- "Genesis" from Merriam Webster
 - "The origin or coming into being of something"
 - "The mainly narrative first book of the canonical Jewish and Christian scriptures"
 - So much more
- Written by Moses
 - First book of the Pentateuch; Torah or "Law" to the Jews
 - Authorship confirmed
 - Moses himself (Ex. 24:3-4; Num. 33:1-2; Deut. 31:9)
 - Sadducees and Jesus (Mk. 12:19, 26: Lk. 20:28, 37)
 - Philip to Nathaniel (John 1:45)
 - Jesus again (John 5:46-47)
 - Paul (Rom. 10:5 & 19 quoting Lev. 18:5 & Deut. 32:21)
 - Inspired and belonging in the canon of scripture

- Concepts introduced but fully realized in N.T. and Jesus
 - Grace (Jn. 1:17)
 - Election (Rom. 8:29-30)
 - Covenant (Lk. 1:72)
 - God's faithfulness vs. man's faithlessness (Rom. 5:8)

- Spans over two-thousand years
- Biographies/"The generations of..."
 - 1. The heavens and the earth (2:4)
 - 2. Adam (5:1)
 - 3. Noah (6:9)
 - 4. Noah's sons (10:1)
 - 5. Shem (11:10)
 - 6. Terah (11:27)
 - 7. Ishmael (25:12)
 - 8. Isaac (25:19)
 - 9. Esau (36:1)
 - 10. Jacob (37:2)

• Constant cycle of sowing and the reaping of the consequences.

- Adam and Eve
- Cain and Abel
- Noah and the world around him
- Abram and Lot
- Jacob and Esau
- Jacob and Laban
- Joseph and his brothers

1. Moses begins the book with the words "In the beginning". As we begin our study, list some of the "beginnings" you can think of from the book of Genesis.

- The heavens and the earth
- Life
- Knowledge of sin and it's cost
- God's expectations
- God's revelation of Himself
- Redemption and hope

- Reliability of His word
- Israel
- Worship
- Righteousness defined
- Providence of God