

## **Sepher Maaseh Bereshith (Genesis)**

### **Chapter 1**

Shabbat Torah Reading Schedule (1st sidrah/week) Genesis 1 4

**1** In the beginning Elohim (El of all) created the heavens and the earth. **2** And the earth was without form and void, and darkness was over the surface of the deep, and the Spirit of Elohim was moving over the surface of the waters. **3** Then Elohim said, Let there be light; and there was light. **4** And Elohim saw that the light was good; and Elohim separated between the light and the darkness. **5** And Elohim called the light day, and the darkness He called night. And there was evening and there was morning, one day. **6** Then Elohim said, Let there be an expanse in the midst of the waters, and let it separate between the waters and the waters. **7** And Elohim made the expanse, and separated between the waters which were below the expanse and between the waters which were above the expanse; and it was so. **8** And Elohim called the expanse heavens. And there was evening and there was morning, a second day. **9** Then Elohim said, Let the waters below the heavens be gathered into one place, and let the dry land appear; and it was so. **10** And Elohim called the dry land earth, and the gathering of the waters He called seas; and Elohim saw that it was good. **11** Then Elohim said, Let the earth sprout vegetation: plants yielding seed, and fruit trees on the earth bearing fruit after their kind, whichever seed in them; and it was so. **12** And the earth brought forth vegetation, plants yielding seed after their kind, and trees bearing fruit, whichever seed is in them, after their kind; and Elohim saw that it was good. **13** And there was evening and there was morning, a third day. **14** Then Elohim said, Let there be lights in the expanse of the heavens to divide between the day and the night, and let them be for signs and for seasons and for days and years; **15** and let them be for lights in the expanse of the heavens to give light on the earth; and it was so. **16** And Elohim made the two great lights, the greater light to govern the day, and the lesser light to govern the night, and the stars. **17** And Elohim placed them in the expanse of the heavens to give light on the earth, **18** and to govern over the day and over the night, and to separate between the light and the darkness; and Elohim saw that it was good. **19** And there was evening and there was morning, a fourth day. **20** Then Elohim said, Let the waters teem with swarms having a soul of life, and let birds fly above the earth in the open expanse of the heavens. **21** And Elohim created the great sea monsters and all that creeps having a living soul, with which the waters swarmed after their kind, and every winged bird after its kind; and Elohim saw that it was good. **22** And Elohim blessed them, saying, Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the waters in the seas, and let the birds multiply on the earth. **23** And there was evening and there was

morning, a fifth day. **24** Then Elohim said, Let the earth bring forth the soul of life according to their kind: cattle and creeping things and beasts of the earth after their kind; and it was so. **25** And Elohim made the beasts of the earth after their kind, and the cattle after their kind, and every creeping thing on the ground after its kind; and Elohim saw that it was good. **26** Then Elohim said, Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; and let them rule over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over the cattle and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth. **27** And Elohim created man in His own image, in the image of Elohim He created him; male and female He created them. **28** And Elohim blessed them; and Elohim said to them, Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth, and subdue it; and rule over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over every living thing that moves on the earth. **29** Then Elohim said, Behold, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is on the surface of all the earth, and every tree which has fruit yielding seed; it shall be for food for you; **30** and to every beast of the earth and to every bird of the heavens and to every creeping thing on the earth which has living soul, every green herb is for food; and it was so. **31** And Elohim saw all that He had made, and behold, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.