

Why did God create if he didn't need us?

Wanted us

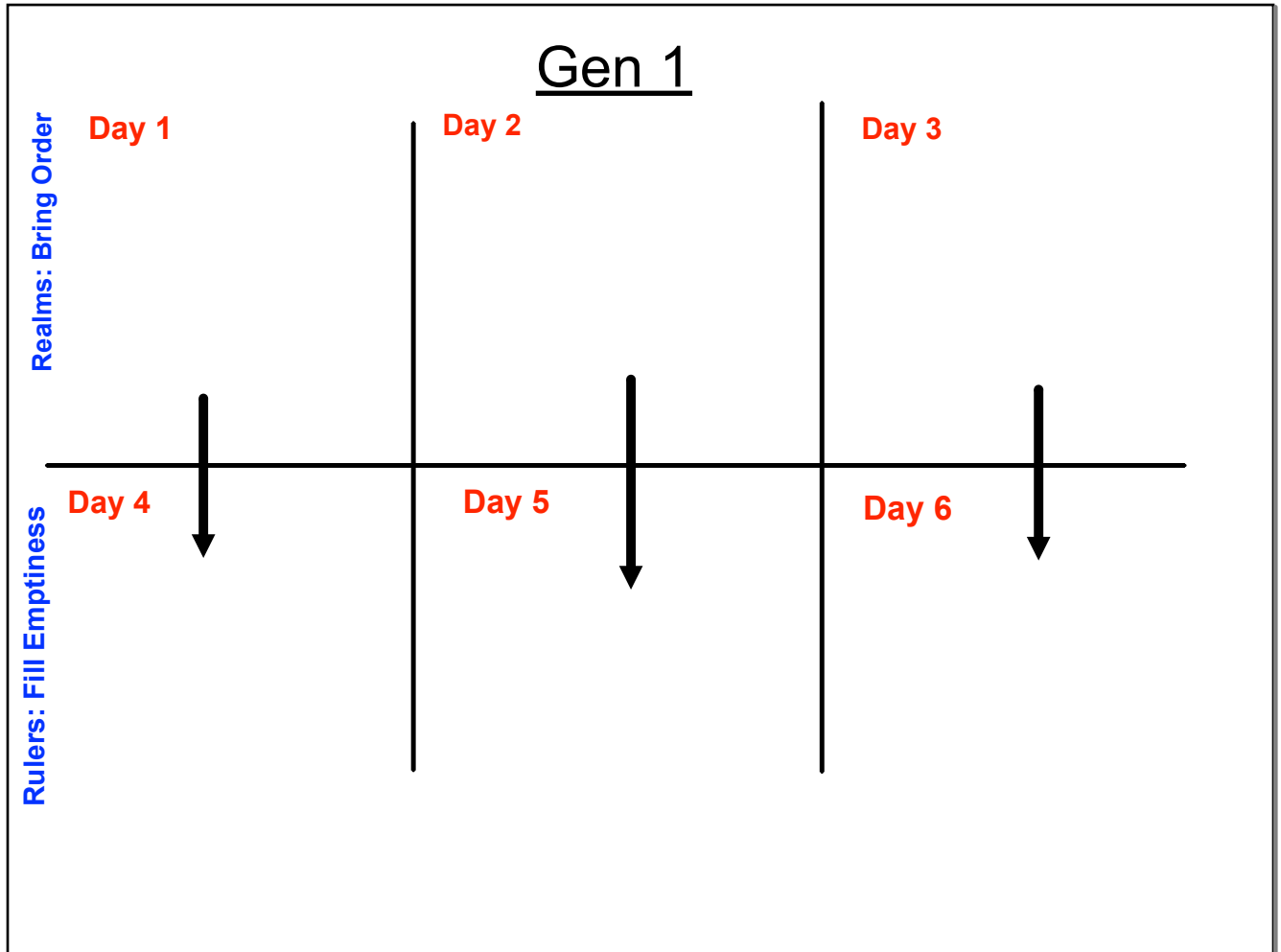
He did love himself but love always shares

