

Creation & Man

Out from His full collection of mysteries God brought forth a long held secret now ready to be revealed, so into the backdrop of nothingness, where neither possibility nor potential can be found, **HE SPEAKS A WORD!!** And in one deliberate and miraculous moment, creative energy, the likes of which had never been, exploded onto the scene. Many of today's scientists called it a BIG BOOM, The Bible calls it **A WORD FROM GOD!!** The first being the result and the latter, its cause.

Needing nothing more than the desire of His own heart, the wisdom of His own mind and the power of His own word, God filled the empty place. Light, energy and matter appeared, eliminating the absence of all things with unimaginable design.

Day after day, through a divine process of creative acts He brings to birth a world visible that had been long incubated in the depths of His own desires and counsel. With every spoken decree, "**LET THERE BE...**" new formation and creative alteration takes place. The heavenly hosts remain spell bound, watching and viewing what they had never witnessed before. So with perfect pitch and harmony these innumerable morning stars join together to release their heavenly song. There you have it... God creating in the midst of praise and when He lays the foundation of the earth the angelic song climbs to a thunderous crescendo as these winged sons of God, **SHOUT FOR JOY!!**

The lush green grass carpets the fields and meadows, while the mountains are firmly established as earthen sign-posts of His own Majesty. The rippling waters and the singing birds add melody and song to this unbelievable landscape. The temperature has been perfectly set because of a ball of fire, teeming with a resource of light, heat and energy, that hangs ninety three million miles away upon nothing but a Divine decree.

It's nearing the end of the sixth day, when, suddenly, the angelic song diminishes to a heavenly whisper as they watch their Creator's stance take on a whole new form... He stoops and scratches the young face of the earth. He takes the moistened soil and begins to form and fashion it like a master potter working with his clay. Then farther down He bends and breathes His own life into the lifeless form. All at once... the heart begins to beat, his eyes open and then this earth-man begins to move, he rises, stretches and then fully stands. He looks up, down, from one side to the other, observing the unparalleled beauty of a world he calls His home.

By this one creative act the invisible God has truly outdone Himself. To every other living thing including fish and fowl alike, He says the same, "**Reproduce After Your Kind!**". But to this man and to his counterpart called woman that He brought forth from the man, He instructs... **SUBDUE, HAVE DOMINION, BE FRUITFUL AND MULTIPLY.** By virtue of this divine decree the earth has been gifted with a cultivator and caretaker. The animals are brought before him to receive their title and place within this new world order.

So with the sixth day now ending and the dawning of the seventh, God looked at all He did and exclaimed... "**BEHOLD, IT IS VERY GOOD**", as He then entered into His own rest.

The Bible teaches that God created all things. In this lesson we will consider creation at three levels: **Angels, The Earth & Universe** and then the creation of **Man**.

1. WHAT DOES THE BIBLE TEACH ABOUT THE ORIGIN AND EXISTENCE OF ALL THINGS?

The Bible teaches that everything which is (visible and invisible) aside from God Himself, was created by God and continues to be maintained by His power.

(1) _____
_____ - *Genesis 1:1*

“Of old hast thou laid the foundation of the earth: and the heavens are the work of thy hands.” Psalms 102:25

*“For by him **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 him**, and for him: And he is before all things, and **by him all things consist.**”
Colossians 1:16-17*

According to *Revelation 4:11*, why did God create all things

2. WERE ALL THINGS CREATED AT THE SAME TIME?

No. The Bible teaches that the angels were created some time before the creation of the earth and actually rejoiced together as they beheld the creation of the earth.

“Where wast thou when I laid the foundations of the earth?... when the morning stars sang together, and all the sons of God shouted for joy? Job 38:4-7

3. WHY DID GOD CREATE ANGELS?

Firstly, angels are God’s servants and are called **to do His pleasure** and to **give Him praise**. Secondly, the word angel actually means ‘**messenger**’. The Bible is filled with many examples of angels delivering divine messages to God’s servants. They are also seen assisting God’s people to accomplish God’s will.

