

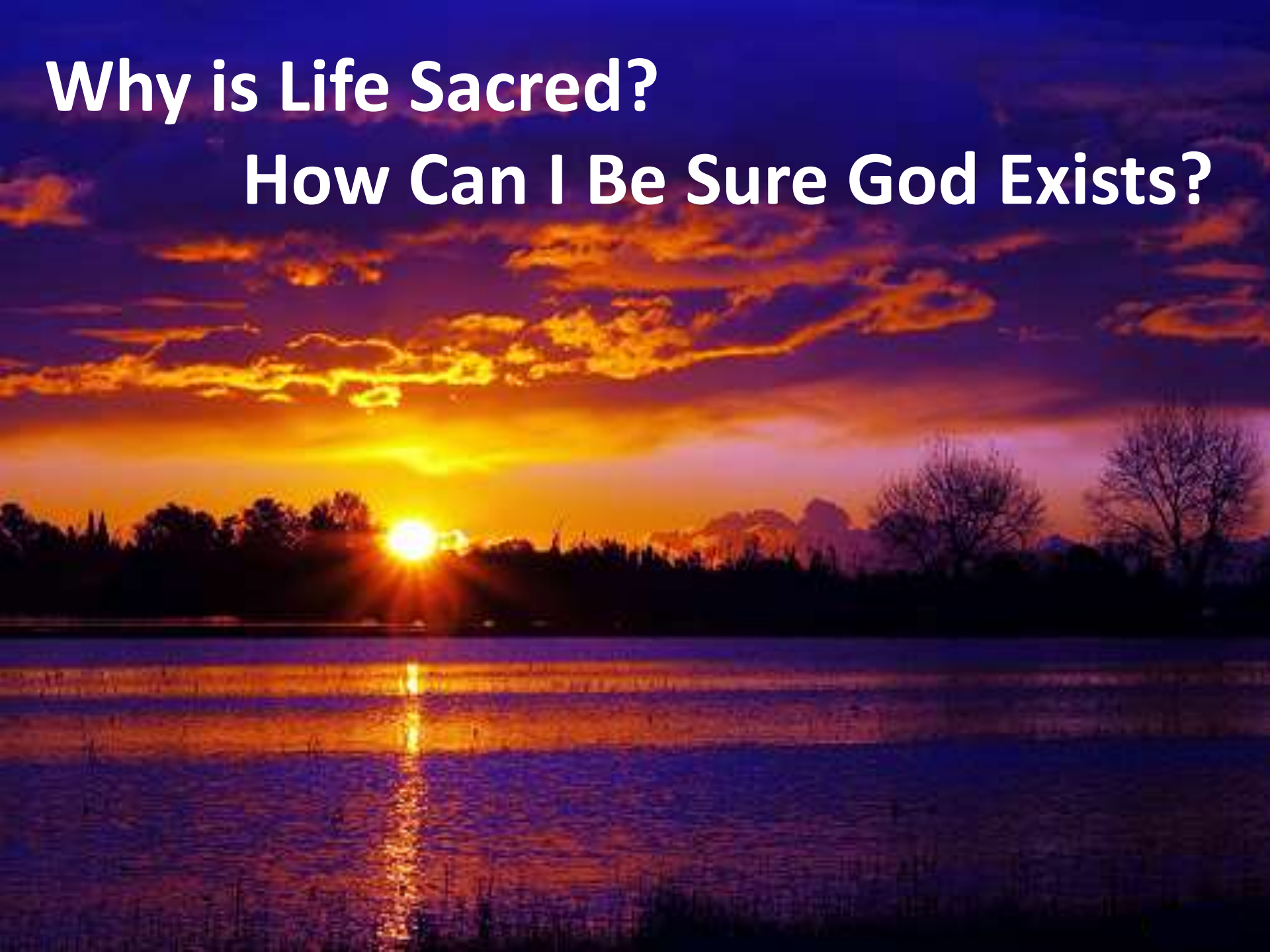


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Psalm 8:1-8

Why is Life Sacred?

How Can I Be Sure God Exists?



