

## I. Introduction

The Bible is likened to a lot of things. It is likened to apples, to milk, bread, water, and to vegetables. But it is also likened to meat. Today you are going to get some meat! If you are a young Christian, I am going to take a very complicated subject and break it down so anybody can understand it. I was in the sixth grade so long the kids brought me the apple. They thought I was the teacher. If I can get this, you can get this. Everybody here is smarter than I am. You are better and sharper than me. The bottom line is we are going to go down deep today.

We have been coming through the book of Psalms, and we have been in Psalms 19:1-6.

*1 The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament sheweth his handywork  
2 Day unto day uttereth speech, and night unto night sheweth knowledge.*

That is one of the greatest passages in the Bible that begins to open the door to the heavens and everything God is doing in His creation. We know that God created it all. The book of Genesis says, “*In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth.*” Then it just goes on through the Bible. We have laid different sections out of this. Today, I am building upon the other sections.

I am going to make this as easy as I can for you as I have had to do it for me. One of the key verses I gave you was in Romans 1:20,

*For the invisible things of him from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made....*

From that I told you that when God created it all He created it after the pattern of Himself. That is why the heavens **DO** declare the glory of God. That is why the things that I have shown you, the sun, moon, and the stars, are God’s creation that represents and tells a story about Him and His glory.

Today I want to give you some idea of outer space. Outer space is very popular today. We are going to have some fun today. If you pay attention you need to get this in your Bible.

I got my first telescope when I was ten years old. I just turned seventy-five a few weeks ago. I have spent all my life looking through that eye piece. I showed you a couple of weeks ago all the photographs I have taken of galaxies and planets in the solar system. I dedicated my life for about 15-20 years learning how to photograph those things. All that together, plus what the Bible says has really helped me understand this. My job as pastor is to take a book like the Bible that everybody thinks is complicated and show you how easy it is to get it down and understand it. That is what we are going to do today. I wouldn’t try to put it in your Bible right out of the gate. Get it in a notebook. If you want me to sit down with you and show you how I did it, I will be happy to do that.

## ➤ Heaven and a Firmament – An Expanse of Space

Let's talk about some of the things we do know before we start to build on this. We already know that the word heaven is a term that gets mis-used today. We all think of heaven is where God is. That is true. But the word heaven in the Bible is also used as the word firmament. **The word firmament is an expanse of space.** So, when you go through the Bible you will find out that you have three heavens. The first heaven is our atmosphere. It is an expanse of space. It is called a firmament in Genesis 1. The second heaven is outer space. It is called a firmament in Genesis 1 and the third heaven is where God's throne is which is above the first two heavens. In 2 Corinthians 12:2, Paul tells us that he was caught up to the third heaven. So, there are three of them. Psalms 148 shows you very clearly the first one, the second one and the third one. But they are called a firmament. You got to know this because it is important as we go through this. Heaven and a firmament is an expanse of space. We all get the idea it is up there where the angels with harps and all the dead people are. That is where God's throne is. But heaven is an expanse of space which is called a firmament. Outer space is that second heaven or firmament as the Bible talks about it.

I want to lay a few things out before we get into the meat of this. When I talk about the firmament, the second heaven, I am talking about a place that we all understand. The sun, Earth, moon, galaxies, nebulae, and the stars up in heaven; this is what we call outer space. These will be called celestial bodies. 1 Corinthians 15:40 tells us there are terrestrial bodies, the things that we see on Earth, and celestial bodies, the things that we see up in heaven.

*[There are] also **celestial bodies, and bodies terrestrial**: but the glory of the celestial [is] one, and the [glory] of the terrestrial [is] another. 1 Corinthians 15:40*

## ➤ Universe – A System of Stars Which we Call a Galaxy

We use another word wrong, and it is the word universe. It is okay, but I just want you to understand it. You look up into the sky at night and you see all the stars and you think that is God's universe. That is not exactly accurate. That is the second heaven and outer space but what you need to understand is that a universe is a system of stars which we call a galaxy. If you have ever been where you can see the dark night sky you can see the Milky Way. The Milky Way is a big broad white stripe that goes across the sky. It is so bright in some places like a big white streak across the sky. You know what the Milky Way is? It is part of our galaxy system that we are in. They tell us (if you want to believe them) that from the center of our galaxy it is 200 million light years in one direction and 200 million light years in another. I will tell you this. They are big! Probably a lot bigger than we think they are. Yet the second heaven (that is a universe) is filled with millions of them.

I remember when they got the first Hubble telescope up and running. They decided to set the telescope up on a portion of the sky so that from Earth you could hold a head of a pin and cover it. They opened up the aperture of this camera on the telescope and for 24 hours they let it soak up light. The longer you leave a shutter open the more light comes in and the better picture you

get. When they developed that there were over 200 thousand galaxies, universes just like ours. They are all through the second heaven. Evolution teaches us they are from the past. But when you get into the Bible you realize they are not from the past, but for what God has in the future.

I want you to understand that our galaxy, the Milky Way, is a universe and the second heaven is filled with millions and millions of endless universes. Everyone of them are filled with stars. If you have seen a picture of galaxies and when they look smokey or cloudy they are unresolved individual stars that are so packed in there that from a distance they look like clouds, but they are not. They are individual stars just like our sun. I couldn't even give you a number. Every universe is filled with those stars that are filled with planets.

A lot of things over the years have changed with astronomy and technology. Now they find outside our solar system, within our universe, they find what they call exoplanets. Planets they say are much bigger than Earth but are Earth-like. They find them everywhere. Evolutionists will tell you that is because of evolution in the past. No, no! It is because they are for the future of what God is going to do. This is what we want to look at today. This is what we want to talk about.

You also know along with the three heavens which are firmaments, expanse of space, God has three plans in the Bible. We have covered this before. God has a plan for the second heaven. This is where you see these galaxies (I will show you how this is all going to work in just a bit).and He has a plan for all of that. In that big universe, galaxy that we live in, we have the Earth. God's second plan is He has a plan for the Earth. So, God has a plan for the second heaven and the universes that are in it. God has a plan for Earth which is in the universe. Then you and I live on planet Earth, so God has a plan for your life. There is something that He wants you to accomplish. This is why He saved you. He saved you on planet Earth to be part of the eternal plan that has all three of them.

