

<u>Days of Creation</u>	<u>Daniel 12</u>	<u>Genesis 1 and 2</u>
<p>DAY 1 Theme: Separating Time</p>	<p><i>“And at that time, Michael shall stand up, the great ruler who stands for the sons of your people. And there shall be a time of distress, such as has not been from the being of a nation until that time.”</i> (verse 1a)</p> <p>Note: Israel's tribulation in the First Century was a “nighttime” like no other in history. But the Day(time) of the Lord was fast-approaching (see Jeremiah 30:7-9; Matthew 24:21-22;).</p>	<p><i>“And God saw the light, that it was good, and God separated between the light and darkness. And God called the light, Day. And He called the darkness, Night. And there was evening, and there was morning the first day.”</i> (Genesis 1:4-5)</p>
<p>DAY 2 Theme: Separating the WATERS (“people,” see Revelation 17:15)</p>	<p><i>“And at that time, your people shall be delivered, everyone that shall be found written in the Book.”</i> (verse 1b)</p> <p>Note: “Waters” represent “peoples, multitudes, nations, and languages (Revelation 17:15),” and the “skies”, or “heavens” represent people as well (Deuteronomy 31:28-30; Deuteronomy 32:1). Among Daniel's ethnic people (the Jews), only those “found written in the book” would be delivered at the time of the end. These separated people are the “waters” below the EXPANSE (firmament) called “heaven (Genesis 1:8).” That “heaven” refers to the law of the first Covenant (see Isaiah 51:4, 12-13, 16; Matthew 5:17-18). Those people who were subject to the old law were said to be “under heaven (see Acts 2:5; Colossians 1:23; see also Psalms 57:1-11; Psalms 108:1-5; Ephesians 4:7-10).”</p>	<p><i>And God said, Let an EXPANSE (firmament) be in the midst of the waters, and let it be dividing between the waters and the waters. And God made the expanse, and He separated between the waters which were under the expanse and the waters which were above the expanse. And it was so. And God called the expanse, Heavens. And there was evening, and there was morning the second day.</i> (Genesis 1:6-8)</p>
<p>DAY 3 Theme: Separating the SEA (“gentiles,” see Isaiah 60:5) from the EARTH (“the Old Covenant people,” Isaiah 44:25; Isaiah 54:5), Rising out of the Earth</p>	<p><i>“And many of those sleeping in the earth's dust shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to reproaches and to everlasting condemnation.”</i> (verse 2)</p> <p>Note: There were people resurrected out of the Earth who came under everlasting condemnation. They were cast into the SEA (the region of the gentiles, symbolized by the temple's outer court), which has no place in God's New Creation (see Genesis 1:1; Mark 11:23 with Revelation 8:8; Acts 27:35-38; Revelation 11: 1-2; Revelation 21:1).</p>	<p><i>“And God said, Let the waters under the heavens be collected to one place, and let the dry land appear. And it was so. And God called the dry land, Earth. And He called the collection of the waters, Seas. And God saw that it was good. And God said, Let the earth sprout tender sprouts, the plant seeding seed, the fruit tree producing fruit according to its kind, whichever seed is in it on the earth. And it was so. And the earth bore tender sprouts, the plant seeding seed according to its kind, and the fruit tree producing fruit according to its kind, whichever seed is in it. And God saw that it was good.”</i> (Genesis 1: 9-12)</p>

