

GENESIS 1:26-28, 31

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF GENESIS

*Then God said, " And now we will make human beings;
they will be like Us and resemble Us.*

*They will have power over the fish, the birds,
and all animals, domestic and wild, large and small."*

*So God created human beings,
making them to be like Himself.*

*He created them male and female, blessed them,
and said, "Have many children,
so that your descendants will live all over the earth
and bring it under their control.*

*I am putting you in charge of the fish, the birds,
and all the wild animals.*

THE WORD OF THE LORD.