

Class Three

The New Heavens and New Earth

Dan 7:2-3 "Daniel spake and said, I saw in my vision by *night*, and, behold, the four winds of the heaven strove upon the great sea. And four great beasts came up from the sea, diverse one from another"

Rom 13:11-12 "And that, knowing the time, that now it is high time to awake out of sleep: for now is our salvation nearer than when we believed. The *night* is far spent, the day is at hand"

16 And God made two great lights; the greater light to rule the day, and the lesser light to *rule the night: he made the stars also. **Heb. political power*

17 And God set them in the firmament of the heaven to give light upon the earth,

18 And to rule over the day and over the night, and to divide the light from the darkness: and God saw that it was good.

“Night” – Represents dominion of Gentiles. Dan 7:2,13-14; 1The 5:1-7; Rom 13:11-14; John 9:4-5

STEP FIFTEEN: Saints exalted in status

“Lesser Light (Moon)” – Ecclesia/Bride reflecting the Sun (Song 6:10)

“The Stars” – Saints (1Cor 15:41; Dan 12:3)

Rev 2:26-28 “He that overcometh, and keepeth my works unto the end, *to him will I give power over the nations: And he shall rule them with a rod of iron”*

Psa 149:5-9 “Let the saints be joyful in glory...Let the high praises of God be in their mouth, and a twoedged sword in their hand; *To execute vengeance upon the heathen, and punishments upon the people; To bind their kings with chains, and their nobles with fetters of iron; To execute upon them the judgment written: this honour have all his saints. Praise Ye the LORD”*

20 ¶ And God said, Let the waters bring forth abundantly the moving creature that hath life, and fowl that may fly above the earth in the open firmament of heaven.

Zec 2:11-12 “And many nations shall be joined to the LORD in that day”

Isa 49:6 “And he said, It is a light thing that thou shouldest be my servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob, and to restore the preserved of Israel: I will also give thee for a light to the Gentiles, that thou mayest be my salvation unto the end of the earth”

STEP SIXTEEN: Gentiles produce Life
“Waters bring forth” – Zec 14:16-17 “Every one that is left of all the nations which came against Jerusalem shall even go up from year to year *to worship the King, the LORD of hosts*” (Isa 60:12!)

Isa 2:2 “In the last days, that the mountain of the LORD’S house shall be established in the top of the mountains...and all nations shall flow unto it”

Jer 3:17 “They shall call Jerusalem the throne of the LORD; and all the nations shall be gathered unto it, to the name of the LORD, to Jerusalem: neither shall they walk any more after the imagination of their evil heart”

Earth then Waters bring forth life: Gospel to Jew First, Then Gentile (Rom 1:16)

20 ¶ And God said, Let the waters bring forth abundantly the moving creature that hath life, and fowl that may fly above the earth in the open firmament of heaven.

Zec 8:22-23 *“Yea, many people and strong nations shall come to seek the LORD of hosts in Jerusalem, and to pray before the LORD...ten men shall take hold out of all languages of the nations, even shall take hold of the skirt of him that is a Jew, saying, We will go with you: for we have heard that God is with you.”*

STEP SEVENTEEN: Exalted Gentile Nations

Gentiles who identify with Jews—*fowl of the open firmament*—elevated in Kingdom

“Fowl” – Isa 2:2-4 **“The mountain of the LORD’S house shall be established in the top of the mountains, and shall be exalted above the hills; and all nations shall flow unto it. And many people shall go and say, Come ye, and let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob; and he will teach us of his ways, and we will walk in his paths: for out of Zion shall go forth the law, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem. And he shall judge among the nations, and shall rebuke many people”**

Fowl—reps. kingdoms (Jer. 15:3-4; 19:7; 34:20; Deu. 28:25-26)

21 And God created great whales, and every living creature that moveth, which the waters brought forth abundantly, after their kind, and every winged fowl after his kind: and God saw that it was good.

22 And God blessed them, saying, Be fruitful, and multiply, and fill the waters in the seas, and let fowl multiply in the earth.