➤ **God's Original Plan was to Fill the Second Heaven & all the Galaxies with Men & Women that Would Love Him & Fellowship with Him**

That original plan in Genesis 1-2 was to fill the second heaven and all the galaxies with all the population of men and women who would love Him and fellowship with God. You find in Isaiah 9:6-7, *"For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace."* Then it says this, *"Of the increase of [his] government* (that He is going to establish when He comes back), *there will be no end."* So, it will go on and on. That is God's eternal plan and you and I are part of that.

I understand that most Christians have no idea what I am talking about. This church is based on the Bible. We are Bible believers. We are not a cult group. What we teach and believe has been taught down through the Bible believing churches all the way back to Antioch. We have a history! This is why we call our church "Old Paths Baptist Church". It is the old paths, like you walk on, because we stay on the old path. **We believe the Bible is the word of God completely, cover to cover, including the cover. We believe the Bible is the final authority of all things for faith and practice for man on planet Earth.** In that Bible, which the Bible says is God's

mind, He has given us His plan. I will be the first one to tell you that I don't understand everything in it. But I got an idea of understanding the fundamental principles and that is all I want to give you today. I want you to understand it too. The rest of it will come when the Lord comes back.

### ➤ God Wants Us to Choose Him

That was God's original plan. What did God do? This is where free-will comes in. God put Adam and Eve down in the garden which is the model. Then he told them to be fruitful, multiply and replenish the Earth. If they would have continued on and gotten the tree of life and would have lived forever. But God stopped it. He allowed Satan to come in and be the alternative. Because God will not force any of you to go to heaven. God will not force any of you to get saved. God loves you more than anything in this world. *"For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son...."* (John 3:16). He died for every one of us. He hung on that cross with your name on His mind and on His lips because that is how bad He wants you to get saved. But He is not going to come down and force you to get saved.

Most of us guys have had girlfriends in our life. You meet this beautiful girl, but she won't give you the time of day. You want to go up and introduce yourself, but you are embarrassed. This is where in the 50's they wrote the song "Love Potion #9". You would give it to the girl, and she would drink it and she would love you. But you really don't want that. Do you really want a relationship with somebody that has to drink love potion #9 every morning to stay in love with you? You want somebody to choose to love you. As ugly as you are, to take you and love you anyhow. Why did I say you were ugly? Because when God first saw us, we were really ugly. We were buried in the death of trespasses of sin. We stood against everything that God was, and yet God loved us. But He won't force us to go to heaven and spend an eternity with Him. So, he gave Adam and Eve a choice. After that all down through history, every one of you, if you are saved, were faced with that choice and you chose to make Him your savior. That is the way it works. This is all Isaiah 9:6-7 which will be coming in the future.

### ➤ Four Dimensions – 3 Physical 1 Spiritual

Take your Bible and turn to Ephesians 3:17-19

*17. That Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith; that ye, being rooted and grounded in love, 18. May be able to comprehend with all saints what [is] the breadth, and length, and depth, and height; 19. And to know the love of Christ, which passeth knowledge, that ye might be filled with all the fulness of God.*

In verse 17 and 18 it tells us four things that if you are a Christian you should know about God and comprehend about God. The breadth, length, depth, and height, all of those things. You pick up today's commentary on Ephesians 3 and they will tell you that the breadth, length, depth and height are all connected to the love of God. It amazes me that a guy can have thirty years of education and can't read sixth grade English. That is not what it says. You see after the last one (height) there is a semicolon. Then the next verse says **"And to know the love of Christ..."** That is something different. If you have been saved for 10-15 years you ought to understand what

these four things are. In our world there are **three physical dimensions**. Then there is a **fourth dimension** which is the **spiritual dimension** and God fills all four of those. What he is saying here and in Ephesians 1:23, which is talking about Christ, “*Which is his body, the fulness of him that filleth all in all.*”

Those four concepts, three physical, the things He created, and one spiritual, the things that you can't see, but understand by the things that He made, are the four dimensions of God. Incredible stuff! Again in 1 Corinthians 15:28 it talks about Christ being all in all.

*And when all things shall be subdued unto him, then shall the Son also himself be subject unto him that put all things under him, **that God may be all in all.***

In Colossians 3:10-11 he says it again.

*And have put on the new [man], which is renewed in knowledge after the image of him that created him:  
Where there is neither Greek nor Jew, circumcision nor uncircumcision, Barbarian, Scythian, bond [nor] free: **but Christ [is] all, and in all.***

These four dimensions will be the physical side of creation and then the spiritual side of the things we can't see. All that God created the Bible says He is all in all. He fills the expanse of that second heaven.

### ➤ A Pattern for these Four Dimensions will be a Pyramid

You have four dimensions which are fit out into the second heaven. If you want a pattern for that it will be a pyramid. A pyramid is the only object that has four sides. Our firmament, the second heaven, will have four sides to it and looks like a pyramid. God has used the form of a pyramid all down through the Bible. When He put Adam and Eve in the garden, do you know where that garden was? It was the land grant that was given to Abraham, that garden in the shape of a triangle and pyramid. In that pyramid that land grant was a garden eastward in Eden. Eden's original shape was that way.

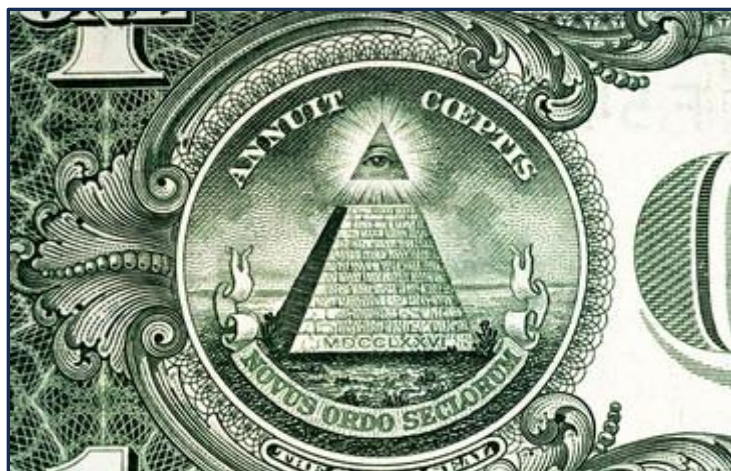
When Noah went into the ark during the flood he was there for forty days and forty nights. When he finally comes to rest, he lands on Mount Ararat. That is in Turkey. When Noah and his boys come out of that ark, they come right down through that land grant. Mount Ararat was the top of that pyramid of the land grant. That is all through the Bible. God gave Abraham the land grant that the Jews have to this day. That is what they are fighting for in the Middle East. That same shape pyramid.

