



# CREATION: SEVENTH DAY — GENESIS 2:1-3

The seventh day is unique as indicated by three verbs. The characteristics of that seventh day were designed by God to continue.

 <sup>1</sup>Thus the heavens and the earth, and all the host of them, were finished. <sup>2</sup>And on the seventh day God ended His work which He had done, and He rested on the seventh day from all His work which He had done. <sup>3</sup>Then God blessed the seventh day and sanctified it, because in it He rested from all His work which God had created and made. (Ge.2:1-3)

## 1. God “Finished” — Ge.2:1-2


 Heavens and earth “were finished” (v.1)

 “God ended His work which He had done” (v.2)

- The whole work of Creation was finished. Thus, it was unique compared to days 1-6.
- Creation was finished at the end of day six. This was 6, 24-hour days.
- Since that time, there has been no other creation (exception of divine miracles).
- It was complete. It lacked nothing so it was “very good” (Ge.1:31)



## 2. God “Rested” — Ge.2:2-3

 God “rested on the seventh day from all His work” (v.2)

 God “rested from all His work” (v.3)

- Three times it tells us that His work was done (Ge.2:1-3)
- This does not imply any kind of weariness (Is.40:28; Ps.121:4).
- The result was that He was satisfied or “refreshed” (Ex.23:12).
- God's delight would not end until sin came.
- The conditions of that seventh day were designed by God to continue (no “evening and morning” component).



## 3. God “Blessed” — Ge.2:3

 “God blessed the seventh day” (v.3)

- God set it aside as a memorial, as a remembrance, that He created the universe.
- Saturday is a perpetual witness that God finished creation.
- To reject God as Creator in six days is to “unbless” the seventh day.
- There is no mathematical or scientific reason for weeks. God established that order because of creation.

