## Genesis 2:4-6 Filling in detail of the Acts of Creation

4 This is the history of the heavens and the earth when they were created, in the day that the LORD God made the earth and the heavens, 5 before any plant of the field was in the earth and before any herb of the field had grown. For the LORD God had not caused it to rain on the earth, and there was no man to till the ground; 6 but a mist went up from the earth and watered the whole face of the ground. NKJV

Facts that need our attention regarding the History of Creation and the difference between Genesis Chapter 1 and Chapter 2:

- **This is not a second account of creation**, but rather a completion of information that was passed over in Chapter 1 as God gave the overview of creation. Chapter 2 fills in detail that was not included earlier.
- For example: In Chapter 1 God is shown as separating the water from the dry ground but He did not let us know how the plants were watered. However, in Chapter 2 He filled us in on that information and said that the watering system was established before any plant of the field was in the earth.
- ☼ He tells us that it did not rain but the ground was watered by a mist that went up from the earth and watered the whole face of the ground.
- ❖ God also reminds us that there was at that time no man to till the ground.
- ♦ Also, God makes it very clear to us that the rain is the work of His hand and not by chance.
- ★ Therefore, when He is describing the Land of Israel and tells us of the times when the land will receive water and the time it will not. we may fully believe it because we know that it is God Who fully controls the rain. [see Deuteronomy 11:13-17]
- ★ That is why it is so marvelous when the Creator tells us that during the Kingdom Age there will be rivers in the wilderness and springs in the desert [Isaiah 41:18] and waters in the wilderness and rivers in the desert. [Isaiah 43:18-21]
- ★ It is also interesting to note the first use of the term "Yahowah Elohiym (LORD GOD)." [v. 5]
  "Yahowah" is the Hebrew pronunciation of the word translated into English as "Jehovah" since there is no letter in Hebrew that is pronounced as an English "J".
- ★ It is interesting to note that Moses, who wrote the book of Genesis, inserts the name God gave him in [Exodus 6:2-3] where God said, "I am Yahowah, I appeared to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, as "El Shaddai," but by My name "Yahowah" I was not known to them."

Since Moses wrote the book of Genesis <u>after</u> he experienced the book of Exodus, it was easy for him to insert the name God gave him of Himself as he writes to identify the ONE being described.