

- +The first 11 chapters of Genesis establish God’s purpose and plan for His creation.
- + We are going to build a profile of who God is and add to it each week.

Seeing God in the Beginning – Genesis 1:1

1. God is self-existent and eternal - “In the beginning”

Defined: God has always existed and needs nothing to exist. He was not created nor is He part of creation.

- Exodus 3:14, John 8:58 – “I AM” – a reference to always existing.



2. God is Sovereign and Omnipotent – “God Created”

Defined:

Sovereign – In His self-existence and creation of all things, God demonstrates His absolute authority.

Omnipotent – all-powerful, “create” = to bring into existence out of nothing

- John 1:3

- Colossians 1:16–17

3. God is intentional and relational – “God created the heavens and the earth”

God did not have to create anything. He is self-existent. He chose to create a universe so vast and detailed and then made mankind with the intent to fellowship with them.

- Genesis 1-2 – A description of creation and the making of people.

- Genesis 3:8-9 – God came to the garden to spend time with Adam and Eve.

What does this mean for us?

- God is all powerful, in complete control of all things.

- Even though God is the creator of time and all creation, He is intentional in His choice to have a relationship with us.

- **Description of God:** Fully self-existent, all-powerful, desires a relationship with us

- How can this understanding of God help us this week?