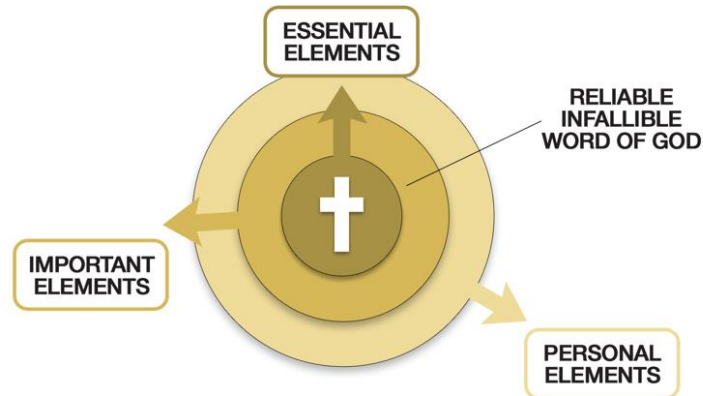


Creation

Genesis 1: 1 In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.

Genesis 1:2-5 - Now the earth was formless and empty, darkness was over the surface of the deep, and the Spirit of God was hovering over the waters...And there was evening, and there was morning—the first day.

7 Days – How Do We Understand Them?



1. **Literal 24 Hr. Days** - the literal view.
2. **The Day = Age** – the word “*yom*” can mean day or age and creation is viewed from the vantage point of “hovering over the water.”
3. **Framework Days** - The week is simply a metaphor/symbol for an ordered creation and a 7 day week (not historical).

Genesis 1:27 - So God created mankind in his own image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them.

The Image of God – unique value unlike all other created life.

Men and Women – God created us equally but distinctively male and female.

Genesis 1:31 - God saw all that he had made, and it was very good.

This created world is good (but after Genesis 3 temporarily corrupted).