

Genesis 1:1-5

1 In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth. **2** The earth was without form and void, and darkness was over the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters.

3 And God said, "Let there be light", and there was light. **4** And God saw that the light was good. And God separated the light from the darkness. **5** God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

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IN THE BEGINNING (2) Genesis 1:1-5

- the unknown God

God is there

- not just in our minds

God is personal

- not a force

God is unique

- one God
- idols ¹

God is the source of everything

- your abilities ²
- your wealth ³
- your salvation ⁴

God creates by his word

- confident praying ⁵
- confident sharing the gospel ⁶

God orders by his word

- chaos to cosmos ⁷

Reflection & discussion questions:

- *Anything you want to talk about from what you've heard? Which of the six truths do you find most challenging personally?*

¹ Jeremiah 10:10,12,15; Romans 1:18-25; Tim Keller 'Counterfeit gods'; John Piper, 'Money, sex and power' (online as a pdf)

² 1 Corinthians 4:7

³ 1 Chronicles 29:14

⁴ Revelation 7:10

⁵ Psalm 33:6

⁶ 2 Corinthians 4:6

⁷ Mark 5:1-20