In the millennium when God establishes that land back to Israel it is in the shape of a pyramid. This is why you will find throughout this Earth all the pagan religions use pyramids in their fake worship. They all wanted to have some association of what God was really doing even though they were fake. You will find them in Egypt, Mexico, Central America, China, everywhere. You will find them in Cambodia, Italy and in America. You will find them everywhere.



➤ A Pyramid is Used in Our Own Currency

Have you ever looked at a dollar bill? On the dollar bill on the reverse side, you have a pyramid.



That pyramid has a capstone, but the capstone is off the pyramid. In that capstone you have a big eye.



On the top and bottom it says, "IN GOD WE TRUST". There was a time when this nation trusted in God.

When our founding fathers started to make our own currency and get rid of England's. They wanted the recognition that God was powerful in this country. Somebody understood enough of what I am giving you that they put a pyramid on that and separated the capstone with an eye. Why is that? Because Psalms 11:4 says that His eye is everywhere!

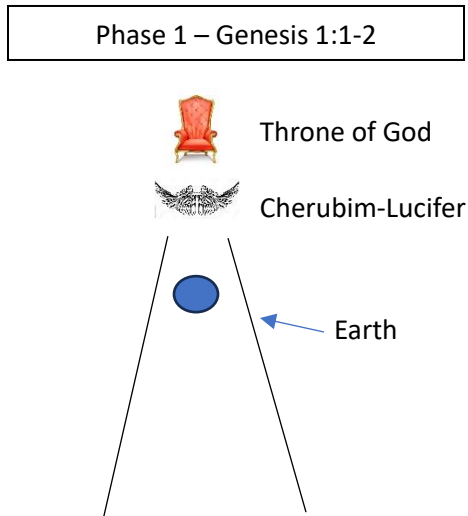
*The LORD [is] in his holy temple, the LORD'S throne [is] in heaven: his eyes behold, his eyelids try, the children of men.*

You know what that eye represents on your dollar bill? It represents the providence of God looking at all mankind. There are two Latin terms written above and below that pyramid. The one over it means Gods favor, understanding and providence. Over an all-seeing eye over a pyramid. Which is a picture of the second heaven. It says below the pyramid, the beginning of the new age. It's all Bible. On your dollar bill! Somebody knew what a pyramid represented. God's people today are as dumb as a stump when it comes to things like that. So, the heavens do declare the glory of God and so does your money.

I am going to lay all this out in four easy phases. We are going to go down deep today. I am going to bring it through four simple phases, four stages found in the Bible of the second heaven, the firmament.

## II. Phase One – Genesis 1:1-2 Original Shape of the Universe

Phase one will be the original shape of the universe. This will be back in Genesis 1:1-2. This will be our first one.



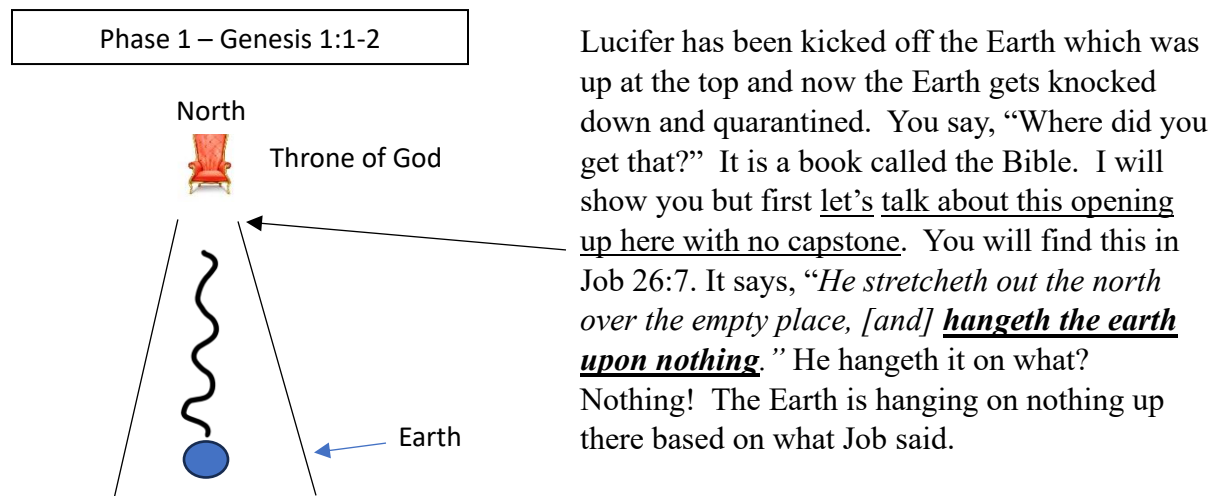
I think I am going to put a bottom across this just for sake of this. But there isn't any bottom to this. It just keeps going. This is the original shape. I don't have time today, but if not this Thursday, next Thursday I am going to show you one of the most amazing things in the Bible that shows you Christ all in all by the clothes He wore when He came to this Earth. There are four sides to this pyramid. I can't draw the four sides. Those four sides represent the four dimensions and God fills all in all of that. This is the shape of the second heaven as we speak (four sides to it). That is why down through history the pagan religions all copy-catted that shape.

Take your Bible and turn over to Jeremiah 10. I hesitate to do this because I don't want you to go home and ruin your holidays. Back in the original plan of Genesis 1 you had God's throne up at the top, the Earth was up towards the top and the Bible tells us that over it all was a created being, a cherubim called Lucifer. So, in Genesis 1 before it all goes to pieces, that is what you have. You have the second heaven; Earth is at the top. God's throne is above that. But Lucifer is over it all (Ezekiel 28, Isaiah 14). He is the covering cherub. He covered everything in God's creation. When it all falls apart then the pagan nations begin to pick up and counterfeit this. In Jeremiah 10 this is God speaking to the nation of Israel.