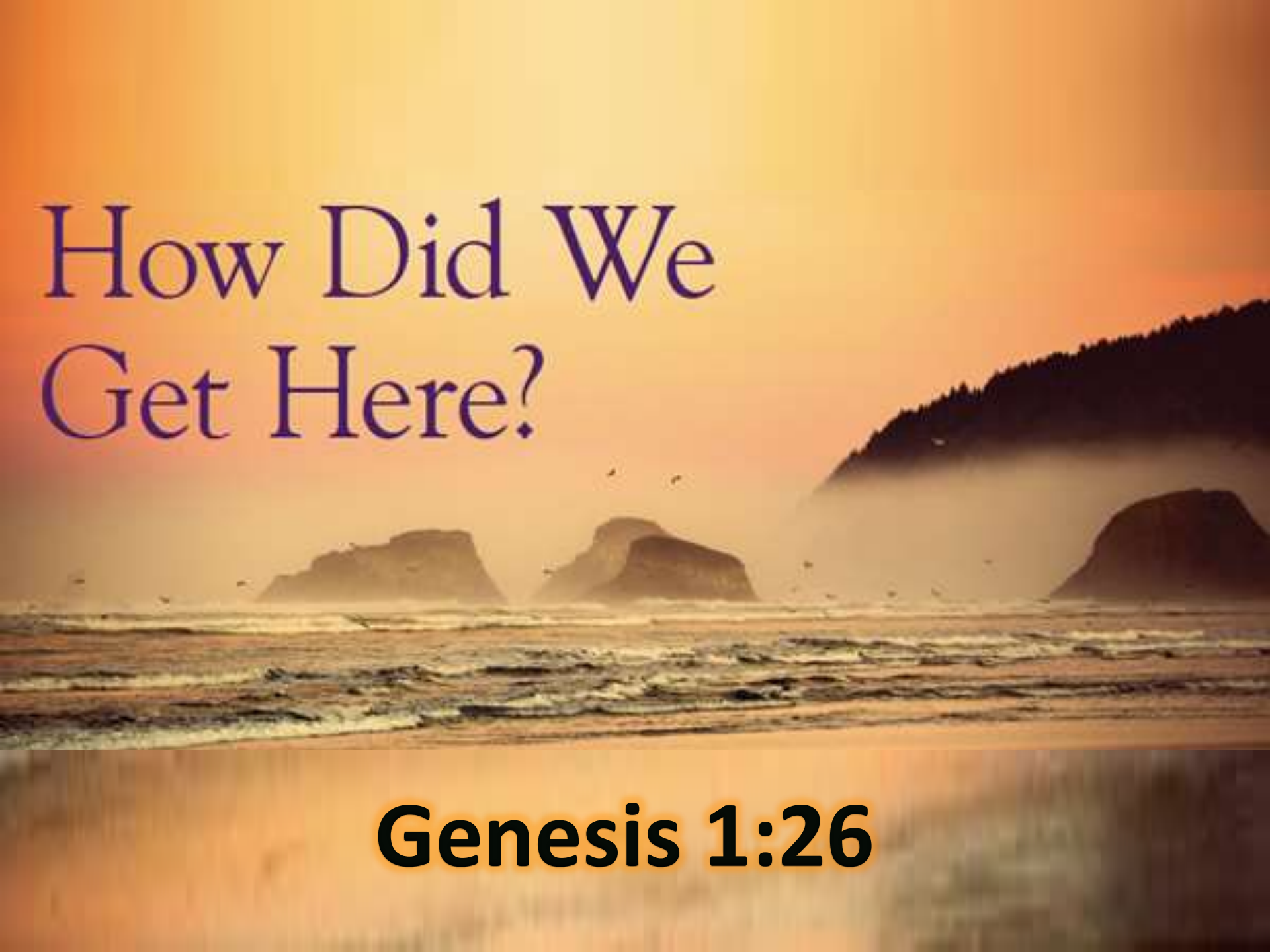
**What About Those Who Have Never
Heard About Jesus?**

Why Should I Trust the Bible?



How Did We Get Here and Why?





How Did We
Get Here?

Genesis 1:26

**Then God said, "Let Us make man in Our image,
according to Our likeness; let them have dominion
over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air,
and over the cattle, over all the earth and over
every creeping thing that creeps on the earth."**

