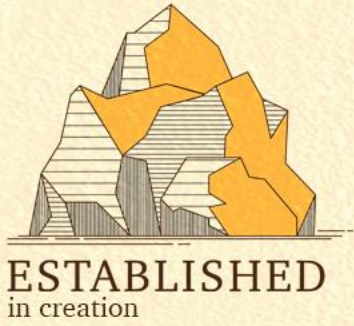


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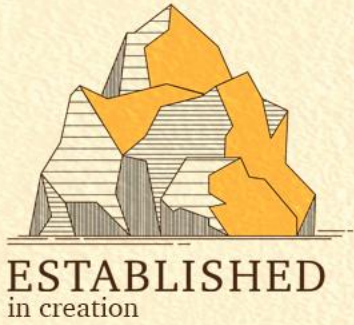
The Future Is Not Hopeless

Genesis 4:17–6:8





Take me back. I want to go
home.

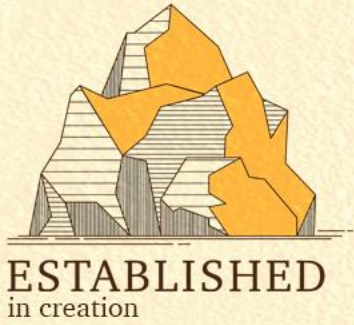


What we're homesick for is the
presence of God himself.

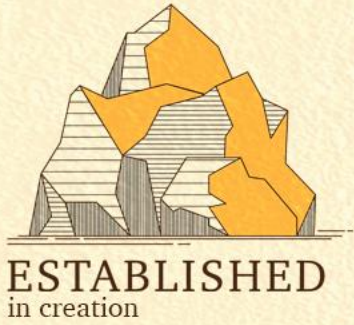


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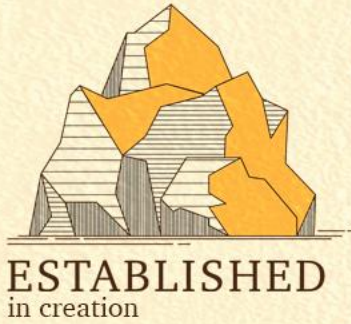
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God set the direction of time
toward life. Toward hope.

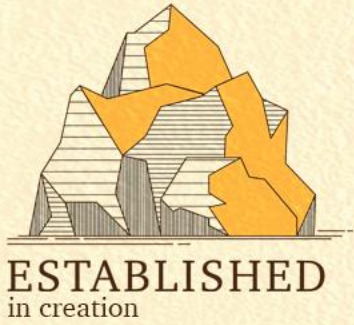


After the fall, time only runs
toward the grave.



Genesis 4:23–24

Adah and Zillah, hear my voice; you wives of Lamech, listen to what I say: I have killed a man for wounding me, a young man for striking me. If Cain's revenge is sevenfold, then Lamech's is seventy-sevenfold.



Genesis 4:26

...At that time people began to call upon the name of the LORD.



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Faith



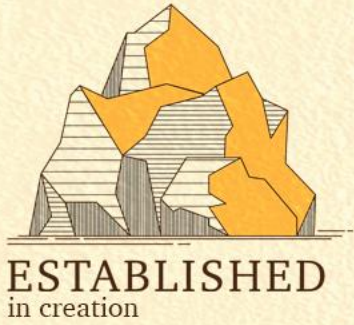
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And he died.



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Creation is groaning



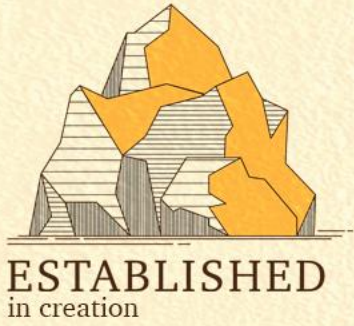
Genesis 5:24

Enoch walked with God, and he was not, for God took him.

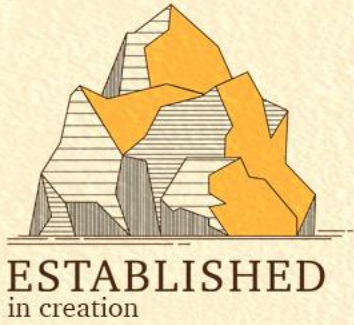


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Enoch walked with God

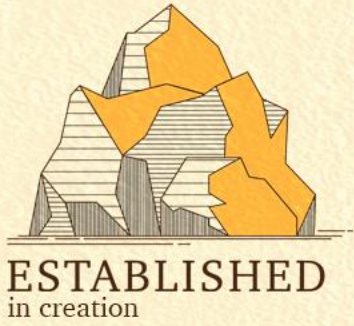


There's still a way to walk
with God



Hebrews 11:5

By faith Enoch was taken up so that he should not see death...



What was special about
Enoch?