*1. Hear ye the word which the LORD speaketh unto you, O house of Israel: 2. Thus saith the LORD, Learn not the way of the heathen, **(this is what the heathen are doing)** and be not dismayed at the signs of heaven; for the heathen are dismayed at them. **(We have got something here, signs in the heavens that is going to be connected with what they are about to do.)** 3. For the customs of the people [are] vain: for [one] cutteth a tree out of the forest, the work of the hands of the workman, with the axe. 4. They deck it with silver and with gold; they fasten it with nails and with hammers, that it move not. 5. They [are] upright as the palm tree, but speak not: they must needs be borne, because they cannot go. Be not afraid of them; for they cannot do evil, neither also [is it] in them to do good.*

Do you know what you have here? This is where your Christmas tree starts. Right here. That is what you got here. You go into the woods with an axe. You cut down a tree. But you know what kind of tree you cut down? It is not a maple or an oak. It is a pine tree. It is a pine tree called an evergreen, and it is shaped just like a triangle. They deck it with silver and gold. They put balls on it. You know what? Those round colored balls are like the tree of life that has twelve manner of fruits. It is a fake tree of life. I am not telling you to go home and burn your Christmas tree. Please continue to celebrate Christmas. So, they cut a tree out that is in the

shape of a pyramid. Evergreen, everlasting, evergreen, eternal life, fir tree. They deck it and put balls on it. Then what do we do? We put a winged angel at the top of it. There it is! Now I know they tell you that you put an angel on top, but all those angels have wings. In the Bible, angels don't have wings. There is only one creature that has wings, the fifth cherub, Lucifer. The heathen cut that tree out. They did all that stuff, and they worshipped Baal and the sun god. The idea was that you cut the tree, you put it up at night. Everybody went to bed and in the morning the tree that was dead now came back to life. Somebody decorated it all night long. There he is at the top just like he was back before Genesis 1:2 Back then the Earth was at the top and Lucifer was over all that and God's throne was at the top. But we also know from Ezekiel 28 and Isaiah 14 that Satan leads a revolt. He is not satisfied with God and that position. He wants to be God, and the Bible says by his pride he is lifted up and he tries to overthrow God. The Bible says one third of the angels go with him to overthrow God. This was a galactic battle up there, Genesis 1:1 *"In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth"* and then verse two says, 2. *"And the earth was without form, and void; and darkness [was] upon the face of the deep....."* Between those two verses is where the revolt takes place.



Job is the most scientific book in the Bible. I know everybody thinks it is Genesis. Genesis gives the recording of the creation, but Job is written long before Genesis is, and it is the most scientific book in the Bible. I can show you a spectroscope. I can show you light always moving out of the book of Job. Incredible book. So, he stretches out the north. That is another thing. Heaven is north. If you went out to look at the north star and you kept on going north, sooner or later you would get to the third heaven. It would take you a while, but heaven is north. Turn over to Psalms 48:1-2

*1. Great [is] the LORD, and greatly to be praised in the city of our God, [in] the mountain of his holiness. 2. Beautiful for situation, the joy of the whole earth, [is] mount Zion, **[on] the sides of the north, the city of the great King.***



You see this shape here (Phase 1)? It's got sides. It is north, but it does not have a top and the Earth is hanging on nothing. Once the fall takes place, Genesis 1:1-2 the Earth gets knocked out of its' place and now it is quarantined.

Look at Isaiah 13:13, he says,

*Therefore I will shake the heavens, and the earth shall remove out of her place, in the wrath of the LORD of hosts, and in the day of his fierce anger.*

Job 9:6-7 says, "*Which shaketh the earth out of her place, and the pillars thereof tremble, 7. Which commandeth the sun, and it riseth not; and sealeth up the stars.*"

This is Genesis 1:2, darkness was upon the face of the deep. So, what happens is that the Earth which was up at the top is now down at the bottom quarantined. Then the Bible tells us in Isaiah 66:1 just to add a little weight to it.

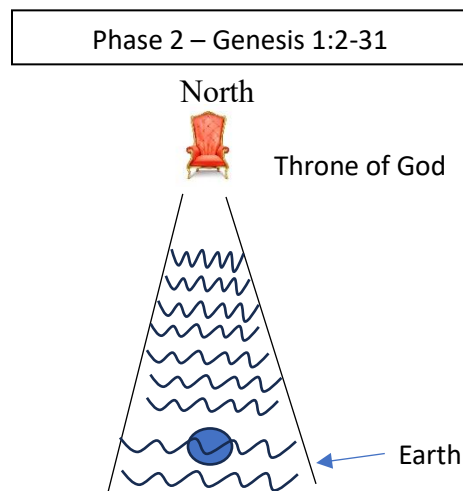
*Thus saith the LORD, The heaven [is] my throne, and the earth [is] my footstool (that is at the bottom) where [is] the house that ye build unto me? and where [is] the place of my rest?*

Remember God's three things filling all in all? He is all in all, right? He is sitting on the throne, but Earth is his footstool. He fills all in all. As 1 Corinthians 15:27 says, "*For he hath put all things under his feet....*" So, the Earth is now at the bottom and all things are unto him.

So, this is Phase One that runs from Genesis 1:1 to Genesis 1:2. See how easy that is? You want to get that in your Bible. That was the original plan in Genesis 1:1-2. The Earth is down at the bottom, Lucifer is gone. He is now Satan and the devil.

### III. Phase Two – Genesis 1:2-31 After the Fall of Satan

Phase two will take place for us after the fall of Satan. This will be Genesis 1:2-31.



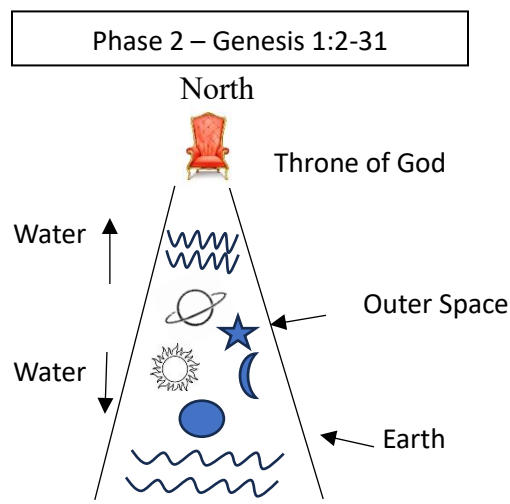
We are told that the Earth is down at the bottom. We are told that the second heaven, that expanse of space is now completely filled and drowned out with water. Water all the way through it. This is called "the deep". When he says "*And the earth was without form, and void; and darkness [was] upon the face of the deep.*" That is all that water in the second heaven. It even covers the Earth. The Earth now is submerged.

