A GOD AND CREATION

❖ A perfect Creator

— Creation reveals several characteristics of God:
  1. A powerful God: He spoke, and everything was created perfect (Genesis 1:3, 6, 9, 11, 14, 20, 24; Psalm 29).
  2. A committed God: He was not distant, but came close to His creation, spoke to it and touch it (Genesis 1:28-30; 2:7).
  3. A God of order: He didn’t create randomly. Every creative act made a way for the next one, until the perfect culmination (Job 34:13).
  4. A creative God: He didn’t create everything the same color or shape, but “according to its kind.” Every living being is different (Genesis 1:21, 24).
  5. A God of relationships: God established a relationship between humans and the other living beings. He also “walked in the garden” (Genesis 1:28; 3:8).

❖ A perfect world

— God was reviewing His creation during the Creation week, and He confirmed that everything “was good” (Genesis 1:10, 12, 18, 21, 25).
— God was satisfied with His Creation. Everything was beautiful and functional, exquisitely designed, practical, and full of life and color.
— Who was the beneficiary of such a beautiful gift? We are. Even after thousands of years of deterioration, we can still see the wonders of Creation and exclaim: How great is our God!

❖ A perfect steward

— God entrusted Creation to the perfect steward: humanity.
— He appointed them as lords and cares of the animals and nature (Genesis 1:28; 2:15).
— Sin didn’t change this responsibility. We are still responsible for tending and keeping the Creation, including animals and nature.

B BROKEN RELATIONSHIPS

❖ Humanity and Earth

— Unlike the rest of the Creation, Adam and Eve were given moral ability, so they could make their own decisions.
— This ability was given to other beings God had created before, like angels. Lucifer used this freedom to rebel against God, and he decided to extend his rebellion to the newly created world.
— Adam and Eve accepted Satan’s insinuation, thus breaking their relationship with God, with one another, and with animals and nature (Genesis 3:8, 12, 18; 9:2).

❖ Humanity and their neighbors

— God has created all human beings (Job 10:8-12). Everyone is God’s creation and deserves our care and respect.
— Every person has the right to know that God loves them, to know about His sacrifice and the inheritance He has prepared for them.
— God’s asked us to take care of His creatures. We are the keepers of our brothers and sisters.