Gal 3:8 "Scripture, foreseeing that God would justify the heathen thru faith, preached before the gospel unto Abraham, saying, *In thee shall all nations be blessed*"

STEP EIGHTEEN: God's glory fills earth

Blessing goes to all nations to fill the Earth

"God Blessed"--"Fill" – "Waters" –

Hab 2:14 "For the earth shall be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the LORD, *as the waters cover the sea*"

Num 14:21 "But as truly as I live, *all the earth shall be filled* with the glory of the LORD"

Isa 66:22-23 "For as the new heavens and the new earth, which I will make, shall remain before me, saith the LORD, so shall your seed and your name remain. And it shall come to pass, that from one new moon to another, and from one sabbath to another, shall *all flesh come to worship before me, saith the LORD*"

24 ¶ And God said, Let the earth bring forth the living creature after his kind, cattle, and creeping thing, and beast of the earth after his kind: and it was so.

25 And God made the beast of the earth after his kind, and cattle after their kind, and every thing that creepeth upon the earth after his kind: and God saw that it was good.

Earth Bring Forth—
Israel center of the life in
Future Age: typified by all
creatures formed from
earth (Gen 2:19)

STEP NINETEEN: Beast-Nations Rest

“Beasts” – Zep 2:13-14 “And he will... destroy Assyria; and will make Nineveh a desolation..., and dry like a wilderness. And flocks shall lie down in the midst of her, *all the beasts of the nations...*” (Dan 7; Lev 20:24-26; Jer 27:6-7)

Isa 11:6-9 “The wolf also shall dwell with the lamb, and the leopard shall lie down with the kid; and the calf and the young lion and the fatling together...the cow and the bear shall feed; their young ones shall lie down together: and the lion shall eat straw like the ox....They shall not hurt nor destroy in all my holy mountain: for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the LORD, *as the waters cover the sea*”

26 ¶ And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness: and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth

Man in his fallen state—
Ecc 3:18-20 “I said in mine heart concerning the estate of the sons of men, that *God might manifest them, and that they might see that they themselves are beasts...* For that which befalleth the sons of men befalleth beasts...so that *a man hath no preeminence above a beast”*

STEP TWENTY: Christ in God's Image

Man is Created by God to Have Dominion

“Image” – Col 1:14-16 *“(Christ) who is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of every creature: For by him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things *were created by him, and for him*”*

Heb 1:2-3 *“(God) hath in these last days spoken unto us by his Son, *whom he hath appointed heir of all things, by whom also he made the worlds*; Who being the brightness of his glory, and the express image of his person, and upholding all things by the word of his power”*

2Cor 4:4 *“Christ, who is the image of God, should shine unto them”*

26 ¶ And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness: and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth.

1Cor 15:45-47 “And so it is written, *The first man Adam was made a living soul; the last Adam was made a quickening spirit.* Howbeit that was not first which is spiritual, but that which is natural; and afterward that which is spiritual”

STEP TWENTY: Second Adam to Rule

Christ to have dominion over lower creation

“Dominion” – Psa 8:4-8 *“What is man, that thou art mindful of him? and the son of man, that thou visitest him? For thou hast made him a little lower than the angels, and hast crowned him with glory and honour. Thou madest him to have dominion over the works of thy hands; thou hast put all things under his feet: All sheep and oxen, yea, and the beasts of the field; The fowl of the air, and the fish of the sea, and whatsoever passeth through the paths of the seas”*

[Psalm 8 directly quoted for Christ’s “dominion”](#)

The Lord is the Last Adam of the New Creation. Where the First Adam failed, the Lord prevailed.

