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THE FAMILY BUSINESS

About 40% of U.S. family-owned businesses turn into second-generation businesses, approximately 13% are passed down successfully to a third generation, and 3% to a fourth or beyond.

(Businessweek.com, 2010)

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What is the eternal
FAMILY BUSINESS
of our Heavenly Father?

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What will be your roles and

RESPONSIBILITIES

in running it?

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RULING & REIGNING ON THE NEW EARTH

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SCRIPTURE

- ❖ **GENESIS 1:1-5**
- ❖ **GENESIS 1:9-13**
- ❖ **GENESIS 1:20-23**
- ❖ **GENESIS 1:24-25**
- ❖ **GENESIS 1:26-28**

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You may not realize it, but

GENESIS

helps us answer that question.

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DAY ONE

What did God
create first?

GENESIS 1:1-5

¹In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. ²Now the earth was formless and empty, darkness covered the surface of the watery depths, and the Spirit of God was hovering over the surface of the waters. ³Then God said, "Let there be light," and there was light. ⁴God saw that the light was good, and God separated the light from the darkness. ⁵God called the light "day," and the darkness he called "night." There was an evening, and there was a morning: one day.

What was the condition of the
earth in the beginning?

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According to Genesis, when did the
PRESENT EARTH
 begin to take shape?

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DAY THREE

God formed "earth"
and stocked the land.

GENESIS 1:9-13

⁹Then God said, "Let the water under the sky be gathered into one place, and let the dry land appear." And it was so. ¹⁰God called the dry land "earth," and the gathering of the water he called "seas." And God saw that it was good. ¹¹Then God said, "Let the earth produce vegetation: seed-bearing plants and fruit trees on the earth bearing fruit with seed in it according to their kinds." And it was so. ¹²The earth produced vegetation: seed-bearing plants according to their kinds and trees bearing fruit with seed in it according to their kinds. And God saw that it was good. ¹³Evening came and then morning: the third day.

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What reasons would God have for

STOCKING

the Earth with vegetation?

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DAY FIVE

Who needed the
vegetation?

GENESIS 1:20-23

²⁰Then God said, "Let the water swarm with living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the expanse of the sky." ²¹So God created the large sea-creatures and every living creature that moves and swarms in the water, according to their kinds. He also created every winged creature according to its kind. And God saw that it was good. ²²God blessed them: "Be fruitful, multiply, and fill the waters of the seas, and let the birds multiply on the earth." ²³Evening came and then morning: the fifth day.

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Seems like a lot of food just for

THE BIRDS

-- who else needed food?

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DAY SIX

Who else needed
food to eat?

GENESIS 1:24-25

²⁴Then God said, "Let the earth produce living creatures according to their kinds: livestock, creatures that crawl, and the wildlife of the earth according to their kinds." And it was so. ²⁵So God made the wildlife of the earth according to their kinds, the livestock according to their kinds, and all the creatures that crawl on the ground according to their kinds. And God saw that it was good.

So, God created the earth, stocked it with food, and populated it with living creatures.

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What kind of
FAMILY BUSINESS
does that sound like to you?

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But wait a minute,
WHAT'S MISSING
from the "business model"?

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MANAGEMENT

What was man's original purpose?

GENESIS 1:26-28

²⁶Then God said, "Let us make man in our image, according to our likeness. They will **rule** the fish of the sea, the birds of the sky, the livestock, **the whole earth,** and the creatures that crawl on the earth." ²⁷So God created man in his own image; he created him in the image of God; he created them male and female. ²⁸God blessed them, and God said to them, "Be fruitful, multiply, **fill the earth, and subdue it.** **Rule** the fish of the sea, the birds of the sky, and every creature that crawls on the earth."

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The sovereign ruler of the universe,

DELEGATED

management responsibility to man.

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HEIRS OF THE PROMISE

GALATIANS 3:29

And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's seed, **heirs** according to the promise.

PSALM 37:9

For evildoers will be destroyed, but those who put their hope in the Lord will **inherit** the land.

PSALM 25:13

He will live a good life, and his descendants will **inherit** the land.

ROMANS 8:17

The Spirit himself testifies together with our spirit that we are God's children, and if children, also **heirs**—heirs of God and **co-heirs with Christ**—if indeed we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

**WHAT WILL GOD'S
HEIRS INHERIT?**

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Will our roles and responsibilities

CHANGE

on the New Earth as heirs?

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ROLES & RESPONSIBILITIES

MATTHEW 25:23 (ESV)

His master said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant. You have been faithful over a little; **I will set you over much**. Enter into the joy of your master.'

LUKE 19:17

"'Well done, good servant!' he told him. 'Because you have been faithful in a very small matter, **have authority over ten towns**.'

REVELATION 5:10

You made them a kingdom and priests to our God, and **they will reign** on the earth.

REVELATION 22:5

Night will be no more; people will not need the light of a lamp or the light of the sun, because the Lord God will give them light, and **they will reign** forever and ever.

2 TIMOTHY 2:12

If we endure, **we will also reign** with him; if we deny him, he will also deny us;

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REIGN WHAT?

Will there be territories, governments,
or societies on the New Earth?

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THE KINGDOM

REVELATION 21:24-26

The nations will walk by its light, and **the kings of the earth** will bring their glory into it. Its gates will never close by day because it will never be night there. They will bring the **glory and honor of the nations** into it.

REVELATION 5:9-10

And they sang a new song: You are worthy to take the scroll and to open its seals, because you were slaughtered, and you purchased people for God by your blood from **every tribe and language and people and nation**. You made them a kingdom and priests to our God, and they will reign on the earth.

1 CORINTHIANS 6:2-3

Or don't you know that **the saints will judge the world**? And if the world is judged by you, are you unworthy to judge the trivial cases? Don't you know that **we will judge angels**—how much more matters of this life?

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Have you been
faithful over
little?

*"Well done, good and
faithful servant?"*

- ❖ Christians are born into the family of an incredibly wealthy landowner, the wealthiest of all eternity.
- ❖ There's not a millimeter of cosmic geography that doesn't belong to Him, and by extension to his children, his heirs.
- ❖ Our Father has a family business that stretches across the whole universe, and He entrusts to us the responsibility of managing the family business.
- ❖ We will be managing His assets and ruling His universe for eternity, representing him as his image-bearers, children, and ambassadors.
- ❖ Life on the present earth is a just an internship, you are God's apprentice, and He is training you for eternity.

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RELATIONSHIPS ON THE NEW EARTH

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