The whole second heaven is submerged in water. You will find this in 2 Peter 3:5 where the Earth is standing in the water and out of the water. It is all drowned out.

*For this they willingly are ignorant of, that by the word of God the heavens were of old, and the earth standing out of the water and in the water: 2Peter 3:5*

This is why in Noah's time he did it with a flood. The flood is a picture of the big flood back in Genesis 1. The Bible always connects itself together. Unsaved people, the governments of this world, and the educated don't understand how they are locked into the bible. There is water up there so when we send a man up in a spaceship we call him an astronaut. Astro – outer space. Naut is a nautical term for water. When the Russians send somebody up, they call him a cosmonaut. Cosmo – outer space, naut – water.

When God sends somebody up to space, Enoch. He is a "was not." Enoch walked with God and what? Was not. He was not. If I got my choice between an astronaut and a cosmonaut. I am going to be a "was not".



Here is what happens next. The second heaven is filled with water and the Bible says that God made a firmament in the midst of the waters and he divides the waters from the waters. So, he divides it. He pushes the water up and he pushes the water down. You know what is here now? We have outer space. After he divides the waters from the water then he creates the stars, the sun and the moon. The Earth is still submerged in water.

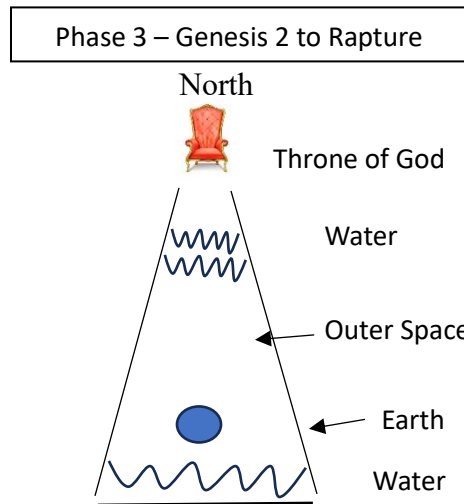
As you come on down through Genesis 1 you are going to find where he divides the water on the Earth. So, he divides the water two ways. He divides the waters of the firmament (2<sup>nd</sup> heaven) and then he divides the waters on the Earth. The Bible says the dry land appears. That is what you have. So, you now have the stars, the galaxies, the planets, everything. Phase two is after the fall, the second heaven is drowned out with water, the Earth too. Then he separates that water and you have the second heaven or outer space. There is water at the top and water at the bottom. This is where Psalms 148 will help us. It says,

*1 Praise ye the LORD. Praise ye the LORD from the heavens: praise him in the heights.  
2 Praise ye him, all his angels: praise ye him, all his hosts.  
3 Praise ye him, sun and moon: praise him, all ye stars of light.  
4 Praise him, ye heavens of heavens, and ye waters that [be] above the heavens.*

There they are! Nothing like a Bible to figure it all out. See how easy that is when we break it down into phases?

## IV. Phase Three – Genesis 2 to the Rapture of the Church

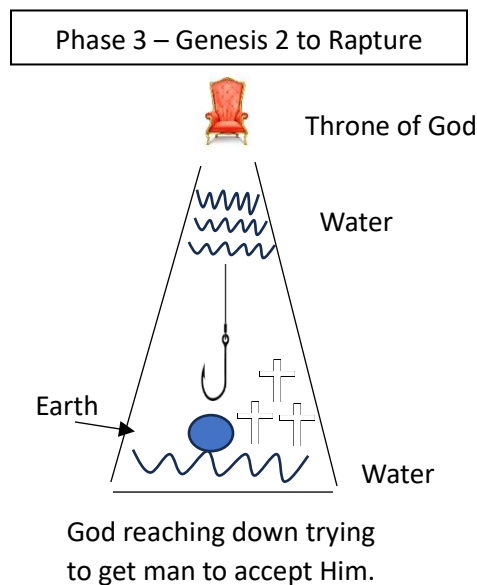
Phase three will be Genesis 2 to the rapture of the church.



Now God starts his redemption for fallen man. This picks up in Genesis 3. Isaiah 55 says that God's ways are not our ways. His thoughts are not our thoughts. Let me show you a great example of that. As human beings we all have stuff in our house. Don't we? In most cases, when it breaks, we throw it away. You know the difference between God and us? When something in God's house breaks, he never throws it away. God fixes it.

Everyone of us was broken. You know what God did? Praise the Lord. God didn't throw us away. God fixed us. You are sitting here this morning, you are a broken, fixed thing! Praise the Lord. So, he starts his redemption of man, and it runs for the next 6,000 years or so where God reaches down and tries to get man to accept Him.

I want to stop and show you something really amazing about God's salvation for saving man. I have told you this before. There is nothing in the Bible that is there by accident. Everything in that Bible is there for a reason. God put it there to show us something.



Did you ever wonder why when the Lord came down and started his plan to redeem Israel, why the first four apostles that He called were commercial fishermen? The first four were fisherman. We look at that and don't think much about it. But he told them "I'm going to make you fishers of men." Most guys just read that and don't think much about it. I read something like that, and I know God has something there He wants me to see. Why did God pick four guys out of the gate that were fisherman. Then He tells us that we need to be fishers of men? Because God is a fisher of men. He drops a line down through that water with a hook on it.

You say where did you get that? Psalms 19. His line goeth through the whole Earth. When you go fishing, they don't call it a rope, it is a line. So, he drops that thing down there and he puts

some bait on it. The bait is going to be Christ's death on the cross. When he catches one of us, the Bible says spiritually he pulls us out of that water. Now we are seated in heavenly places.

