

# Community Bible Church

## The Book of Genesis

### Chapter 2

*“Thus the heavens and the earth were completed, and all their hosts.”*

**Genesis 2:1**

**Genesis chapter 2** provides additional information on the creation account, particularly on **Day 6**. In this chapter, the author, Moses, also adds details regarding **Day 7** of creation. The origin and roles of both Adam and Eve are also highlighted in **chapter 2**. Using the themes of beginnings, creation, and first things, **chapter 2** can be outlined as follows:

<b>The First Sabbath</b>	<b>2:1-3</b>
<b>The First Man</b>	<b>2:4-7</b>
<b>The First Garden</b>	<b>2:8-17</b>
<b>The First Companions</b>	<b>2:18-20</b>
<b>The First Woman</b>	<b>2:21-23</b>
<b>The First Marriage</b>	<b>2:24-25</b>

1. Read **2:1-3** and describe the aspects of the “*seventh day*” mentioned by the author. (Note that the Hebrew word “*Shabbat*” means “to rest” or “cease work,” but the use of the “Sabbath” as a special day is not given to Israel as a regulation until many centuries later in **Exodus 16**. The Sabbath day was also subsequently burdened with legalism.)
2. How would you describe the role of the Sabbath in the Christian church today? See **Hebrews 4:1-11**.
3. The creation of man and woman is described in **Genesis 1:26-27**. What additional information is given in **2:7** regarding this creation of man on the sixth day?
4. The creation and use of a beautiful “garden” is featured in **chapter 2**. From **2:8-17**, give a brief summary of what is written about this garden.

5. God also created “*winged birds*” on **Day 5 (1:21)** and “*living creatures*” (**1:24-25**) on **Day 6**. Read **2:18-20** and explain what additional information is given regarding the creation of land animals and fowl of the air.
  
6. What next occurs in **2:21-22** as an apparent solution to the dilemma of **2:20**?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
7. **Genesis chapter 2** concludes with a wonderful and well-known passage on marriage. Jesus Himself quotes **2:24** in **Matthew 19:5** (also quoted in **Mark 10:7**). What important biblical principles are expressed in **2:24**? How is this passage relevant for today?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
8. As noted previously, **Genesis chapter 2** is a chapter of “newness” and highlights six new events seen for the very first time at the beginning of creation. Many of these form the basis of our understanding of creation and the world today. What are these six “new things”? What verse, or verses, were of most interest to you in **chapter 2**?