Genesis 1:26

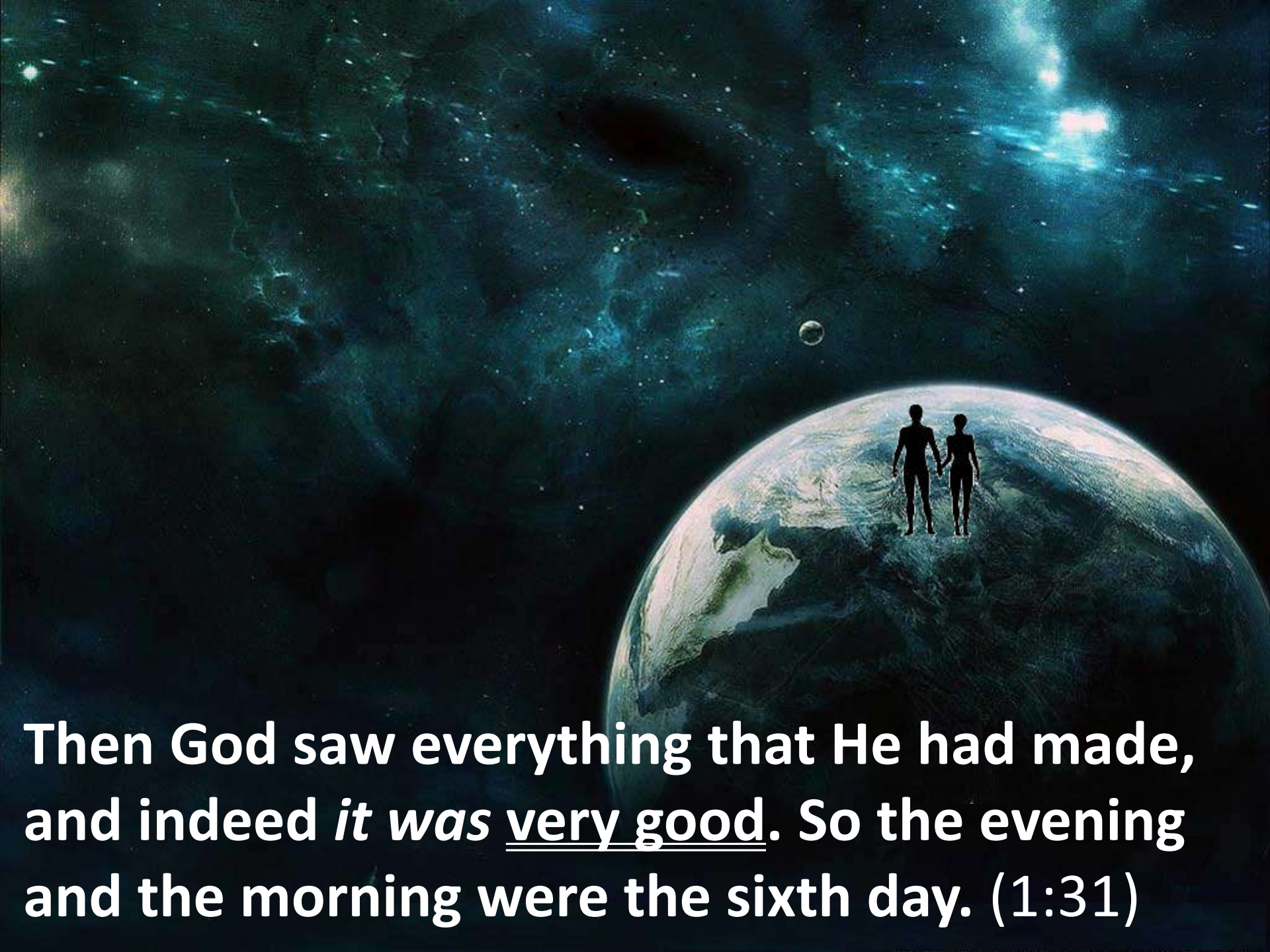
Hebrew for “good” is tōb

Hebrew for “formless” is tōhû

Hebrew for “void” is bōhû







Then God saw everything that He had made,
and indeed *it was very good*. So the evening
and the morning were the sixth day. (1:31)

¹ In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. ² The earth was without form, and void; and darkness *was* on the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters. ³ **Then God said,** "Let there be light"; and there was light. ⁴ And God saw the light, that *it was* good; and God divided the light from the darkness. ⁵ God called the light Day, and the darkness He called Night. So the evening and the morning were the first day.



Genesis 1

⁶ **Then God said,** "Let there be a firmament in the midst of the waters, and let it divide the waters from the waters." ⁷ Thus God made the firmament, and divided the waters which *were* under the firmament from the waters which *were* above the firmament; and it was so. ⁸ And God called the firmament Heaven. So the evening and the morning were the second day. ⁹ **Then God said,** "Let the waters under the heavens be gathered together into one place, and let the dry *land* appear"; and it was so.