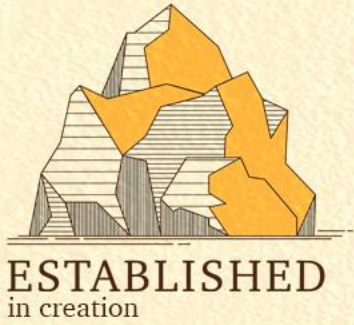
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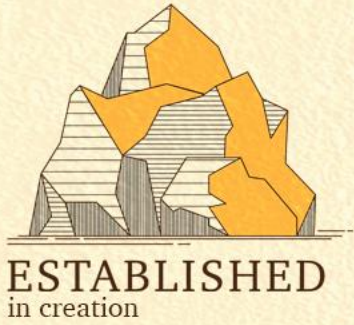
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Humanity grasping and taking
rather than trusting and abiding



Genesis 6:5

The LORD saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every intention of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually.



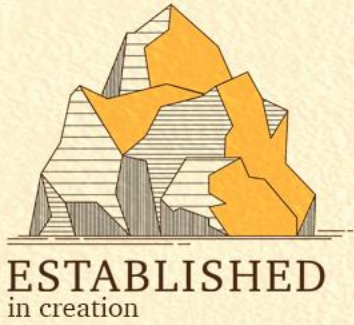
Genesis 6:6

And the LORD was sorry that he had made man on the earth, and it grieved him to his heart.



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But

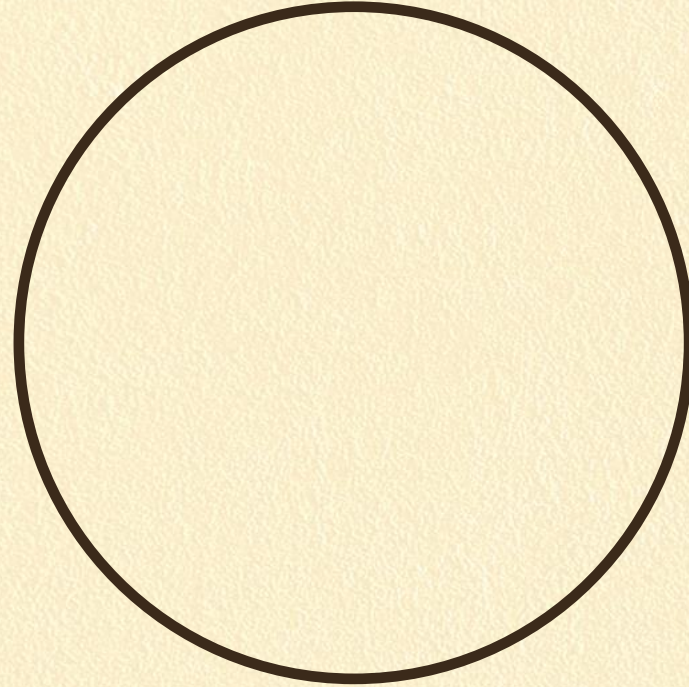


Genesis 6:8

But Noah found favor in the eyes of the
LORD.



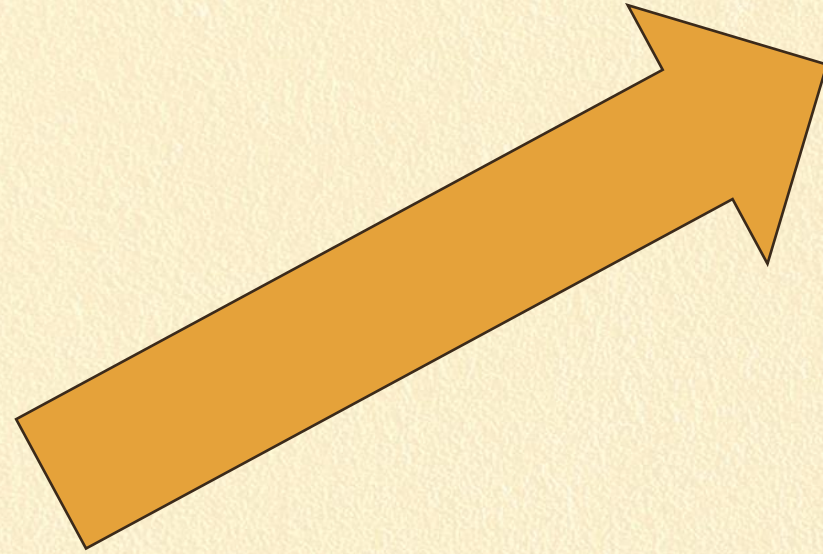
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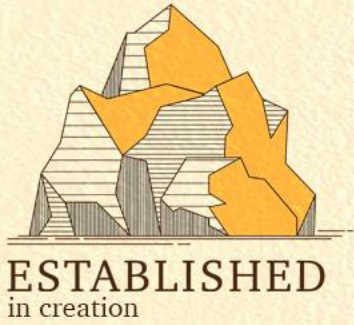
Circular time



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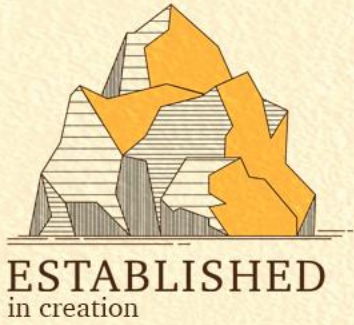


Time heads in a direction



Noah = “rest”

A signpost back to the seventh-day rest, and forward to the rest we are invited into.



2 Corinthians 4:16

...Though our outer self is wasting away, our inner self is being renewed day by day.



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Already, and not yet