“Man being in honour abideth not: he is like the beasts that perish” Psa 49:12

Heb 2:10-11 "For it became him, for whom are all things, and by whom are all things, *in bringing many sons unto glory, to make the captain of their salvation perfect through sufferings*"

Phi 3:20-21 "For our conversation is in heaven; from whence also we look for the Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ: Who shall change our vile body, that it may be fashioned like unto his glorious body, according to the working whereby he is able even to subdue all things unto himself"

STEP TWENTY: Second Adam to Rule

Christ to have dominion over lower creation

"Dominion" – Heb 2:5-9 "*For unto the angels hath he not put in subjection the world to come, whereof we speak. But one in a certain place testified, saying, What is man, that thou art mindful of him? or the son of man, that thou visitest him?...Thou hast put all things in subjection under his feet. For in that he put all in subjection under him, he left nothing that is not put under him. But now we see not yet all things put under him. But we see Jesus, who was made a little lower than the angels for the suffering of death, crowned with glory and honour; that he by the grace of God should taste death for every man."*

Christ became the Adam of the New Creation

27 So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; * male and female created he them.

28 And God blessed them, and God said unto them, * Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it: and have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over every living thing. * *Expanded later*

Cyrus: God's Shepherd (Isa 44:28) typical of Christ is commanded:

“Thus saith the LORD to his anointed, to Cyrus, whose right hand I have holden, to subdue nations before him”—Isa 45:1 (see: Isa 13:3)

STEP TWENTY: Christ Subdues Creation

“Subdue” — 1Cor 15:24-28 *“Then cometh the end, when he shall have delivered up the kingdom to God, even the Father; when he shall have put down all rule and all authority and power. For he must reign, till he hath put all enemies under his feet. The last enemy that shall be destroyed is death. For he hath put all things under his feet. But when he saith all things are put under him, it is manifest that he is excepted, which did put all things under him. And when all things shall be subdued unto him, then shall the Son also himself be subject unto him that put all things under him, that God may be all in all”*

29 ¶ And God said,
Behold, I have given you
every herb bearing seed,
which is upon the face of
all the earth, and every
tree, in the which is the
fruit of a tree yielding
seed; to you it shall be for
meat.

30 And to every beast of
the earth, and to every
fowl of the air, and to
every thing that creepeth
upon the earth, wherein
there is life, I have given
every green herb for meat:
and it was so.

Sustenance for all comes
from the “seed” of word:
(1Pet 1:23; Luke 8:11)

STEP TWENTY-ONE: No bloodshed

Literal & figurative “beasts” tamed

“Seed” – Isa 11:6-10 *“The wolf also shall dwell with the lamb, and the leopard shall lie down with the kid; and the calf and the young lion and the fatling together; and a little child shall lead them. And the cow and the bear shall feed; their young ones shall lie down together: and the lion shall eat straw like the ox...They shall not hurt nor destroy in all my holy mountain: for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the LORD, as the waters cover the sea. And in that day there shall be a root of Jesse, which shall stand for an ensign of the people; to it shall the Gentiles seek: and his rest shall be glorious”*

Dan 7:5 *“And behold another beast...like to a bear...and they said thus unto it, Arise, devour much flesh”* (Nations cf. Dan 7:17)

31 ¶ And God saw every thing that he had made, and, behold, it was very good. And the evening and the morning were the sixth day.

“But, beloved, be not ignorant of this one thing, that one day is with the Lord as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day. The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to usward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance,” 2 Pet 3:8-9.

“Men were not ushered into being for the purpose of being saved or lost! God-Manifestation, not human salvation, was the grand purpose of the Eternal Spirit. The salvation of a multitude is incidental to the manifestation, but it was not the end proposed. The Eternal Spirit intended to enthrone Himself on the earth, and, in so doing, to develop a divine family from among men; every one of whom shall be spirit because, born of spirit, and that this family shall be large enough to fill the earth, when perfected, to the entire exclusion of flesh and blood” —J. Thomas, 1858 (*Herald of the Kingdom*, pg. 84)

Irenaeus, Against Heresies, wrote:

“For in as many days as this world was made, in so many thousand years shall it be concluded...at which time, Christ, the stone which is cut out without hands, shall destroy temporal kingdoms, and introduce an eternal one” (A.D. 180, Chapter 5, 26).

