim the Creator created the Heavens, the Earth, and all their hosts.
- B. The ADAM, one male and one female, and their all future descendants.

2. Type of Relationships

- A. Elohim is "The Father."
- B. ADAM is "the son."
- C. ADAM is Elohim's Co-Representative over life on the Dry Land, in the seas, and flying in the air. ADAM is to exercise power over living things *like a shepherd over a flock*.

The Journey of Life

Food

(1:29) Elohim said, “Look! I have given you every green plant seeding a seed of its kind,
and every tree making fruit in which is a seed of its kind.
They shall be food for you.

(1:30) To every wild animal of the Dry Land,
and to every flying creature of the Skies,
and to everything moving on the Dry Land,
in which there is a living soul,
every green plant shall be food.

And it was so.”

(1:31) Elohim saw all which He had made.
Look! It was very Tov.
And it was evening and it was morning, Day Six.

The Journey of Life

Day Seven

Friday Evening to Saturday Evening
(Genesis 2:1-4a)

(2:1) The Skies, the Dry Land, and all their host¹³ were finished. (2:2) Elohim finished on the Seventh Day all His mission¹⁴ which It had done. And He rested on the Seventh Day from all His mission which He had done.

(2:3) Elohim blessed and endued the Seventh Day with special power and set it apart, because on the Seventh Day He rested from all His mission which He had created and made. These are the generations¹⁵ of the Skies and of the Dry Land when they were created.

The reader from the ancient world would know immediately what was going on and recognize the role of day seven. Without hesitation the ancient reader would conclude that this is a temple text and that day seven is the most important of the seven days. In a material account day seven would have little role, but in a functional account it is the true climax without which nothing else would make any sense or have any meaning.

The ancient readers and hearers all knew that “Deity rests in a temple, and only in a temple.” This is what temples were built for. We might even say that this is what a temple is — a place for divine rest. Perhaps even more significant, in some texts the construction of a temple is associated with cosmic creation.¹⁶

A temple is built in the ancient world so that deity can have a center for his rule. The temple is the residence and palace of the gods. The role of the temple in the ancient world is a place for the deity — a sacred space. It is his home, but more importantly his headquarters — the control room. When the deity rests in the temple it means that he is taking command, that he is mounting to his throne to assume his rightful place and his proper role. Elohim brought His wisdom to Creation.

*His Temple is the center of the ordered world
and from His temple order will be established and preserved in the world.¹⁷*

¹³ Holladay 302a

¹⁴ Holladay 196b

¹⁵ Holladay 387b

¹⁶ *The Lost World of Genesis One: Ancient Cosmology and the Origins Debate* by John W. Walton © 2009; InterVarsity Press, Downers Grove, IL; p. 72

¹⁷ *The Lost World of Genesis One*; p. 148.