In the creation narrative of Bere'shiyth (Genesis) 1, it seems the possibilities are endless. When we read in both Yahudah (Jude) and Chanoch (Enoch) that the angels left their first estate, one wonders where their first estate might have been. Is it possible it too was on the earth? Was there a civilization which preceded the recreation of the heavens and the earth? Was the earth brought to ruin by an unknown cataclysm before Noach's flood? Was man created to "replenish" the earth?

On the Dig, we will discuss these things and the idea that something may have preceded the narrative we find at the outset of Genesis, and will take a look at scripture to support this notion. Join Stephen Pidgeon with guests John Barr and Chelle Wagner to discuss this even further.







18 U.S. Code § 241 - Conspiracy against rights

If two or more persons conspire to injure, oppress, threaten, or intimidate any person in any State, Territory, Commonwealth, Possession, or District in the free exercise or enjoyment of any right or privilege secured to him by the Constitution or laws of the United States, or because of his having so exercised the same; or

If two or more persons go in disguise on the highway, or on the premises of another, with intent to prevent or hinder his free exercise or enjoyment of any right or privilege so secured—

They shall be fined under this title or imprisoned not more than ten years, or both; and if death results from the acts committed in violation of this section or if such acts include kidnapping or an attempt to kidnap, aggravated sexual abuse or an attempt to commit aggravated sexual abuse, or an attempt to kill, they shall be fined under this title or imprisoned for any term of years or for life, or both, or may be sentenced to death.

(June 25, 1948, ch. 645, 62 Stat. 696; Pub. L. 90–284, title I, § 103(a), Apr. 11, 1968, 82 Stat. 75; Pub. L. 100–690, title VII, § 7018(a), (b)(1), Nov. 18, 1988, 102 Stat. 4396; Pub. L. 103–322, title VI, § 60006(a), title XXXII, §§ 320103(a), 320201(a), title XXXIII, § 330016(1)(L), Sept. 13, 1994, 108 Stat. 1970, 2109, 2113, 2147; Pub. L. 104–294, title VI, §§ 604(b)(14)(A), 607(a), Oct. 11, 1996, 110 Stat. 3507, 3511.)

The Foundation of the World

34 All these things spoke Yahusha unto the multitude in parables; and without a parable spoke he not unto them: 35 That it might be fulfilled את which was spoken by the prophet, saying:

I will open my mouth in parables; I will utter things which have been kept secret from the foundation of the world.

Mattithyahu (Matthew) 13:34-35

What are the things which have been kept secret from the foundation of the world?

25 Of old have you laid the foundation of the earth: and the heavens are the work of your hands. 26 They shall perish, but you shall endure: yea, all of them shall wax old like a garment; as a vesture shall you change them, and they shall be changed: 27 But you are the same, and your years shall have no end. 28 The children of your servants shall continue, and their seed shall be established before you.

Tehilliym (Psalm) 102:25-28

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Yâsad (בְּסַד) H3245; A primitive root; to set (literally or figuratively); intensively to found; reflexively to sit down together, that is, settle, consult: to appoint, take counsel, establish, lay a foundation, instruct, lay, ordain, or to set.

Also see **yeçud** (יְּמֶּדּ) H3246 , from H3245; a foundation (i.e., beginning): began.

12 Hearken unto me, O Ya`aqov and Yashar'el, my called; I am he; I am the first, I also am the last. 13 My hand also has laid the foundation of the earth, and my right hand has spanned the heavens: when I call unto them, they stand up together.

Yesha'yahu (Isaiah) 48:12-13

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Zakaryahu (Zechariah) 12:1

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Father, I will that they also, whom you have given me, be with me where I am; that they may behold my glory, which you have given me: for you loved me before the foundation of the world.

Yochanon (John) 17:24

4 According as he has chosen us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before him in love: 5 Having predetermined us unto the adoption of children by Yahusha Ha'Mashiach to himself, according to the good pleasure of his will, 6 To the praise of the glory of his grace, wherein he has made us accepted in the beloved.

Eph'siym (Ephesians) 1:4

For we which have believed do enter into rest, as he said,
As I have sworn in my wrath, if they shall enter into my rest:
although the works were finished from the foundation of the world.

Ivriym (Hebrews) 4:3

26 For then must he often have suffered since the foundation of the world: but now once in the end of the world has he appeared to put away sin by the sacrifice of himself.

Ivriym (Hebrew) 9:26

18 Forasmuch as ye know that ye were not redeemed with corruptible things, as silver and gold, from your vain conversation received by tradition from your fathers; 19 But with the precious blood of Mashiach, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot: 20 Who truly was foreordained before the foundation of the world, but was manifest in these last times for you, 21 Who by him do believe in Elohiym, that raised him up from the dead, and gave him glory; that your faith and hope might be in Elohiym.

Kepha Ri'shon (1 Peter) 1:18-21

4 And they worshipped the dragon which gave power unto the beast: and they worshipped the beast, saying: Who is like unto the beast? Who is able to make war with him? 5 And there was given unto him a mouth speaking great things and blasphemies; and power was given unto him to continue forty and two months. 6 And he opened his mouth in blasphemy against Elohiym, to blaspheme his name, and his Tabernacle, and them that dwell in heaven. 7 And it was given unto him to make war with the qodeshiym, and to overcome them: and power was given him over all kindreds, and tongues, and nations. 8 And all that dwell upon the earth shall worship him, whose names are not written in the cepher of life of the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world. Chazon (Revelation) 13:4-8

7 And the angel said unto me: Wherefore did you marvel? I will tell you the mystery of the woman, and of the beast that carries her, which has the seven heads and ten horns. 8 The beast that you saw was and is not; and shall ascend out of the bottomless pit and go into perdition: and they that dwell on the earth shall wonder, whose names were not written in the cepher of life from the foundation of the world, when they behold the beast that was, and is not, and yet is.

Chazon (Revelation) 17:7-8

Yahuah possessed me in the beginning of his way, before his works of old.

23 I was set up from everlasting, from the beginning, or ever the earth was. 24 When there were no depths, I was brought forth, when there were no fountains abounding with water. 25 Before the mountains were settled, before the hills were, I brought forth: 26 While as yet he had not made the earth, nor the fields, nor the highest part of the dust of the world.

Mishlei (Proverbs) 8:22-26

27 When he prepared the heavens, I was there: when he set a compass upon the face of the depth: 28 When he established the clouds above: when he strengthened the fountains of the deep: 29 When he gave to the sea his decree, that the waters should not pass his commandment: when he appointed the foundations of the earth: 30 Then I was by him, as one brought up with him: and I was daily his delight, rejoicing always before him; 31 Rejoicing in the habitable part of his earth; and my delights were with the sons of men.

Mishlei (Proverbs) 8:27-30