

Interesting Facts About Genesis

MEANING: A Greek word meaning “origin,” “source,” “generation,” or “beginning.”

AUTHOR: Moses

TIME WRITTEN: 1450-1410 B. C.

POSITION IN THE BIBLE:

- 1st Book in the Bible
- 1st Book in the Old Testament
- 1st Book in the Pentateuch (Genesis - Deuteronomy)
- 65 Books to follow it.



CHAPTERS: 50

VERSES: 1,533

WORDS: 38,267

OBSERVATIONS ABOUT GENESIS:

- The events of Genesis end some three centuries before Moses' birth.
- Genesis spans more time than any other book in the Bible. Genesis covers more time than the remaining sixty-five put together.
- 4,100 years of recorded Bible history.
 - Over one-half of it (2,286 years) is recorded in Genesis.
 - The remaining 1,814 years are covered in Exodus through Revelation (65 books).
 - 2,000 of the 2,286 years are covered in Genesis 1-11.
- Genesis divides itself into three geographical settings.
 - The Fertile Crescent - Chapters 1-11 spans more than 2,000 years and 1,500 miles.
 - Israel - Chapters 12-36 covers less than 193 years in the small country of Canaan.
 - Egypt - Chapters 37-50 covers about 93 years.
- **WHY** God chose Israel is explained in chapters 1-11.

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- **HOW** God chose Israel is explained in chapters 12-50.
- Contains the Abraham covenant given in 12:1-2 and ratified in 15:1-21.
- Contains three specific promises:
 - The promise of a great LAND - “From the river of Egypt to the great River Euphrates.” (15:8)
 - The promise of a great NATION - “And I will make your descendents as the dust of the earth.” (13:6)
 - The promise of a great BLESSING - “I will bless you and make your name great: and you shall be a blessing.” (12:1)
- Genesis relates the beginning of almost everything, including:

• Universe	• Marriage	• Redemption
• Life	• Sin	• Prophecy
• Mankind	• Death	• Language
• Sabbath	• Family	• Sacrifice
- Genesis covers:

• The creation	• The call of Abraham
• The fall of man	• Promises of the Messiah
• Spread of civilization	• Joseph in Egypt
• The flood	
- Genesis contains Messianic predictions:
 - Genesis 3:15 — Christ is the Seed of the woman.
 - Genesis 4:25 — From the line of Seth. (From Adam)
 - Genesis 9:27 — From the line of Shem. (From Noah)
 - Genesis 12:3 — The descendant of Abraham
 - Genesis 21:12 — The descendant of Isaac
 - Genesis 25:23 — The descendant of Jacob.
 - Genesis 49:10 — From the tribe of Judah.