

Echoes of Genesis 1-12 in the Chinese Characters



The Yellow Emperor
Huangdi
(c. 2698-2598 BC)



Cangjie
Inventor of Chinese Characters
(c. 2650 BC)

A black and white illustration of a mountainous landscape. In the foreground, there are several traditional buildings with tiled roofs, possibly a village or a farmstead, situated near a body of water or a river. The middle ground shows a range of mountains with some peaks covered in snow or mist. The background features more distant, hazy mountain ranges. The overall style is reminiscent of a woodblock print or a traditional ink wash painting.

The Creation of Humanity, Garden of Eden, Fall, Flood and Tower of Babel

上帝

Heavenly

Emperor

God – *Shang Di*

A thick red border with a traditional Chinese decorative pattern, consisting of interlocking squares and lines, framing the entire page.

示

Reveal

申

Man

Garden

God

神

Reveal

Man

Garden

God - *shén*

靈

One

Cover, Roof

Water

3 persons

Worker of
Magic

Spirit - *líng*

Living

Dust

生

Man

Talk - *shao*



造

Walk

Talk

Create - *zào*

Living

Dust

先

Man

First - *xiān*

Two

People

元

Beginning - *yuán*

Roof/Cover

Beginning

完

Complete - *wán*

The image features a large, bold Chinese character '園' (yuán) centered within a square frame. The frame is defined by a thick black border, and the entire composition is enclosed within a red decorative border with a traditional Chinese knot pattern in the corners. The character '園' is composed of the radical '土' (earth) at the top and '袁' (yuán) below it.

Dust

Breath

2 Persons

Enclosure

Garden - *yuán*

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The image features a large, bold Chinese character '福' (Fú) centered within a red decorative border. The character is composed of two parts: '礻' (shì) on the left, which is a variant of the '示' (shì) radical meaning 'divine' or 'god', and '田' (tián) on the right, which means 'field' or 'garden'. The red border is a traditional Chinese 'wan' pattern, consisting of interlocking geometric shapes.

One

Man

God

Garden

Happiness - *fú*

People

仁

Two

Perfect - *rén*



西

One

Man

Enclosure

West - *xī*



禁

Two Trees

Declare

Forbidden - *jìn*

Life

Garden

Man

Secret

鬼

Devil - *guǐ*

魔

Cover

Trees

Devil

Tempter - *mó*

Trees

婪

Woman

Greedy - *lán*

始

Woman

Secret

Mouth

Beginning - *shǐ*

Man

裸

Fruit

Naked - *luǒ*



苦

Weeds

Ancient

Bitter Suffering - *kǔ*



保

Entrance

Man

Tree

Guard - *bǎo*



兄

Mouth

Man

Elder Brother - xiōng



兇

Murder

Man

Violent/Cruel - xiōng



洪

Water

Together

Earth

Eight

Flood - *hóng*

舟船

Vessel

Eight

People

Large Ship - *chuán*



財

Ability

Eight

Wealth - *cái*



Cover/Roof

Eight

Cave - *xué*

Grass

“Mudbrick”

Dust

People

One

Mouth

塔

Tower - *tǎ*



遷

West

Great

Walk

Division

Migration - *qiān*

Sheep

義

Me

Righteousness - *yì*

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The Garden of Eden – Ghawar Oil Field, Saudi Arabia (The World's Largest)

1.8-2.1 km down under the desert of Saudi Arabia near Bahrain and Qatar, Uthmaniyah, Saudi Arabia

25° 11' 19.2912" N, 49° 18' 42.93" E

(<https://www.carrushome.com/en/saudi-aramco-recognized-as-a-leader-in-the-fourth-industrial-revolution/>) (Accessed November 13, 2021)



Bahrain

Qatar

Genesis 2:8-9; Ezekiel 31:16

c. 4600 BC

Story of Genesis embedded in Chinese script – 2600 B.C.

Birthplace of Chinese civilization - Zheng Xinzheng, China. 34°23'40"N, 113°44'20" E

(Source: The Discovery of Genesis, C.H. Kang and Ethel Nelson, Concordia Publishing House, 1979)



Chinese characters constitute the oldest continuously used system of writing in the world.