Genesis 1

¹⁰ And God called the dry *land* Earth, and the gathering together of the waters He called Seas. And God saw that *it was* good. ¹¹ **Then God said**, "Let the earth bring forth grass, the herb *that* yields seed, *and* the fruit tree *that* yields fruit according to its kind, whose seed *is* in itself, on the earth"; and it was so. ¹² And the earth brought forth grass, the herb *that* yields seed according to its kind, and the tree *that* yields fruit, whose seed *is* in itself according to its kind. And God saw that *it was* good.

Genesis 1

¹³ So the evening and the morning were the third day. ¹⁴ **Then God said,** "Let there be lights in the firmament of the heavens to divide the day from the night; and let them be for signs and seasons, and for days and years; ¹⁵ and let them be for lights in the firmament of the heavens to give light on the earth"; and it was so. ¹⁶ Then God made two great lights: the greater light to rule the day, and the lesser light to rule the night. *He made* the stars also.



Genesis 1

¹⁷ God set them in the firmament of the heavens to give light on the earth, ¹⁸ and to rule over the day and over the night, and to divide the light from the darkness. And God saw that *it was* good. ¹⁹ So the evening and the morning were the fourth day.

²⁰ **Then God said,** "Let the waters abound with an abundance of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the face of the firmament of the heavens."²¹ So God created great sea creatures and every living thing that moves, with which the waters



Genesis 1

abounded, according to their kind, and every winged bird according to its kind. And God saw that *it was* good. ²² **And God blessed them, saying,** "Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth." ²³ So the evening and the morning were the fifth day. ²⁴ **Then God said,** "Let the earth bring forth the living creature according to its kind: cattle and creeping thing and beast of the earth, *each* according to its kind"; and it was so.

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²⁵ And God made the beast of the earth according to its kind, cattle according to its kind, and everything that creeps on the earth according to its kind. And God saw that *it was* good. ²⁶ **Then God said,** "Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth."

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²⁷ So God created man in His *own* image; in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them. ²⁸ **Then God blessed them, and God said** to them, "Be fruitful and multiply; fill the earth and subdue it; have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over every living thing that moves on the earth." ²⁹ **And God said,** "See, I have given you every herb *that* yields seed which *is* on the face of all the earth, and every tree whose fruit yields seed; to you it shall be for food.



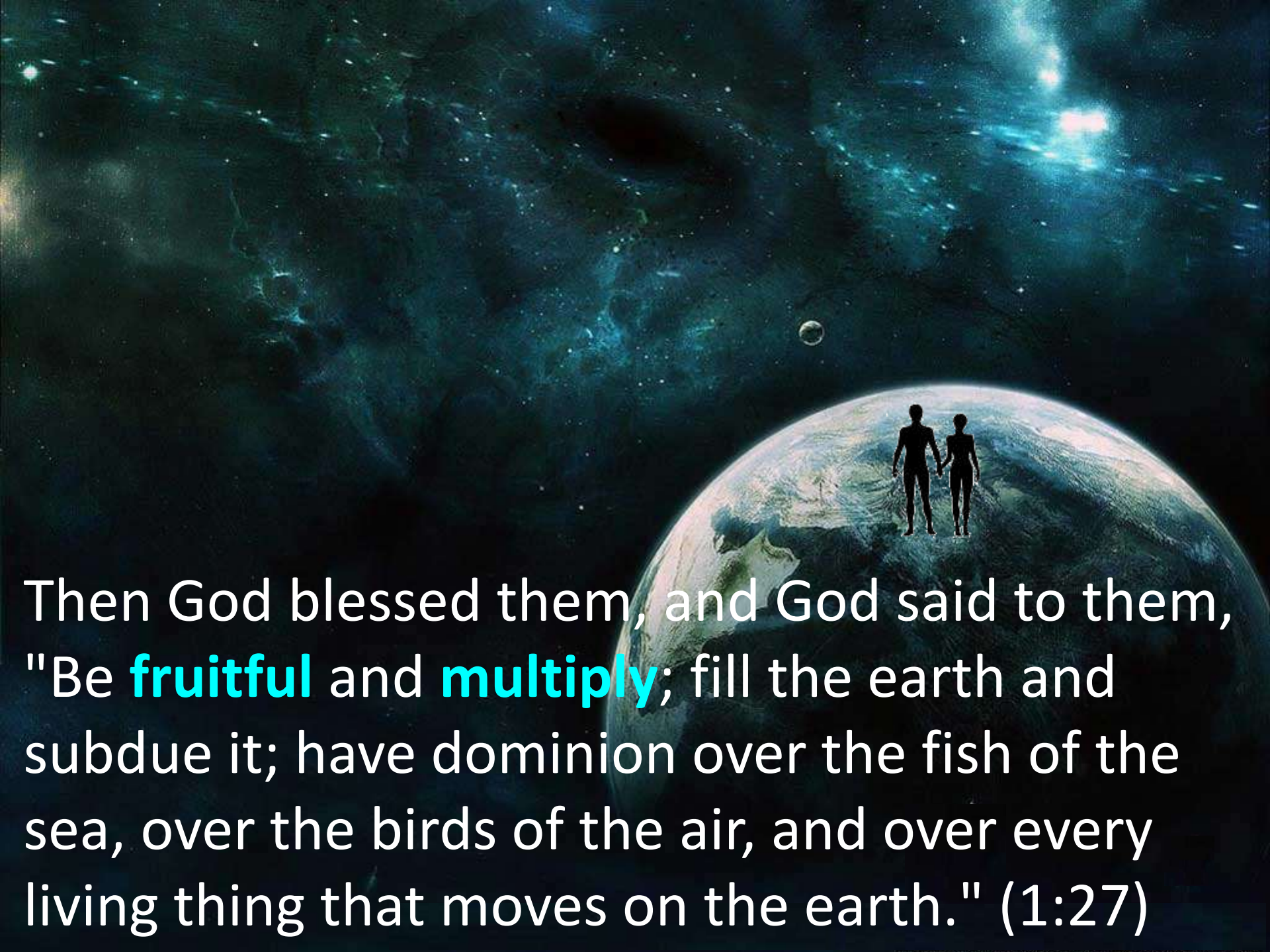
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**Why am
I here?**





