

# Genesis 2

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## The Seventh Day

(Exodus 16:22–30; Hebrews 4:1–11)

<sup>1</sup>And the heaven and the earth were finished, and all the host of them. <sup>2</sup>And on the seventh day God finished His work which He had made; and He rested on the seventh day from all His work which He had made. <sup>3</sup>And God blessed the seventh day, and hallowed it; because that in it He rested from all His work which God in creating had made.

## Man and Woman in the Garden

<sup>4</sup>These are the generations of the heaven and of the earth when they were created, in the day that the LORD God made earth and heaven. <sup>5</sup>No shrub of the field was yet in the earth, and no herb of the field had yet sprung up; for the LORD God had not caused it to rain upon the earth, and there was not a man to till the ground; <sup>6</sup>but there went up a mist from the earth, and watered the whole face of the ground. <sup>7</sup>Then the LORD God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul.

<sup>8</sup>And the LORD God planted a garden eastward, in Eden; and there He put the man whom He had formed. <sup>9</sup>And out of the ground made the LORD God to grow every tree that is pleasant to the sight, and good for food; the tree of life also in the midst of the garden, and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.

**10**And a river went out of Eden to water the garden; and from thence it was parted, and became four heads. **11**The name of the first is Pishon; that is it which compasseth the whole land of Havilah, where there is gold; **12**and the gold of that land is good; there is bdellium and the onyx stone. **13**And the name of the second river is Gihon; the same is it that compasseth the whole land of Cush. **14**And the name of the third river is Tigris; that is it which goeth toward the east of Asshur. And the fourth river is the Euphrates.

**15**And the LORD God took the man, and put him into the garden of Eden to dress it and to keep it. **16**And the LORD God commanded the man, saying: 'Of every tree of the garden thou mayest freely eat; **17**but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, thou shalt not eat of it; for in the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die.'

**18**And the LORD God said: 'It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a help meet for him.' **19**And out of the ground the LORD God formed every beast of the field, and every fowl of the air; and brought them unto the man to see what he would call them; and whatsoever the man would call every living creature, that was to be the name thereof. **20**And the man gave names to all cattle, and to the fowl of the air, and to every beast of the field; but for Adam there was not found a help meet for him.

**21**And the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and he slept; and He took one of his ribs, and closed up the place with flesh instead thereof. **22**And the rib, which the LORD God had taken from the man, made He a woman, and brought her unto the man.

**23**And the man said: 'This is now bone of my bones, and flesh of my flesh; she shall be called Woman, because she was taken out of Man.'

**24**Therefore shall a man leave his father and his mother, and shall cleave unto his wife, and they shall be one flesh. **25**And they were both naked, the man and his wife, and were not ashamed.