

# THE UNFOLDING MYSTERY OF REDEMPTION

## Lesson 1: The Book and the Beginning

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### I. Intro: The Mystery of Life

### II. Introduction to the Book that Unveils the Mystery

**A. It's Source: The voice of \_\_\_\_\_ through \_\_\_\_\_.**

**B. It's Contents**

1. 66 Books            "Bible" = "Library"
2. One Story
3. It is an Unfolding Mystery.

### III. Our Plan: To Study the Mystery

### IV. The Beginning of the Mystery (Genesis 1:1)

**A. "God" was there in the beginning.**

"God" = Hebrew "Elohim"

"El" = God, Diety; "Elohim" = uniplural.

**B. He must have been there \_\_\_\_\_ the beginning.**

**C. He must be \_\_\_\_\_.**

**D. He must not be \_\_\_\_\_ of the creation.**

- Not **limited** by it
- Not **dependent** upon it
- Not **subject** to it

**E. He must be \_\_\_\_\_.**



## V. "In the Beginning, God Created..."

A. He did not do it because He \_\_\_\_\_ anything.

B. He did not do it because He was \_\_\_\_\_.

C. He did not do it for \_\_\_\_\_.  
(John 17:24; Colossians 2:6; Acts 17:25)

D. He did it because \_\_\_\_\_ (Revelation 4:11).

*"You are worthy, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honor and power, for you created all things, and by your will they were created and have their being." (Rev. 4:11 NIV)*

E. He did it to manifest His own \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.  
(Psalm 19:1; Isaiah 43:7)

*"The heavens declare the glory of God, and the firmament shows forth his handiwork."  
(Ps. 19:1 NIV)*

*"I have created Him for my GLORY" (Isaiah 43:7 NIV)*

### Conclusion:

If God existed before the beginning,

Then He must be an \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ God.

