# BIBLE for GROWN-UPS

IN THE BEGINNING



# Bible stories

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The story of the Bible



#### Jesus didn't write the Bible.



But Jesus is the reason we have the Bible.



# WHY SO MANY?

Many have undertaken to draw up an account of the things that have been fulfilled among us, ...

- Luke 1:1 NIV

- Matthew
- James
- Mark
- Paul

- Luke (Gospel + Acts)
- Peter
- Hebrews (Unknown)
- Jude

John



# One God vs. many gods

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Followers of The Way:
"You have to give up
all your gods!"



## The Law and the Prophets

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Followers of The Way
Discovered that the Jewish writings
were the backstory to the Jesus story.



# In the beginning God ...

Genesis 1: 1 NIV



# Genesis stands in startling contrast to other ancient creation stories.

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Genesis is a worldview unto itself.





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Everything that has a beginning has a cause.



Moses is building a case that's no longer needed because his argument ultimately succeeded.

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Moses is not explaining how God created, he is explaining that God created the heavens and the earth.

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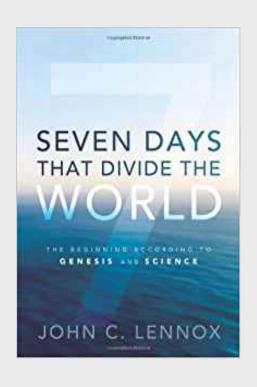


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Genesis 1: 1 NIV



## THE BOOK OF GENESIS



# SEVEN DAYS THAT DIVIDE THE WORLD

John C. Lennox



#### Babylonia's Marduk: "Enuma Elish"

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"I will establish a savage,
man shall be his name.
Savage man I will create.
He shall be charged
with the service of the gods.
That they might be at ease."



# Then God said, "Let us make mankind (human race) in our image, in our likeness,

Genesis 1: 26 NIV



Then God said,

"Let us make mankind (human race)

in our image, in our likeness,

so that they may rule over

the fish of the sea and the birds in the sky,

over the livestock and all the wild animals,

and over all the creatures that move ...

Genesis 1: 26 NIV



So God created mankind in his own image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them.

Genesis 1: 27 NIV



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Genesis 1:1: Monotheistic worldview

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Why is there something rather than nothing? Why are you here and why do you matter?

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You are here on purpose, with a purpose. Bl



#### WHEN THE TIME WAS RIGHT ...

You see, at just the right time, when we were still powerless, Christ (Jesus) died for the ungodly.

Romans 5: 6 NIV

But when the set time had fully come, God sent his Son (Jesus) ... that we might receive adoption to sonship.

Galatians 4: 4-5 NIV

