

Study notes for Genesis 2:4 - 25

- Since chapter 1 of Genesis already covered all 6 days of Creation including the day of rest on the seventh day, why do you think God wanted us to back up and focus on the 6th day once again with greater detail? How would you explain it to someone who had never read the Bible before?
- Since everything in chapter 1 was created out of nothing, why do you think God created man from the elements (dust) of the earth?
- Read **verse 7** once again. What happened when God breathed into the nostrils of the man?
- What does **Genesis 2:7** have in common with **John 20:19-22**?
- How could you use **Genesis 2:7** and **John 20:19-22** to share the Gospel with an unbeliever?
- The phrase “**breath of life**” occurs only here in the Old Testament. Why do you think that is?
- In **verse 9** we learn that the fruit-bearing trees were created in such a way they were “pleasant to the sight.” Why do you think God made trees that were beautiful to see?
- According to **Genesis 3:22–23** what was the purpose of **the Tree of Life**?
- How would you explain to someone who didn’t understand why God placed **the Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil** in the Garden of Eden?
- Read **Genesis 3:17** carefully and think about the warning God gave concerning **the Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil**. What were the consequences for disobedience that God outlined?
- What statement did God make about the man in **Genesis 2:18**?
- In the same verse, what promise did God make concerning the need of the man?
- According to **3:18** what were God’s intentions in creating the woman?
- How have marriages today generally veered away from God’s original intentions for Eve?
- What do you think is the significance of the woman being created from a body part from the man?
- How did Adam describe the woman when he saw her? (**3:23**)
- Why is it important for a man to “leave his father and mother” when he takes a wife?
- What does it mean for a husband to “hold fast” to his wife? What does that look like?
- What does it mean for a couple to be “one flesh”?
- Read **Matthew 19:3-6**. What does that passage tell you about how Jesus viewed Genesis chapter 2?