



I Am A Jesus Follower Because...

Stories of Lived Experiences

Part 4: He's Elohim – Almighty God

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Note: Psalm 104 can be seen as an exposition of the days of creation found in Genesis. *Elohim* – Almighty Creator, Sustainer, and Judge of the world – is the Hebrew name for God used in both texts. Supremely, *Elohim* gives believers eternal life through Christ Jesus.

Creation Days	Psalm 104	Genesis 1 & 2	Scripture Exposition	Life in Jesus
Day 1	vv. 1-2	vv. 1-5	Light	"I am <u>the light of the world.</u> " (John 8:12 & John 9:5)
Day 2	vv. 3-4	vv. 6-8	Sea & Sky	"I am <u>the gate.</u> " (John 10:7)
Day 3	vv. 5-17	vv. 9-13	Land & Plants	"I am <u>the bread of life.</u> " (John 6:35) & "I am <u>the true vine.</u> " (John 15:1)
Day 4	vv. 18-23	vv. 14-19	Sun, Moon & Stars (signs to mark seasons, days, and years)	"I am <u>the way and the truth and the life.</u> " (John 14:6)
Day 5	vv. 24-26	vv. 20-23	Fish & Birds	"I am <u>the resurrection and the life.</u> " (John 11:25)
Day 6	vv. 27-30	vv. 24-31	Animals & Humans	"I am <u>the good shepherd.</u> " (John 10:11)
Day 7	vv. 31-35	2:1-3	Sabbath Rest	" <u>Come to me...</u> and I will give you rest." (Matthew 11:28-30)

Psalm 104:1-35 (NIV)

- 1) Praise the Lord, O my soul. O Lord my God, you are very great; you are clothed with splendor and majesty.
- 2) He wraps himself in light as with a garment; he stretches out the heavens like a tent
- 3) and lays the beams of his upper chambers on their waters. He makes the clouds his chariot and rides on the wings of the wind.
- 4) He makes winds his messengers, flames of fire his servants.
- 5) He set the earth on its foundations; it can never be moved.
- 6) You covered it with the deep as with a garment; the waters stood above the mountains.
- 7) But at your rebuke the waters fled, at the sound of your thunder they took to flight;
- 8) they flowed over the mountains, they went down into the valleys, to the place you assigned for them.
- 9) You set a boundary they cannot cross; never again will they cover the earth.
- 10) He makes springs pour water into the ravines; it flows between the mountains.
- 11) They give water to all the beasts of the field; the wild donkeys quench their thirst.
- 12) The birds of the air nest by the waters; they sing among the branches.
- 13) He waters the mountains from his upper chambers; the earth is satisfied by the fruit of his work.

- 14) He makes grass grow for the cattle, and plants for man to cultivate – bringing forth food from the earth:
 - 15) wine that gladdens the heart of man, oil to make his face shine, and bread that sustains his heart.
 - 16) The trees of the Lord are well watered, the cedars of Lebanon that he planted.
 - 17) There the birds make their nests; the stork has its home in the pine trees.
 - 18) The high mountains belong to the wild goats; the crags are a refuge for the coney.
 - 19) The moon marks off the seasons, and the sun knows when to go down.
 - 20) You bring darkness, it becomes night, and all the beasts of the forest prowl.
 - 21) The lions roar for their prey and seek their food from God.
 - 22) The sun rises, and they steal away; they return and lie down in their dens.
 - 23) Then man goes out to his work, to his labor until evening.
 - 24) How many are your works, O Lord! In wisdom you made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.
 - 25) There is the sea, vast and spacious, teeming with creatures beyond number – living things both large and small.
 - 26) There the ships go to and fro, and the leviathan, which you formed to frolic there.
 - 27) These all look to you to give them their food at the proper time.
 - 28) When you give it to them, they gather it up; when you open your hand, they are satisfied with good things.
 - 29) When you hide your face, they are terrified; when you take away their breath, they die and return to the dust.
 - 30) When you send your Spirit, they are created, and you renew the face of the earth.
 - 31) May the glory of the Lord endure forever; may the Lord rejoice in his works –
 - 32) he who looks at the earth, and it trembles, who touches the mountains, and they smoke.
 - 33) I will sing to the Lord all my life; I will sing praise to my God as long as I live.
 - 34) May my meditation be pleasing to him, as I rejoice in the Lord.
 - 35) But may sinners vanish from the earth and the wicked be no more. Praise the Lord, O my soul. Praise the Lord (Hallelujah).
- You are one decision away from a renewed life: Jesus