You say, "Are you telling me that God comes down there and drops a hook and uses the crucifixion for bait?" Well not exactly. He dropped a line on a hook. What did he bait the hook with? Look at Psalms 22:6, it says,

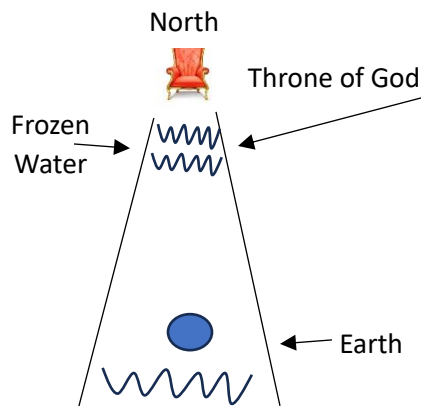
*But I [am] a worm, and no man; a reproach of men, and despised of the people.*

On the cross He became a worm on that hook. When you get a fish and you are going to keep it, you catch it and you clean it. When God caught you, the next thing he did, he cleaned you.

Look at Job 38:30, the top of the deep.

*The waters are hid as [with] a stone, and the face of the deep is frozen.* Job 38:30

Phase 3 – Genesis 2 to Rapture



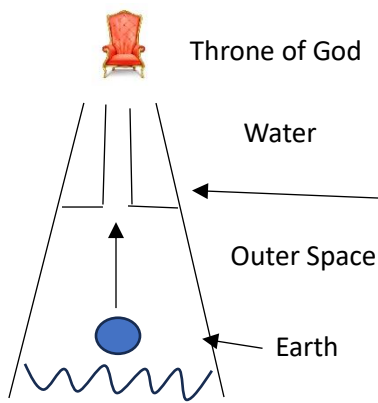
When you get out in space and up to the third heaven where God is at it is absolute zero. So, the water up there at the top of that is frozen. John in the book of Revelation called it a sea of glass (Revelation 4:6). You see God is a fisherman. He drops a line down with a hook on it with a worm on it to be fishers of men.

Heaven is north. Psalms 75:6, Psalms 48, and Psalms 148. So, the best kind of fishing is up north.

You go to Minnesota, or up into Canada. You go out there in the middle of the winter and you cut a hole in the ice, and you drop your line through. God's an ice fisherman. You know why he did that? You guys that like to fish, you will never fish again without thinking about being a fisher of men. That is the invisible things of Him from the creation are clearly seen, being understood by the things that He made.

You want to have some more fun? Ever think about the rapture of the church. I know we all do. But do you ever think about when the rapture takes place we have to go up through that water? There is a lot of water we are going to run through. It is not called "the deep" because it is shallow. I told you everything in the Bible is there for a reason. There is a pattern to it. The pattern for this will be Exodus 14 where the nation of Israel is being chased by Satan. Getting out of the world, going to the promised land and they had to go through the Red Sea. You ever wonder why it is called the Red Sea? It isn't red. Because Christ fills all in all. I am telling you right now He fills all in all and the blood of Jesus Christ was God's blood, Acts 20, he fills the expanse. That water up there is the real Red Sea.

### Phase 3 – Genesis 2 to Rapture



In a coming thunderstorm John 12:28-29, the world will hear a clack of thunder, but every believer will hear the phrase, “Come up hither”, Revelation 4:1. You know what He is going to do? He is going to split that Red Sea and you are going to go right up through it. You get that out of Exodus by the patterns and uses. Everything in that Bible means something!

Luke 17:31 says when He comes back it will be daytime. In the same chapter it says there will be people on the Earth where it will be nighttime, because the Earth is a circle.

*In that day, he which shall be upon the housetop, and his stuff in the house, let him not come down to take it away: and he that is in the field, let him likewise not return back. Luke 17:31*

*I tell you, in that night there shall be two [men] in one bed; the one shall be taken, and the other shall be left. Luke 17:34*

It doesn't matter what hemisphere you are in, or what time frame you are in. If it is daytime here and on the other side of the world it is nighttime, you are going up.

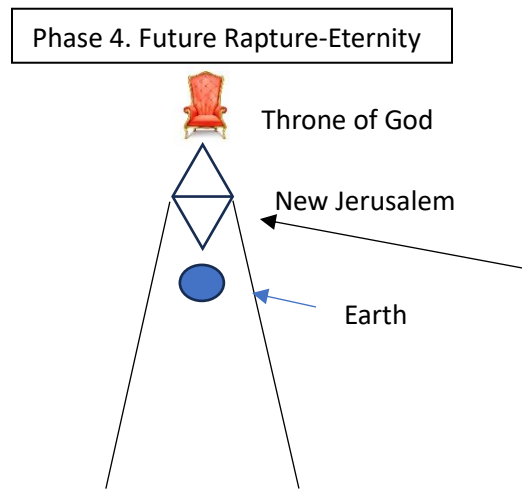
There is a part of this that scares me. Not really. I just don't know how far to take that type. In Exodus 14, He split that Red Sea and they went across on dry ground. When the last guys finally got over, they looked back and you know what they saw? They saw Pharaoh coming after them. Pharaoh is a type of the antichrist.

I don't know what to do with this, so I will just give it to you. You figure it out. I don't want to be the last one in the rapture. Because I guarantee you are going to get up there look back and that great red dragon will be on your tail and God is going to do just like he did with Pharaoh, drown them out. I am telling you, put away the iPhone, put away the video games and get in the Book! Get in the Book!

Phase Three will be the second heaven and then it comes to the place where he redeems man and then the rapture of the church. Up we go! This will bring us to Phase Four.

## V. Phase Four – Future (Rapture to Eternity)

Phase four will be in the future. This will be the rapture to eternity. Christ comes back and after the rapture, the second coming and the millennium, eternity now begins. 2 Peter 3:7 tells us that God is going to renovate the heaven, the Earth and the atmosphere with fire. Burn it out, purge it.



When He does that, Revelation 21:1 tells us that there will be no more deep, no more sea. It is gone now. The waters are gone. Earth will be back up at the top. Revelation 21:1-2 tells us there are three new things; a new heaven, a new Earth and a new Jerusalem. If you know anything about the new Jerusalem from Revelation, you know the shape of that is a double pyramid. This is why the top of the second heaven, which is a pyramid, is empty at the top and hangeth the Earth upon nothing. In Revelation 21 the Bible says, new Jerusalem comes down out of heaven and you know what it does? It fills the capstone at the top of the second heaven. The Earth is back up at the top.

