

Holy Spirit: The Spirit of God Moving in Chaos II

When God creates, He creates order out of chaos by the Spirit of God.

KJV Genesis 1:1 In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth. ² And the **earth was without form, and void**; and darkness was upon the face of the deep. And **the Spirit of God** moved upon the face of the waters.

I

In the beginning, God (*Elohim*) created the heaven and the earth.

God Elohim is from the root El.

El means strength which itself is used to refer to God in compounds like **El Shaddai (Almighty God)**.

Elohim **means “God”** or is better understood as “**gods**” (**elohim**), depending on the context.

God is one and multidimensional.

God has unity in diversity.

II

Only God can create bara.

Bara means to make something from nothing.

God created from nothing that which is something only He can do that.

The concept is *ex nihilo* (Latin “out of nothing”).

The earth was without *form and void*, a bundle or mass of raw material.

The Hebrew text here has two rhyming words, **tohu and bohu**, which have similar meanings of “**wasteness**” and “**emptiness**.”

The construction is a figure of speech called **hendiadys**, in which two words are used together to express the same idea.

A compound concept, such as *nice and warm* versus the modifier *nicely warm*.

The earth was formless, confusion and chaos.

III

^{KJV} Genesis 1:2a And the **earth was without form and void**; darkness was upon the face of the deep

Chaos is a state of utter confusion.

Chaos is the inherent unpredictability in the behavior of a complex natural system.

Confused means to disturb in mind or purpose.

Confused means to mix indiscriminately.

Confuse means to have everything present; however, nothing is in order.

Confuse means to make indistinct.

God's solutions to chaos and confusion are *the Spirit of God*.

IV

^{KJV} Genesis 1:2b And the **Spirit of God** moved upon the face of the waters.

It was by **the Spirit of God that the Lord God sovereignly created everything that exists**. (v. 2b)

In the darkness of the chaos, the Spirit of God moved to prepare for the effectual creative word of God.

The Spirit of God moves and is moving.

He moves over chaos, He hovers.

He moves in chaos; He broods.

He moves in spite of the chaos; He has strength.

He moves beyond chaos; He has foresight.

The principle of the first mention says whatever you see something or someone first doing, is an indication of what they will regularly be doing in scripture.
Herbert Lockyer

The Spirit of God is moving!

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