Figure 3. The Days of Creation: A Comparison of Daniel 12 with Genesis 1 and 2

<u>Days of Creation</u>	<u>Daniel 12</u>	<u>Genesis 1 and 2</u>
<p>DAY 4 Theme: Filling the Daytime and the Nighttime</p>	<p><i>“And those who act wisely shall shine as the brightness of the firmament, and those turning many to righteousness as the stars forever and ever.” (verse 3)</i></p> <p>Note: This verse furnishes an important clue to the connection between Daniel 12 and Genesis 1 and 2. The Hebrew word for “firmament” – “<i>rawqiyah</i>” (Strong’s <i>H7549</i>) – appears only seventeen times in the scriptures, including (most notably), nine times in Genesis 1.</p>	<p><i>“And God said, Let luminaries be in the expanse of the heavens, to divide between the day and the night. And let them be for signs and for seasons, and for days and years. And let them be for luminaries in the expanse of the heavens, to give light on the earth. And it was so. And God made the two great luminaries: the great luminary to rule the day, and the small luminary and the stars to rule the night. And God set them in the expanse of the heavens, to give light on the earth, and to rule over the day and over the night; and to divide between the light and the darkness.” (Genesis 1:14-18a)</i></p>
<p>DAY 5 Theme: Filling the WATERS (see Revelation 17:15) and the SKIES (see Deuteronomy 31:28-30; Deuteronomy 32:1)</p>	<p><i>“And thou, Daniel, close the words, and seal the book to the time of the end; until many are taught, and knowledge is increased.” (verse 4)</i></p> <p>Note: The more common translation of this verse which reads, “many shall run to and fro” is unfortunate. Instead, the Septuagint (LXX) and the Apostolic Bible present the notion of “many being taught,” which results in the increase of knowledge. Ultimately, the fattening of “the Heavens and the Earth” in Genesis is the formation of a PEOPLE (see Genesis 2:4; Deuteronomy 4:26; Deuteronomy 31:28; Deuteronomy 30:19; Deuteronomy 32:1). People are “fattened” through their <i>doctrine</i>, that is, what they are taught. This is principally how the “WATERS” and the “SKIES” (people) of creation were filled up at the time of the end.</p>	<p><i>“And God said, Let the waters swarm with swarms having a soul of life; and let the birds fly over the earth, on the face of the expanse of the heavens. And God created the great sea animals, and all that creeps, having a living soul, which swarmed the waters, according to its kind; and every bird with wing according to its kind. And God saw that it was good. And God blessed them, saying, Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the waters in the seas; and let the birds multiply in the earth.” (Genesis 1:20-22)</i></p>

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<p>DAY 6 Theme: Filling the Earth, Finishing the Heavens and the Earth</p>	<p><i>“And I, Daniel, looked. And, behold! Another two stood there, the one on this side, and one on that side of the river's edge. And one said to the man clothed in linen, who was on the waters of the river, Until when is the end of the wonders?”</i> (verses 5 and 6)</p> <p>Note: In this part of the vision, there are two beings planted on the land, which corresponds to the humans and animals that God made and with which He filled the Earth on the Sixth Day of creation (Genesis 1:24-28). That the two were on opposite sides of the river symbolizes Jews and Gentiles settling on opposite sides of the Jordan (Joshua 3-4). Also, the prophet's vision shows that as a river flows through the midst of the Earth, so the Holy Spirit would be in the midst of God's people at the time of the end (see John 7:38-39; Revelation 22:1-5). It is the river that makes the earth fruitful. Finally, how fitting it is that at this penultimate point in the vision, one of the beings inquires concerning “the end of the wonders (see verse 6, above; Genesis 2:1).”</p>	<p><i>“And God said, Let the earth bring forth the soul of life according to its kind: cattle, and creepers, and its beasts of the earth, according to its kind. And it was so. And God made the beasts of the earth according to its kind, and cattle according to its kind, and all creepers of the ground according to its kind. And God saw that it was good. And God said, let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; and let them rule over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the heavens, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over all the creepers creeping on the earth. And God created the man in His own image; in the image of God He created him. He created them male and female. And God blessed them; and God said to them, Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth, and subdue it, and rule over the fish of the seas, and over birds of the heavens, and over all beasts creeping on the earth.”</i> (Genesis 1:24-28)</p> <p><i>“And the heavens and the earth were finished, and all their host.”</i> (Genesis 2:1)</p>
<p>DAY 7 Theme: Declaring Seven Times, Resting</p>	<p><i>“And I heard the man clothed in linen, who was on the waters of the river, when he held up his right and his left hand to the heavens and SWORE (Hebrew, “shawbah [H7650],” meaning “to be complete; to seven oneself, that is, swear [as if by repeating a declaration seven times]) by Him who lives forever, that it shall be for a time, times, and a half. And when they have made an end of scattering the power of the holy people, all these things shall be finished.”</i> (verse 7)</p> <p>Note: The connection of this verse with the Seventh Day in Genesis creation is the Hebrew word for “swore (שבע),” which shares a root (שבע) with the word for “seventh (שבעה).” The word “seventh” appears three times in Genesis 2:2-3.</p>	<p><i>“And on the seventh day God completed His work which He had made. And He rested on the seventh day from all His work which He had made. And God blessed the seventh day and sanctified it, because He rested from all His work on it, which God had created to make.”</i> (Genesis 2:2-3)</p>

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*“And from the time the regular sacrifice shall be turned aside, and the abomination that desolates set up, A THOUSAND, TWO HUNDRED AND NINETY DAYS (complete separation as in Days 1, 2, and 3) shall occur. Blessed is he who waits and comes to THE THOUSAND, THREE HUNDRED AND THIRTY FIVE DAYS (complete filling as in Days 4, 5, and 6). But you go on to the end, for you shall REST (complete Sabbath Rest as in Day 7) and stand for your lot at the end of the days.” (Daniel 12:11-13, **Literal Translation of the Holy Bible**)*

At the Time of The End Was the Creation of the New Heaven and the New Earth!