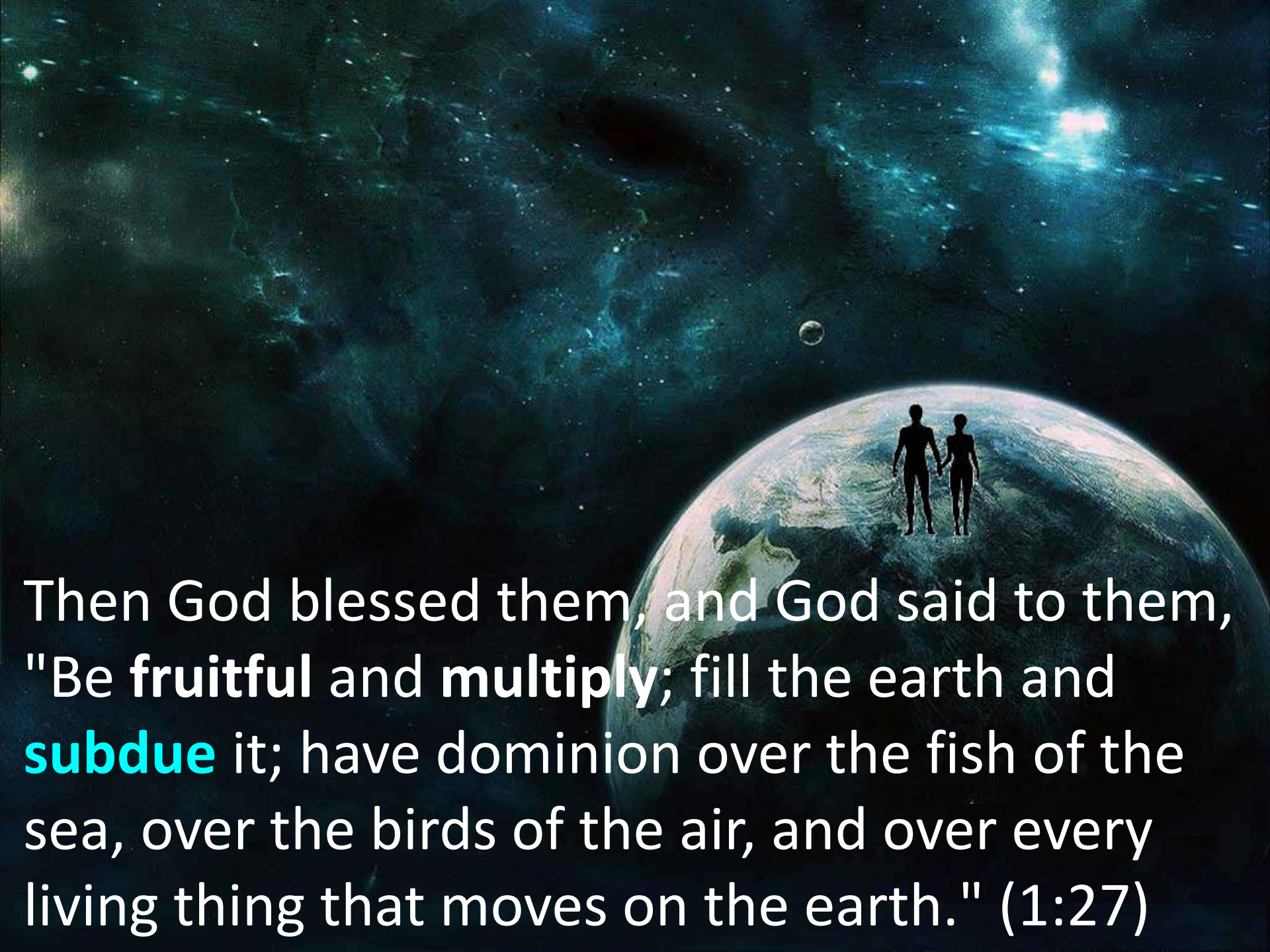
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**"I CAME THAT
THEY MAY HAVE
LIFE AND HAVE IT**