Decline and Fall of the Roman Empire: “The ancient and popular doctrine of the Millennium was intimately connected with the second coming of Christ. *As the works of creation had been finished in six days, their duration in their present state, according to tradition which was attributed to the prophet Elijah, was fixed to six thousand years.* By the same analogy it was inferred that this long period of labor and contention...would be succeeded by a joyful Sabbath *of a thousand years*; and that Christ, with the triumphant band of saints and the elect who had escaped death, or who had been miraculously revived, would reign upon earth... The assurance of such a Millennium was carefully inculcated by a succession of fathers from Justin Martyr and Irenaeus, who conversed with the immediate disciples of the apostles, down to Lactantius, who was preceptor to the son of Constantine.” — *Edward Gibbon*

“Blessed and holy is he that hath part in the first resurrection: on such the second death hath no power, but they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with him a thousand years,” Revelation 20:6.

“And Enoch also, the seventh from Adam, prophesied of these, saying, Behold the Lord cometh with ten thousand of his saints, to execute judgment upon all, and to convince all that are ungodly among them of all their ungodly deeds which they have ungodly committed,” Jude 14-15.

***The Epistle of Barnabas* wrote in the second century: “Attend, my children, to the meaning of this expression, ‘He finished in six days’. This implies that the Lord will finish all things in six thousand years. Therefore, my children, in six days, that is, in six thousand years, all things will be finished. ‘And he rested on the seventh day’. This means: when His son, coming again, shall destroy the time of the wicked man, and judge the ungodly, and change the sun, and the stars, then shall He truly rest on the seventh day...Wherefore also, we keep the eighth day with joyfulness, the day also on which Jesus rose again from the dead” (Chapter 15).**

Encyclopedia Britannica,
Millennium: "Faith in the
nearness of Christ's
second advent and the
establishment of his
reign of glory on the
earth was undoubtedly a
strong point in the
primitive Church...
*Augustine was the first
who ventured to teach
that the Catholic Church,
in its empirical form was
the kingdom of Christ,
that the millennial
kingdom had
commenced with the
appearing of Christ, and
was therefore an
accomplished fact.*"

Mosheim's Ecclesiastical History, chp. 3,
part 2 concerning the Third Century:
"The most famous controversies that
divided the Christians during this
century were those concerning the
millennium, or reign of a thousand years;
the baptism of heretics, and the doctrine
of Origen. *Long before this period, an
opinion had prevailed; that Christ was to
come and reign a thousand years among
men, before the entire and final
dissolution of this world...* But, in this
century, its credit began to decline
principally through the influence and
authority of Origen, who opposed it with
the greatest warmth, because it was not
compatible with some of his favorite
sentiments."

Gen 2:1 ¶ Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all the host of them.

2 And on the seventh day God ended his work which he had made; and he rested on the seventh day from all his work which he had made.

3 And God blessed the seventh day, and sanctified it: because that in it he had rested from all his work which God created and made.

Rev 11:15 “**And the seventh angel sounded...saying, the Kingdoms of this world are become the Kingdoms of our Lord, and of his Christ**”

STEP TWENTY-TWO: Seventh Day Rest

Reign of Christ, Inheritance of the Saints

“Seventh Day” – “Rest” – “Let us therefore fear, lest, a promise being left us of entering into His rest, any of you should seem to come short of it. For unto us was the gospel preached, as well as unto them...*For we which have believed do enter into rest*, as he said, As I have sworn in my wrath, if they shall enter into my rest; *although the works were finished from the foundation of the world*. For he spake in a certain place of the seventh day on this wise, *And God did rest the seventh day from all his works...There remaineth therefore a rest (mg. ‘Sabbath’) to the people of God. For he that is entered into his rest, he also hath ceased from his own works, as God did from his. Let us labor therefore to enter into that rest, lest any man fall after the same example of unbelief*” (Heb 4:1-11).
Context: Joshua bringing Israel into the Land

