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"WHEN GOD SPEAKS"

Genesis 2:4-9

STUDY OUTLINE

Passage: Genesis 2:4-9

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When God speaks, things happen! "God said" repeats nine times in chapter 1.

Introduction and Theme: In Genesis 1:1 the Bible gets right to the point and proclaims what God did, "In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth."

God created the Heavens and the Earth in six days(Gen. 2:1, Exodus 20:11). Chapter 1-2:4a presents a wide angle view of all seven days of creation. Then in Chapter 2:4b-24 the author zooms in on the sixth day giving details that were not possible in an overview like Chapter 1.

Words to define:

Account(8435), towledowth: a noun meaning a generation. In Gen.2:4 means the history of the created world.

LORD God: YAHWEH, pronounced Jehovah, the personal or proper name of Elohim. It is used here for the first time and introduces the third member of the Trinity.

Cultivate(5647), abad: a verb meaning to work, to serve. This labor may be focused on things, other people, or God. Here the word does not have connotations of toilsome labor but instead a joyful experience of liberation.

Breath(5397), n' shaman: a noun meaning breath, wind, spirit.

Life(2416), chay: a noun meaning a living thing.

Living being(5315), nephesh: that which breathes. Corresponds to the Greek word psuche(5590), which is translated soul or life.

Knowledge(1847): a noun meaning knowledge, knowing, learning, discernment, insight. Also used in the sense of knowing by experience, relationship, or encounter.

Good(2896), towb: morally correct, proper, beautiful, best, bountiful.

Evil(7451), ra": distress, misery, calamity, adversity, opposite of good. Something that is of poor quality or even ugly in appearance.

- I. Account of the Sixth Day of Creation. Genesis 2:4-9.
- a. The author zooms in on the sixth day of creation giving details which were not possible in an overview like Chapter 1-2:4a(v.4).
 - b. The plants made on day 3 had not yet sprouted because (v.5):1. No rain. 2. No man to cultivate the ground.No mention of rain is made until the flood (Gen.7:4).
 - c. The Pre-flood earth was watered by a mist for the earth(v.6).
- d. The LORD God created man from the dust of the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life(v.7a).
 - e. Man became a living being, soul; mind, emotion, will. (v.7b).
 - f. The LORD God planted a garden toward the east, in Eden(v.8a). Eden: delight, place of much water, suggests paradise.

- g. The LORD God placed(appointed) man in the Garden of Eden(v.8b). Man's responsibility was clearly defined.
- h. The LORD God caused to grow out of the ground every tree that is pleasing to the sight and good for food(9a).
- I. The LORD God placed two special trees in the middle of the Garden(9b).
 - 1. The tree of life.
 - 2. The tree of the knowledge of good and evil.

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