

### God is the beginning and the end, first and last, the Alpha and Omega ...

- (Isaiah 46:8-10 ESV) Remember this and stand firm, recall it to mind, you transgressors, remember the former things of old; for I am God, and there is no other; I am God, and there is none like me, **declaring the end from the beginning** and from ancient times things not yet done, saying, “My counsel shall stand, and I will accomplish all my purpose.”
- (Isaiah 48:12-13 ESV) Listen to me, O Jacob, and Israel, whom I called! I am he; I am the first, and I am the last. **My hand laid the foundation of the earth**, and my right hand spread out the heavens; when I call to them, they stand forth together.
- (Revelation 21:1 ESV) Then I saw a **new heaven and a new earth**, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more.
- (Revelation 21:6 ESV) And he said to me, “It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, **the beginning and the end**. To the thirsty I will give from the spring of the water of life without payment.”
- (Revelation 22:12-13 ESV) Behold, I am coming soon, bringing my recompense with me, to repay each one for what he has done. I am the Alpha and the Omega, **the first and the last, the beginning and the end**.

### The One who created the heavens—he is God ...

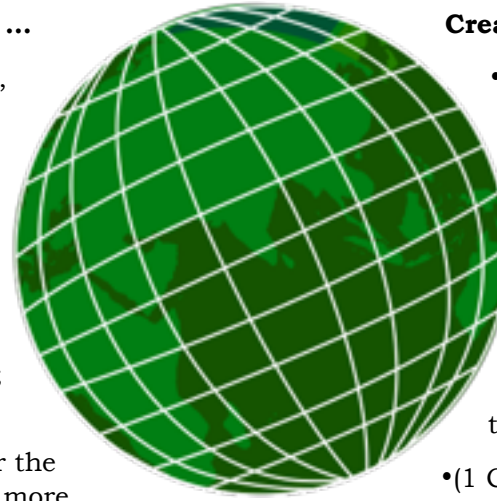
- (Isaiah 45:18 ESV) For thus says **the LORD, who created the heavens (he is God!)**, who **formed the earth** and made it (he established it; he did not create it empty, he formed it to be inhabited!): “I am the LORD, and there is no other.”

### Created by his word and the breath of his mouth ...

- (Psalm 33:4-9 ESV) For the word of the LORD is upright, and all his work is done in faithfulness. He loves righteousness and justice; the earth is full of the steadfast love of the LORD. **By the word** of the LORD the heavens were made, and **by the breath of his mouth** all their host. He gathers the waters of the sea as a heap; he puts the deeps in storehouses. Let all the earth fear the LORD; let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe of him! For **he spoke, and it came to be**; he commanded, and it stood firm.

### We understand creation by believing God ...

- (Hebrews 11:3 ESV) **By faith we understand that the universe was created by the word of God**, so that what is seen was not made out of things that are visible.



### Created this world through the Son ...

- (Hebrews 1:1-2 ESV) Long ago, at many times and in many ways, God spoke to our fathers by the prophets, but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed the heir of all things, through whom also he created the world.
  - (John 1:1-3 ESV) In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things were made through him, and without him was not any thing made that was made.
  - (John 17:5 ESV) And now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had with you before the world existed.
  - (1 Corinthians 8:6 ESV) Yet for us there is one God, the Father, from whom are all things and for whom we exist, and one Lord, Jesus Christ, through whom are all things and through whom we exist.
- (Colossians 1:15-17 ESV) He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through him and for him. And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together.
- (1 John 1:1 ESV) That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we looked upon and have touched with our hands, concerning the word of life.

### God set the earth on its foundations ...

- (Psalm 104:5-9 ESV) He set the earth on its foundations, so that it should never be moved. You covered it with the deep as with a garment; the waters stood above the mountains. At your rebuke they fled; at the sound of your thunder they took to flight. The mountains rose, the valleys sank down to the place that you appointed for them. You set a boundary that they may not pass, so that they might not again cover the earth.

### God commanded creation into being ...

- (Psalm 148:3-6 ESV) Praise him, sun and moon, praise him, all you shining stars. Praise him, you highest heavens, and you waters above the heavens! Let them praise the name of the LORD! For he commanded and they were created. And he established them forever and ever; he gave a decree, and it shall not pass away.