2:4 ¶ These are the ***generations** of the heavens and of the earth when they were created, in the day that the **LORD** God made the earth and the heavens
**The word "generations" is used for offspring of man.*

*"I will be" is singular, first Person, future tense.
"Who" is plural, both masculine and feminine.*

The Memorial Name denotes a prophetic purpose: "He Who Shall Be, Manifested in A Multitude"

These "generations" were Created by Yahweh

"Yahweh" first appears after Creation work
"Yahweh" – Exo 3:11-15 "And Moses said unto God, Behold, when I come unto the children of Israel, and shall say unto them, The God of your fathers hath sent me unto you; and they shall say to me, What is his name? what shall I say unto them? And God said unto Moses, I AM THAT I AM: and he said, Thus shalt thou say unto the children of Israel, I AM hath sent me unto you. And God said moreover unto Moses, Thus shalt thou say unto the children of Israel, The LORD God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, hath sent me unto you: this is my name for ever, *and this is my memorial unto all generations.*"

Among other principles, the Memorial Name is related to the seed of Abraham—all generations—taken out of Egyptian darkness to serve Yahweh.

5 And every plant of the field before it was in the earth, and every herb of the field before it grew: for the LORD God had not caused it to rain upon the earth, and there was not a man to till the ground.

Amos 8:11 "Behold, the days come, saith the Lord GOD, that I will send a famine in the land, not a famine of bread, nor a thirst for water, *but of hearing the words of the LORD*"

No rain during the days of Jezebel (Jam 5:17).

RAIN: God's Divine Method for Growth

Genesis now expands details of Creation

"Rain" – Deu 32:2 *"My doctrine shall drop as the rain, my speech shall distil as the dew, as the small rain upon the tender herb, and as the showers upon the grass"*

Isa 55:10-11 *"For as the rain cometh down, and the snow from heaven, and returneth not thither, but watereth the earth, and maketh it bring forth and bud, that it may give seed to the sower, and bread to the eater: So shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth: it shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it"*

6 But there went up a mist from the earth, and watered the whole face of the ground.

“The sun, which drives the water cycle, heats water in the oceans. Some of it is evaporated into the air ...where cooler temperatures cause it to condense into clouds. Air currents move clouds around the globe, cloud particles collide, grow, and fall out of the sky as precipitation”—USGS Water Science

God's Divine Lesson of Evaporation

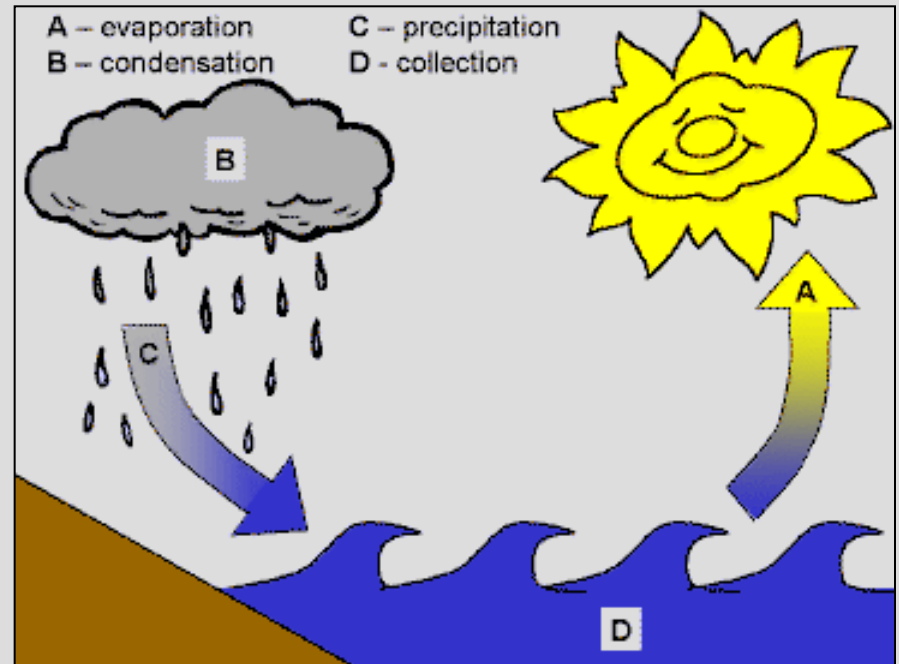
The cycle of water—the word—is beautiful

