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And God separated the light from the darkness. <sup>5</sup> God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day. <sup>6</sup> And God said, “Let there be an expanse in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters.”



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<sup>7</sup> And God made the expanse and separated the waters that were under the expanse from the waters that were above the expanse. And it was so. <sup>8</sup> And God called the expanse Heaven. And there was evening and there was morning, the second day. <sup>9</sup> And God said,

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“Let the waters under the heavens be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear.” And it was so. <sup>10</sup> God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas. And God saw that it was good.



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<sup>11</sup> And God said, “Let the earth sprout vegetation, plants yielding seed, and fruit trees bearing fruit in which is their seed, each according to its kind, on the earth.” And it was so. <sup>12</sup> The earth brought forth vegetation, plants yielding seed according to their own kinds,

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and trees bearing fruit in which is their seed, each according to its kind. And God saw that it was good. <sup>13</sup> And there was evening and there was morning, the third day. <sup>14</sup> And God said, "Let there be lights in the expanse of the heavens to separate the day from the night.



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And let them be for signs and for seasons, and for days and years,<sup>15</sup> and let them be lights in the expanse of the heavens to give light upon the earth.” And it was so.<sup>16</sup> And God made the two great lights—the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night—and the stars.



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<sup>17</sup> And God set them in the expanse of the heavens to give light on the earth, <sup>18</sup> to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. <sup>19</sup> And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day. <sup>20</sup> And God said,

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“Let the waters swarm with swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the expanse of the heavens.”<sup>21</sup> So God created the great sea creatures and every living creature that moves, with which the waters swarm, according to their kinds,



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and every winged bird according to its kind. And God saw that it was good. <sup>22</sup> And God blessed them, saying, “Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth.” <sup>23</sup> And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth day. <sup>24</sup> And God said,

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“Let the earth bring forth living creatures according to their kinds—livestock and creeping things and beasts of the earth according to their kinds.” And it was so.

<sup>25</sup> And God made the beasts of the earth according to their kinds and the livestock according to their kinds,



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and everything that creeps on the ground according to its kind. And God saw that it was good. <sup>26</sup> Then 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 birds of the heavens and over the livestock and over all the earth

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and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth.”<sup>27</sup> So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them.

<sup>28</sup> And God blessed them. And God said to them, “Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth and subdue it,



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and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over every living thing that moves on the earth.”

<sup>29</sup> And God said, “Behold, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is on the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit.

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You shall have them for food. <sup>30</sup> And to every beast of the earth and to every bird of the heavens and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food.” And it was so.



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<sup>31</sup> And God saw everything that he had made, and behold, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

<sup>2:1</sup> Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all the host of them.

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<sup>2</sup> And on the seventh day God finished his work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all his work that he had done. <sup>3</sup> So God blessed the seventh day and made it holy, because on it God rested from all his work that he had done in creation.



# God Creates

As a reflection of His being, God is creating and establishing His Kingdom.

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God's people in God's place under  
God's rule and enjoying God's  
blessing.



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## Pattern of the Kingdom of God:

God's People: Adam and Eve

God's Place: Eden

Under God's Gen. 2:16-17, God's

Rule & Blessing: creation and presence

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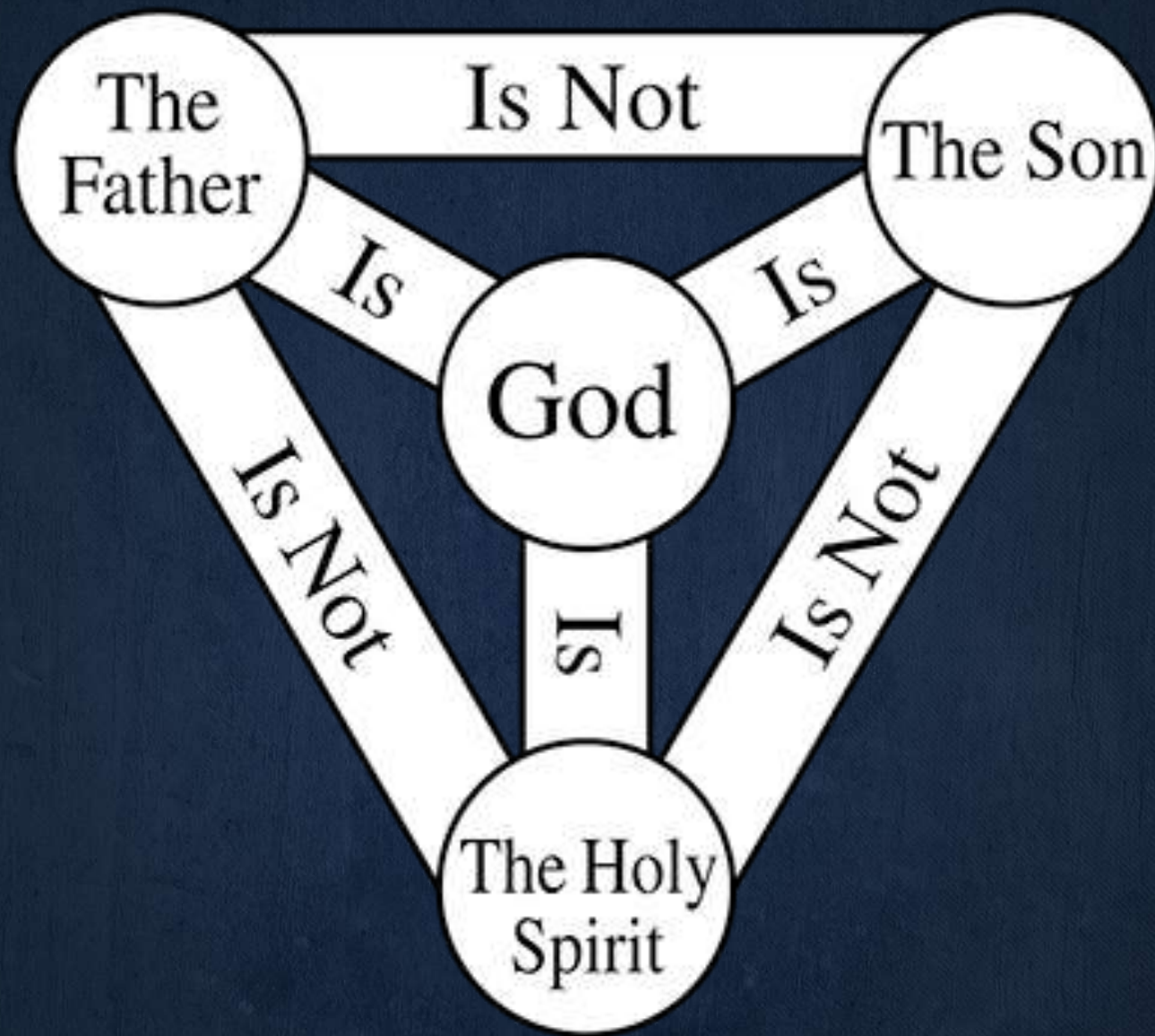
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Before there was a beginning there was God.



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## Romans 1:19-20

For what can be known about God is plain to them, because God has shown it to them. <sup>20</sup> For his invisible attributes, namely, his eternal power and divine nature, have been clearly perceived, ever since the creation of the world, in the things that have been made. So they are without excuse.



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- An overflow of His goodness
- An overflow of His glory
- An overflow of His wisdom
- An overflow of His mercy and grace



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Before there was a beginning there was God.

Before there was a beginning there was love and community.

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Before there was a beginning there was God.

Before there was a beginning there was love and community.

Before there was a beginning there was darkness.



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<sup>4</sup> And God saw that the light was good. And God separated the light from the darkness.



## John 1:1-5

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. <sup>2</sup> He was in the beginning with God. <sup>3</sup> All things were made through him, and without him was not any thing made that was made. <sup>4</sup> In him was life, and the life was the light of men.

# John 1:1-5

<sup>5</sup> The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.