



Biblical Authority —

# “The Meaning of *Mîn*”

Use the following discussion questions in your Sunday school class, small group, or family devotions. Read the article “The Meaning of *Mîn*” on page 102 of *Answers* (Vol. 4 No. 1) before answering the questions.

1. Other than Genesis 1, where does the term *mîn* (“kind”) occur in the Bible? \_\_\_\_\_

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2. What significance should we derive from the fact that, on Day Three, flora were created in at least two categories: plants and trees? \_\_\_\_\_

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3. How does the narrative account of the creation of biological life in Genesis 1 contradict Darwinian evolution? \_\_\_\_\_

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4. In what ways do the usages of *mîn* in Leviticus 11 and Deuteronomy 14 inform our understanding of the term in Genesis 1? \_\_\_\_\_

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5. How does the listing of unclean birds “after its kind” in Leviticus 11 and Deuteronomy 14 help drive home the importance of dietary laws in the life of the ancient Israelites? \_\_\_\_\_

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6. Why is it important to carefully study the Bible’s own terminology before imposing the results of science on the text? \_\_\_\_\_

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