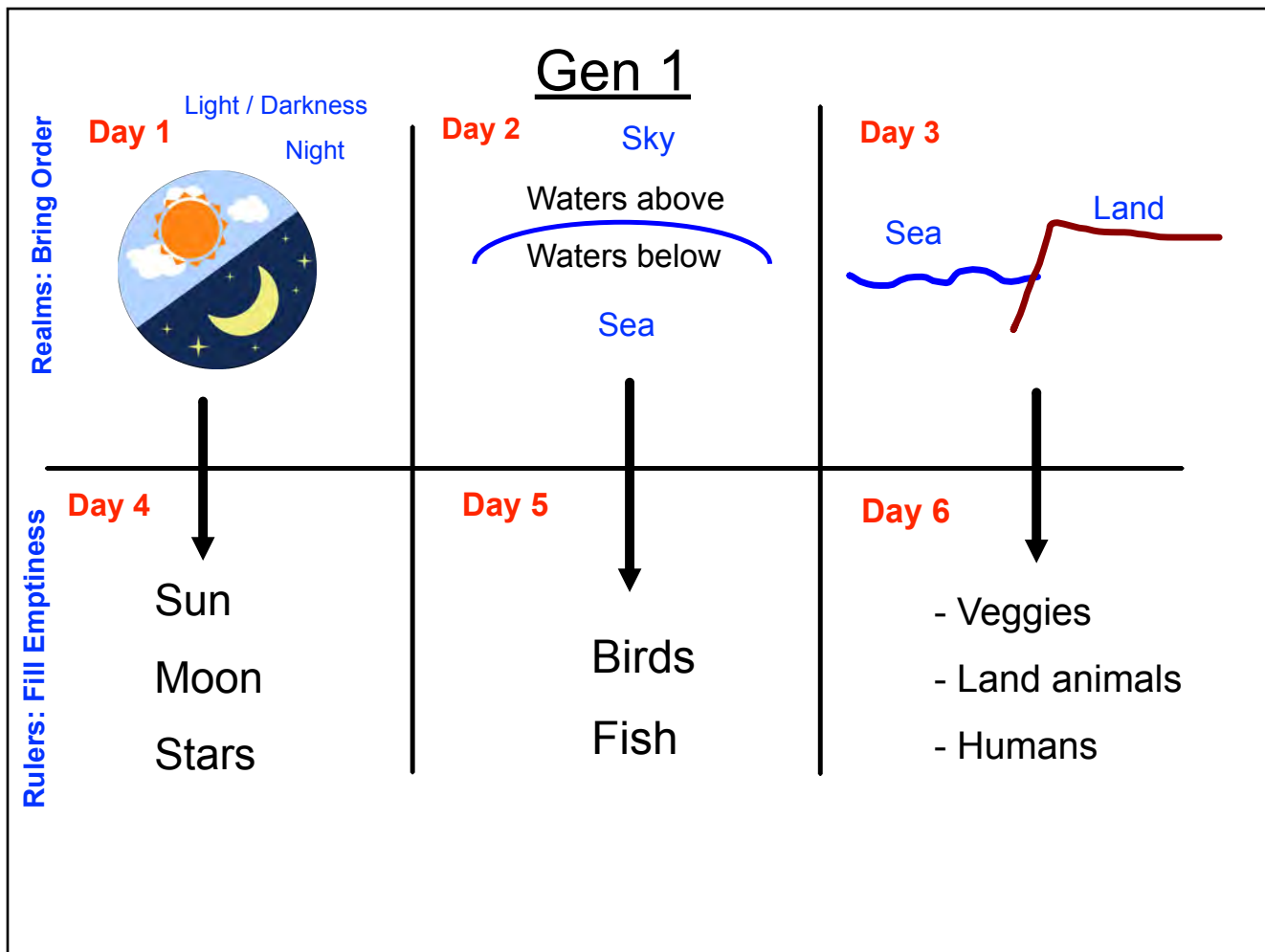
Love always gives

To show his glory

Why would God create anyone if he knows some people will not go to heaven?

God doesn't choose to send people to hell or heaven. He respects our freedom to respond to his mercy or not.





Ch. 3 Creation

Read pg 24, stop at
Creation of Man, WB 9

5 things Genesis teaches us.

1) Infinite God created all that exists out of nothing "exnihilo"

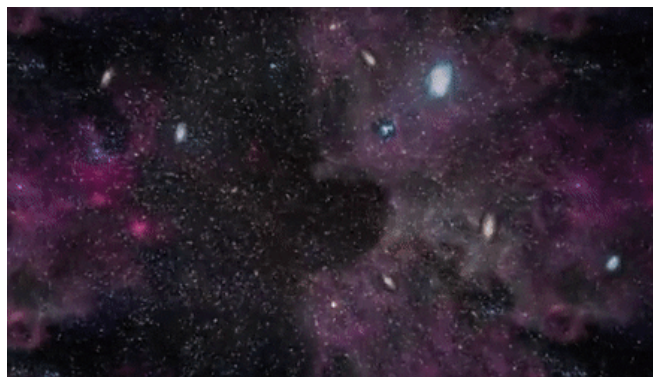
God: "Let there be light"

↳ and there was light.

VS.

Procreation

out of something



Judaism / Christianity / Islam (Abrahamic)
teach God created non-violently from
nothing to share his love and glory

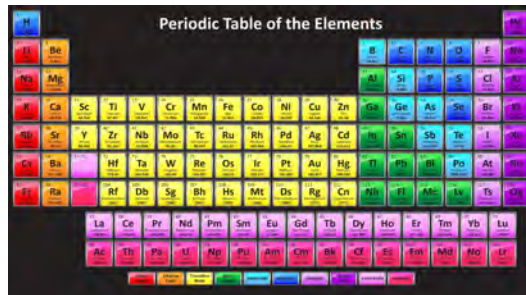


Other religions (myths)
taught gods shaped the
universe by accident from
a battle



2) God created the world in an orderly way to share his love for us.

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Teleological
argument



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3) Everything created by God is good.

"God saw how good it was"



Humans = "very good" "imago Dei"



4) Humans are the greatest of God's physical creatures



5) God has created each human and directly given us a soul.



Start review blue q's at the end of the chapter

The Human Person pg 24-26

Natural Gifts




Image of God
Imago Dei



1) Body

2) Soul



- Free-will 
- Intellect - conscience 
- Dominion 
- Equality in the eyes of God

Preternatural Gifts (Beyond normal)



1) Infused Knowledge: Knowing everything we need to for cooperation with God's will.

Opposite: Ignorance



2) Immortality: Won't die

- Tree of Life (in Garden)

Opposite: Mortality



3) Impassibility: no suffering

Opposite: Suffering



4) Integrity: Harmony of Body & Soul

Opposite: Concupiscence



- When sin looks better than virtue = weakness



Supernatural Gift

1) Sanctifying Grace

a sharing in God's own divine life.



