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## **Creation**

**Gen 1:1** “In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth.”

The Bible is clear, God is the Creator of all things.

Sadly, I know of churches that will not even preach on this topic because they have people that attend that believe in evolution – what the Bible would refer to as “science falsely so called.”

**1Ti 6:20** O Timothy, keep that which is committed to thy trust, avoiding profane *and* vain babblings, and oppositions of **science falsely so called**:

We are to teach the authority of scripture – the Bible is to be our guide that determines what we believe. In any situation where the Bible teaches something clearly, our responsibility is to proclaim clearly what God says.

If the Bible differs from what they believe, then we are to show them what the Bible says.

**Rev 4:11** Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honour and power: for thou hast created all things, **and for thy pleasure they are and were created.**

We are going to look at a number of different aspects of this doctrine and why it is important – why it is a foundational doctrine that we must believe.

### **1. God Created the Universe**

The first verse of the Bible states one of the most important truths in the whole Bible:

**Gen 1:1** In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth.

I believe that creation was approximately 6000 years ago.

The universe did not create itself; it was created by God.

**Psa 100:3** Know ye that the LORD he *is* God: *it is* he *that* hath made us, and not we ourselves; *we are* his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

Each member of the Trinity was involved in creation, the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

**Gen 1:1** **In the beginning God** created the heaven and the earth.

**Gen 1:2** And the earth was without form, and void; and darkness *was* upon the face of the deep. **And the Spirit of God** moved upon the face of the waters.

**Joh 1:1** In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

**Joh 1:2** The same was in the beginning with God.

**Joh 1:3** **All things were made by him; and without him was not any thing made that was made.**

### **2. God Created the Universe out of Nothing**

Throughout Gen 1 we see that God spoke, and things came into existence.

**Gen 1:3** **And God said**, Let there be light: and there was light.

**Gen 1:6** **And God said**, Let there be a firmament in the midst of the waters, and let it divide the waters from the waters.

**Gen 1:9** **And God said**, Let the waters under the heaven be gathered together unto one place, and let the dry *land* appear: and it was so.

God didn't take something and make the world, He spoke and it appeared.  
He merely spoke it into existence

**Heb 11:3** Through faith we understand that **the worlds were framed by the word of God**, so that things which are seen were not made of things which do appear.

We say He created all things "ex nihilo", out of nothing.  
We cannot comprehend this; there is no adequate analogy in Nature.

### **3. God Created the Universe in Six Days**

Gen. 1 describes the period of creation as six literal days of "evening and morning."

**Gen 1:5** And God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. **And the evening and the morning** were the first day.

In the Hebrew way of speaking, sundown is the start of a new 24-hour day.

**Exo 20:11** For *in* six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them *is*, and rested the seventh day: wherefore the LORD blessed the sabbath day, and hallowed it.

Some Christians have tried to say that these were not literal days, but were symbols of periods of much greater length. (theistic evolution)

The problem with that is that Gen 1 is very clear as it repeats, "the evening and the morning."  
Another problem with this is that the Bible shows that sin entered into the world through Adam and that it is because of his sin that we needed a Redeemer.

Jesus confirmed that Adam and Eve were real.

This is not a symbolic description of creation.

**Mat 19:4** And he answered and said unto them, Have ye not read, that he which made *them* at the beginning made them male and female,

**Mat 19:5** And said, For this cause shall a man leave father and mother, and shall cleave to his wife: and they twain shall be one flesh?

**Mat 19:6** Wherefore they are no more twain, but one flesh. What therefore God hath joined together, let not man put asunder.

### **4. Creationism Disproves the Theory of Evolution**

The theory of Evolution is not merely a scientific theory; it is a religious belief.

The theory of evolution tends to evolve and change, but the basic idea is that there was matter throughout the universe (where did it all come from?) that was pulled together tightly by gravity until it exploded in a "Big Bang."

Matter then spread out through all the galaxy and everything disobeyed the laws of physics and joined together making things that were more and more complex.

The **second law of thermodynamics** (the **law** of increase of entropy) is disproves evolution.

Evolution is a decrease of entropy, because it involves things getting more organized over time, while the **second law** says that things get more disordered over time.

We see this all around us as anything left to itself degrades.

It doesn't grow into something more complex.

It takes a lot of faith to hold this belief.

That is why it is a religion.

Evolution is just a theory (and unscientific at that) whose main objective is to eliminate God. So-called "Theistic Evolution" is an erroneous attempt to say that God used Evolution in Creation. But this just as unbiblical.

## **5. Man's Sin Affected the Universe**

God created the universe and pronounced it very good.

It reflected His glory and was free from sin.  
Satan stepped in and led Adam and Eve into sin.

This brought a curse on creation.

**Gen 3:17** And unto Adam he said, Because thou hast hearkened unto the voice of thy wife, and hast eaten of the tree, of which I commanded thee, saying, Thou shalt not eat of it: cursed *is* the ground for thy sake; in sorrow shalt thou eat *of* it all the days of thy life;

This is why there are now storms, earthquakes, tornadoes, volcanoes, droughts, famines, wild animals, plagues, and death.

None of these were part of the original creation.  
Every part of creation suffers the consequences of our sin.

## **6. God Will One Day Re-Create the Universe**

Sin has defiled everything that is.  
God's glory in Nature is still marred by sin and its effects.  
But not for long.

When the Millennial Kingdom is completed the effects of the curse will be erased in the "new heavens and the new Earth"

**Rev 21:1** And I saw a new heaven and a new earth: for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away; and there was no more sea.

**Isa 65:17** For, behold, I create new heavens and a new earth: and the former shall not be remembered, nor come into mind.

We can clearly understand why the earth would be replaced, it has been marred by sin. But why Heaven? It has seen sin too, as Satan, moved with pride, proclaimed himself equal with God and was cast out with 1/3 of the angels.

## **CONCLUSION**

The Bible is clear, "In the beginning God."

As we look at this world we need to see clearly our Creator - His power, authority, method and order.