I don't know how much you know about the Great Pyramid of Giza. The Great Pyramid of Giza is one of the seven wonders of the ancient world. It is the only one that is still left. The study of pyramids is called pyramidology. Over in Egypt you have the great pyramid and then you have two smaller ones. The two smaller ones were actually somebody's tomb. The pyramidologist also believed that the great pyramid was somebody's tomb. There are some guys that believe this. I don't really know one way or the other about this. I am good either way. But there are some guys that teach that great pyramid over there was before the flood. The technology of that pyramid surpasses anything that man can make or construct today. Unbelievable! What most guys don't get when they study pyramidology is that in Isaiah 19:19-20 the Bible tells us that there is an altar of God in Egypt that divides north and south.

*19 In that day shall there be an altar to the LORD in the midst of the land of Egypt, and a pillar at the border thereof to the LORD.*

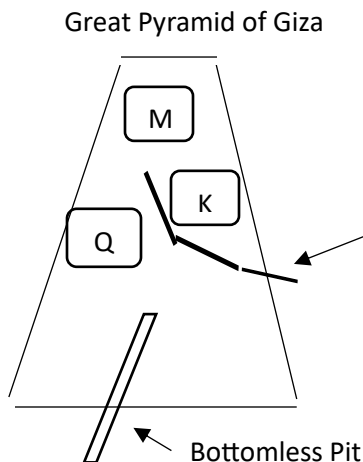
*20 And it shall be for a sign and for a witness unto the LORD of hosts in the land of Egypt: for they shall cry unto the LORD because of the oppressors, and he shall send them a saviour, and a great one, and he shall deliver them. Isaiah 19:10-20*

The great pyramid sits right on the border of the northern and the southern kingdom. In Jeremiah 32:20 it says that God has set signs and wonders in Egypt, even unto this day. That would be your great pyramid most likely.

*Which hast set signs and wonders in the land of Egypt, [even] unto this day..... Jeremiah 32:20*



The great pyramid is unbelievable. They just discovered several months ago underground chambers and everything that was built underneath it. You notice how you have not heard any of that on the news. The greatest discovery of the 21st century. Haven't heard a word. Why is that? Well, the Great Pyramid is God's altar and testimony on this Earth of what God's plan is.



The Great Pyramid never had a capstone. Do you know they have never found the door, the opening, the entrance to that pyramid? You know how they got in? Grave robbers. Grave robbers busted through the side and found a passageway. That pyramid is a picture of God and all in all. God's heaven when that new Jerusalem comes down. But what does the Bible say in John 10? The world will never come into this through the door. Only God's people go through the door. The thief and the robbers have to come in another way. So they did.

You know what is inside that? Well, for one thing, you got a shaft going down into the ground. They call it a bottomless pit. You go up and there are chambers. There is the king's chamber (K), God the Father. There is the Queen's chamber (Q), the nation of Israel. Within that, there is a mystery chamber (M). They have never found it, but they know it exists. They were drilling and at some point, back in the day they heard something in another place fall and hit the floor. They have never been able to find it, but they know there is a mystery chamber. Mystery chamber! Oh, that will be the church.

That pyramid is set up on two stars. The North Star and Alpha Draconis. Alpha Draconis is the lead star in Satan's constellation. Draco the Dragon, the two opposing forces. Whoever made that great pyramid knew what the Bible was all about. Matthew 7:24 tells us about two men. One was wise and one was foolish. One built his house on the rock. One built his house on the sand. The Great Pyramid is built on solid rock. The measurements of each of the four sides are equal to one solar year. The angle of the slope is 10 to 9 for every 10ft it rises 9 inches. You put them all together, you have the exact distance to the sun from planet Earth. We say it is 93 million miles. In actuality, it is a little shorter than that. It is 91,840 miles. It is placed exactly on the center of all land mass on planet Earth. Whoever built that pyramid knew what they were doing.

If you want to read up on that and study it, the definitive work is by a guy named E. Raymond Capt (The Great Pyramid Decoded). He will take you places in that book that you won't believe or understand. It is an incredible thing. God had that pyramid built to be the altar and the testament on this Earth of what you got right here in Phase 4.. Incredible. In the king's chamber there is what they call in Egyptology a sarcophagus. A sarcophagus is where they put the coffin. There never was a coffin put in this sarcophagus because it was never intended to be a tomb. But the exact dimension of the sarcophagus is the exact dimensions of the ark of the covenant. So,

the great pyramid is a model, except no capstone. When the Lord comes back, new Jerusalem becomes that capstone. The Earth now is back up at the top. Isaiah 9:6-7 goes into effect. Everything has been done in 6,000 years of man's history. We now have the final act of God's original plan.

Free will. Man chooses to be part of all of this or not. Israel is now restored as God's wife. The church is now complete and is now Christ's bride. The devil is defeated and in the lake of fire. Revelation 20:10. The heavens and the Earth are renovated by fire. In God's mind, everything is ready to go. He picks up where he stopped back in the garden. As the Bible says, he stretcheth out the north over the empty place and he hangeth the Earth upon nothing. Revelation 21:1-2 New Jerusalem comes down on the sides of the north. Our second heaven, a pyramid with four sides and we go into eternity.

I don't know how this thing is going to play out. You have four sides of this. You got twelve tribes and your twelve signs of the Zodiac. You have four sides so maybe three tribes move out on each side. I don't know. I just know that is the plan. This is the basic understanding of what God's plan is. The Bible is a complete circle. It starts in the Garden of Eden, and it ends in the Garden of Eden. Jesus said in Revelation 21:6, I am the Alpha and the Omega. That is the beginning and the end, and He fills everything in between.

*And he said unto me, It is done. I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end. I will give unto him that is athirst of the fountain of the water of life freely. Revelation 21:6*

Isaiah 46:10 one of the greatest keys in the Bible says I will show you the end from the beginning.

