

JESUS THE CREATOR

ALL THINGS ARE CREATED BY HIM

“For by [Jesus] were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by [Jesus], and for [Jesus]: And [Jesus] is before all things, and by [Jesus] all things consist.”

- Col 1:16-17

1. The Doctrine of Creation

- a. In six days God made ... all that in them is - Exodus 20:11, 31:17
- b. All things created by Jesus Christ - Eph 3:9 (John 10:30)
- c. Paul has the clearest statements of Jesus the Creator – Col 1:16-17
- d. “consist” – *def.* to stand to be, to be fixed, to exist, to be composed, to subsist
- e. Theological importance of Creation
 - i. The power of God (Jesus) – Rom 1:20, Acts 17:24,28, 1 Chron 6:25-27
 - ii. One man sin entered, death by sin - Rom 5:12, Col 2:9

2. “All Things”

- a. All inclusive – “all things” – John 1:3; there is nothing that was made left out
- b. “in heaven and earth” – universal – Gen 1:1
- c. “visible and invisible” – includes any spirit beings -
- d. Possessor of heaven and earth - Gen 14:19-22; Heb 1:2,10 & Psalm 102:25
- e. The heaven is the LORD’s - Psalm 115:16
- f. The kingdoms and powers - Col 1:13-14
- g. We wrestle against the rulers of darkness – Eph 6:12

3. Biblical Accounts of Creation

- a. Prophecy exalted God’s creation power over other gods
- b. “Thou art LORD alone” - Neh 9:6
- c. Psalm 146:5-9 & Luke 4:18-19
- d. By the word of the Lord - Psalm 33:6,9 & John 1:3 - Psalm 104
- e. I was setup from everlasting - Proverbs 8:22-31
- f. Prepare ye the way of the Lord - Isa 40:9-12,26-31
- g. “I am the LORD” - 42:5-8, 43:3 &15, 44:6,24; 45:11-12, 18
- h. All other gods shall perish - Jer 10:1-12
- i. Mighty God, mighty in work - 32:17-19, (Jer 51:15-16 & Psalm 29)
- j. Pentecostal creation ministry - Acts 4:24
- k. In the end when the kingdoms are conquered - Rev 14:7
- l. The Mighty God is Jesus – Isaiah 9:6; Rev 1:8,11,18; 4:8-11

4. Complete in the God of Creation

- a. Mystery exalts Jesus as Creator to make “all things” new through reconciliation
- b. We live for the one who died for us – 2 Cor 5:15
- c. It was the righteousness of God in Christ –2 Cor 5:21, Rom 3:22
- d. You are complete in God (Jesus), not a man, nor in yourself - Col 2:9-10
- e. We can reside in heavenly places because he was ‘before all things’ Col 1:17