ABUNDANTLY"

- JESUS

Jesus



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**You have made him to have dominion over the works
of Your hands; You have put all *things* under his feet,**



Psalm 8:6

1 Corinthians 15:27 (NKJV)

²⁷ For "*He has put all things under His feet.*" But when He says "all things are put under *Him*," *it is* evident that He who put all things under Him is excepted.



control

Ephesians 1:21-23 (NKJV)

²¹ far above all principality and power and might and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this age but also in that which is to come. ²² And **He put all *things* under His feet**, and gave Him *to be* head over all *things* to the church, ²³ which is His body, the fullness of Him who fills all in all.




⁵ Now therefore, if you will indeed obey My voice and keep My covenant, then you shall be a special treasure to Me above all people; for all the earth *is* Mine. ⁶ And you shall be to Me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation.' These *are* the words which you shall speak to the children of Israel."

Exodus 19:5-6

7 You will be accepted if you do what is right. But if you refuse to do what is right, then watch out! Sin is crouching at the door, eager to **control you. But you must **subdue** it and be its **master**.”**

Genesis 4:7 NLT



*“If My people who are called by My name will
humble themselves, and pray and seek My face,
and turn from their wicked ways, then I will
hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin
and heal their land.”*

2 Chronicles 7:14



Most assuredly

I say to you, he who believes
in Me, the works that I do he will
do also; and greater works than
these he will do, because

I go to My Father

JOHN 14.12 NKJV

Luke 19:17

And He promised those who were faithful and obedient that they would one day rule again. One day God will say, '*Well done*, good servant; because you were faithful in a very little, have authority over ten cities.'



“a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that we should show forth the praises of Him who has called us out of darkness into his marvelous light. Once we had no identity as a people, now we are God’s people. Once we received no mercy, now we have received God’s mercy”




1 Peter 2:8-9

1 CORINTHIANS 6:3

Know ye not that
we shall **judge**
angels? how much
more things that
pertain to this life





¹⁶ The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God: ¹⁷ And if children, then **heirs**; **heirs** of God, and **joint-heirs** with Christ; if so be that we suffer with *him*, that we may be also **glorified** together.

Romans 8:16-17

**“The glory that you have given me
have I given to them”**



John 17:22



AND WE, WHO WITH
UNVEILED FACES ALL
REFLECT THE LORD'S
GLORY, ARE BEING
TRANSFORMED INTO HIS
LIKENESS WITH EVER-
INCREASING GLORY,
WHICH COMES FROM
THE LORD, WHO IS THE
SPIRIT.

2 Corinthians 3:18

To whom be all glory forever and ever. Amen.

Galatians 1:5

...you made Adam and Eve a little lower than yourself and **crowned** them with glory and honor. ⁶ You gave them charge of everything you made, putting all things under their authority— ⁷ the flocks and the herds and all the wild animals, ⁸ the birds in the sky, the fish in the sea, and everything that swims the ocean currents. ⁹ O LORD, our Lord, your majestic name fills the earth!



Psalm 8:5-9



ROMANS 8:29 NIV

For those God foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the likeness of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brothers.



*God's
Masterpiece*

Ephesians 2:8-10

**"What *is* man, that You should exalt him,
That You should set Your heart on him,
18 *That* You should visit him every morning,
And test him every moment?"**

Job 7:17-18





Created to Reflect the Lord's Glory