*Declaring the end from the beginning, and from ancient times [the things] that are not [yet] done, saying, My counsel shall stand, and I will do all my pleasure: Isaiah 46:10*

God's plan started in a garden, His original plan. He allowed that plan to be shut down so he could give us 6,000 years or so of us making a choice. Then in His mind, in His timing, when it is all done and complete, He come down and pulls out His church, us. He puts the nation of Israel back in the land. It says in Ezekiel 36:35-36

*35. And they shall say, This land that was desolate **(the land destroyed at the 2<sup>nd</sup> coming)** is become like the garden of Eden; and the waste and desolate and ruined cities [are become] fenced, [and] are inhabited.*

*36. Then the heathen that are left round about you shall know that I the LORD build the ruined [places, and] plant that that was desolate: I the LORD have spoken [it], and I will do [it].*

It is so simple. Man makes it so complicated. I mean the first thing they do is take the paragraph marks out of every other Bible in Genesis 1, other than the King James Bible. Paragraph marks are the key. It will divide every one of these phases out for you. But the end result, the final phase, once God is finished, new Jerusalem is the capstone. Earth is back at the top. Now we see through God's original plan, the reason why he has everything out there is now fulfilled.

If God's people really understood what God has done and is doing and is going to do, there would be nothing in this world that would take the place of that. We are all looking for the rapture. We all hate the world we are living in. It is terrible and it is only going to get worse. We thank God that He has protected your kids and they are with you and love the Lord. But you know that this world is not going to get any better. We are headed for a disaster.

We were driving today, and I was listening to one of my favorite songs called "Whispering Hope". One place in that song brings tears to my eyes every time I hear it. It is simply a song that the hope whispering through all of the trials and troubles of life. It says they are waiting for the darkness to be over. That is me! I will do the job. I will preach it and help you any way I can. We will win as many people to Christ as we can. We will help stabilize families, marriages, whatever we can. But I am waiting for the darkness to be over, and it is coming.

Soft as the voice of an angel  
Breathing a lesson unheard  
Hope with a gentle persuasion  
Whispers a comforting word

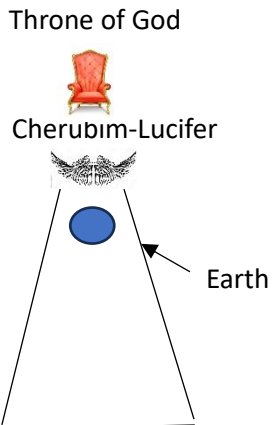
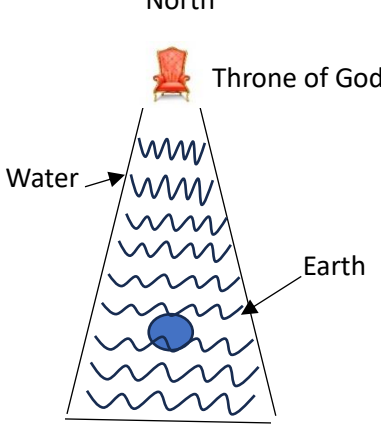
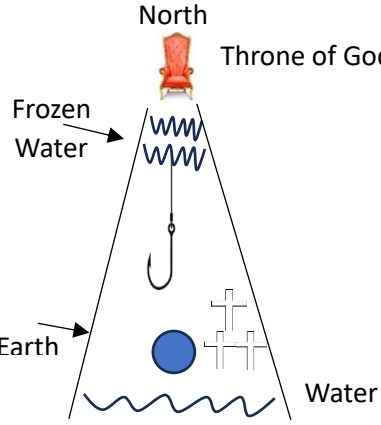
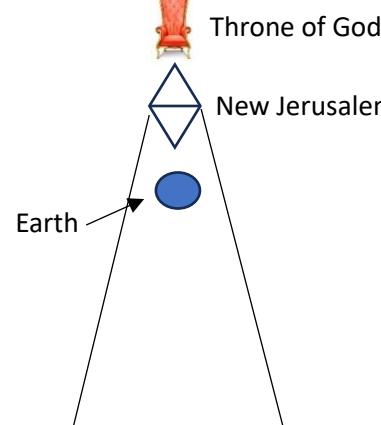
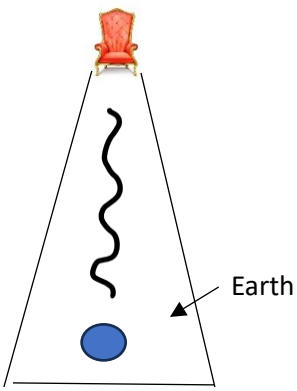
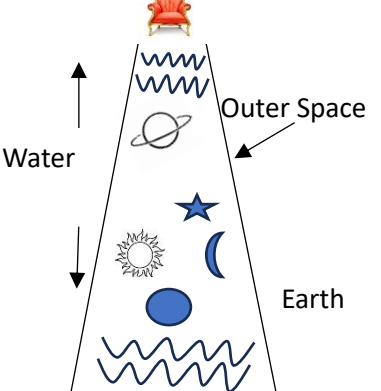
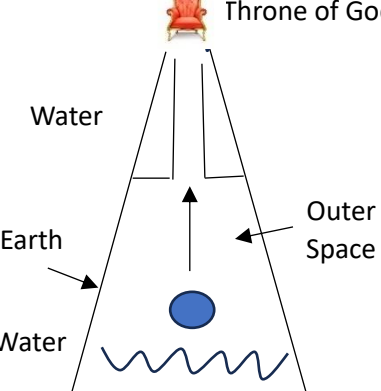
Wait, till the darkness is over  
Wait, till the tempest is done  
Hope, for the sunshine tomorrow  
After the darkness is gone

If in the dusk of the twilight  
Dimmed be the region afar  
Will not the deepening darkness  
Brighten the glittering star?

Then, when the night is upon us  
Why should the heart sink away?  
When the dark midnight is over  
Watch for the breaking of day

Whispering hope (whispering hope, whispering hope)  
Oh how welcome Thy voice (oh how welcome Thy voice)  
Making my heart (making my heart, making my heart)  
In its sorrow rejoice

## Four Phases of the Second Heaven

Phase 1 – Genesis 1:1-2	Phase 2 – Genesis 1:2-31	Phase 3 – Genesis 2 to the Rapture	Phase 4 – Future
<p>The original shape of the universe</p> 	<p>After the fall of Satan North</p> 	<p>God starts His Redemption of man</p> 	<p>From Rapture to Eternity</p> 
<p>After the revolt of Satan North</p> 	<p>God separates the waters</p> 	<p>Rapture</p> 	<p>Great Pyramid of Giza</p> 