“**Mist**” — Job 36:27 “For he maketh small the drops of water: they pour down rain according to the vapour thereof: Which the clouds do drop and distil upon man abundantly” (*same Heb. word as “mist”*)



2Cor 4:3-6 "But if our gospel be hid, it is hid to them that are lost: In whom the god of this world hath blinded the minds of them which believe not, lest the light of the glorious gospel of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine unto them. For we preach not ourselves, but Christ Jesus the Lord; and ourselves your servants for Jesus' sake. For God, who commanded the light to shine out of darkness, hath shined in our hearts, to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ"

* This is a direct quote from Gen. 1:3 (see mg.). Literally and spiritually the cycle is continuous!



SUN—Christ, Gospel (Mal 4:2; 2Pet 1:19; Rev 2:28; Psa 89:35-36)

WATERS—Nations, People (Isa 17:12; 57:20; Rev 17:15)

CLOUDS—Saints (Heb 12:1; 1The 4:17; Mat 24:30; Rev 1:7)

RAIN—Word of God (Deu 32:2; Isa 55:10-11; Joel 2:23; Amos 8:11-12)

7 And 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.

Rom 5:14 “Nevertheless death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over them that had not sinned after the similitude of Adam’s transgression, *who is the figure of him that was to come*”

1Cor 15:45 “And so it is written, The first man Adam was made a living soul; *the last Adam was made a quickening spirit*”

ADAM: The Spirit-Breathed Creation

Natural and Spiritual created by the Spirit

“Breath of life” – 2Tim 3:15-17 “And that from a child thou hast known *the holy scriptures*, which are able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus. *All scripture is given by inspiration of God*, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: That the man of God may be perfect, throughly furnished unto all good works.”

NIV “All Scripture is God-Breathed”

Rotherham “God-Breathed”

Spiritual man product of Inspired Word

7 And 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* **quoted 1Cor 15:45*

The word “spirit” is the Hebrew ruwach—to breathe—Strong’s #7307.

The word “quick understanding” is the Hebrew ruwach—to inhale—Strong’s #7306.

The principle: when Yahweh breathed out or exhaled, through His spirit-Word, His son, the Lord Jesus Christ, breathed in, or inhaled.

Spirit-Breathed Word Creates Life

Words “spirit” and “breath” can be same

“**Spirit-Breath**” – Isa 11:1-4 “And there shall come forth a rod out of the stem of Jesse, and a Branch shall grow out of his roots: And the spirit of the LORD shall rest upon him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the LORD; And shall make him of * quick understanding in the fear of the LORD: and he shall not judge after the sight of his eyes, neither reprove after the hearing of his ears”

Margin: “scent or smell”

Jeru. Bible “fear of Yahweh was his breath”

7 And 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.

“(Psa 33)...it is by the same Word that His ‘new creation’ is likewise moulded into shape (Rev 3:14). Thus, the physical regeneration of the earth is set forth in Scripture as typical of the moral regeneration of man by the power of the Gospel”—*Genesis Expositor*, pg. 30 H.P.M.

Second Adam, Saints created by Word

Spirit-Word creative power of Christ, Saints

John 6:63 “It is the spirit *that quickeneth*; the flesh profiteth nothing: *the words that I speak unto you, they are spirit, and they are life*”

1 John 5:6 “And it is the Spirit that beareth witness, because *the Spirit is truth*”

Psa 33:6-9 “By the word of the LORD were the heavens made; and all the host of them by the breath of his mouth. He gathereth the waters of the sea together as an heap...For he spake, and it was done; he commanded, and it stood fast”