*Bless the LORD, **ye his angels**, that excel in strength, **that do his commandments, hearkening unto the voice of his word.** Bless ye the LORD, all ye his hosts; ye ministers of his, **that do his pleasure.**” Psalms 103:20-21*

(3) _____
_____ - *Psalms 148:2*

*“But to which of the angels said he at any time, Sit on my right hand, until I make thine enemies thy footstool? Are they not all **ministering spirits, sent forth to minister for them who shall be heirs of salvation?**” Hebrews 1:13-14*

Note

Just a few examples of those in the Bible who received special angelic visitations include:
Abraham, Jacob, Gideon, Manoah, Daniel, Zecharias, Mary, Cornelius, Paul

4. IS THERE AN ORDER OF AUTHORITY AMONG THE ANGELIC HOSTS?

Yes. Apparently, not all angels are the same. There is a **‘Rank’** and **‘File’** among the heavenly hosts. The Bible also mentions, angels, archangels, seraphim, cherubim, authorities, principalities and thrones.

“For by him 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 him, and for him.” Colossians 1:16

Note

Michael, whose name means, **“Who is like God”** was a great warring archangel and he appeared on the scene during times of great conflict and battle.

*“But the prince of the kingdom of Persia withstood me one and twenty days: but, lo, **Michael, one of the chief princes**, came to help me; and I remained there with the kings of Persia.” Daniel 10:13*

*“And at that time shall **Michael stand up, the great prince** which standeth for the children of thy people: and there shall be a time of trouble, such as never was since there was a nation even to that same time: and at that time thy people shall be delivered, every one that shall be found written in the book.” Daniel 12:1*

“And there was war in heaven: Michael and his angels fought against the dragon; and the dragon fought and his angels, And prevailed not; neither was their place found any more in heaven.” Revelation 12:7-8

Gabriel, whose name means, **“God is Mighty”** was a messenger angel who carried divine messages to man. Some include:

A. Daniel:

*“Yea, while I was speaking in prayer, even the man Gabriel, whom I had seen in the vision at the beginning, being caused to fly swiftly, touched me about the time of the evening oblation. **And he informed me, and talked with me, and said, O Daniel, I am now come forth to give thee skill and understanding.**” Daniel 9:21-22*

B. Zecharias:

“And the angel answering said unto him, I am Gabriel, that stand in the presence of God; and am sent to speak unto thee, and to show thee these glad tidings.” Luke 1:19

C. Mary:

“And in the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent from God unto a city of Galilee, named Nazareth...” Luke 1:26

5. DO ANGELS HAVE THE ABILITY TO BECOME VISIBLE?

Yes. There are numerous occasions in the Bible, where angels appeared to people and were seen by them.

(4) According to [Gen. 19:1-28](#), who was saved by angels and what place was destroyed by them? _____

(5) According to [Acts 12:7-10](#), how was Peter delivered out from prison?

-An Angel wrestled with Jacob ([Gen. 32:24-32](#))

-An Angel appeared at Christ's tomb ([Luke 24:1-10](#))

-A Multitude of Angels Appeared To The Shepherds ([Luke 2:8-14](#))

6. HOW AWARE SHOULD WE BE OF ANGELS?

The Bible teaches us that when we entertain strangers and show hospitality to them that we might be **“entertaining angels unawares”** ([Hebrews 13:2](#)).

As we can see, it is plain that God often employs his holy angels to interact with his people by bringing them special messages, revelations of His will and to war on their behalf.

However, the Bible is not without warning. We are warned to not...

1. Worship Angels (this includes prayer): [Colossians 2:18](#)

*“And I John saw these things, and heard them. And when I had heard and seen, **I fell down to worship before the feet of the angel** which showed me these things. Then saith he unto me, **See thou do it not**: for I am thy fellow servant, and of thy brethren the prophets, and of them which keep the sayings of this book: **worship God.**” Revelation 22:8-9*

2. Receive Another Gospel Through An Angel:

“But though we, or an angel from heaven, preach any other gospel unto you than that which we have preached unto you, let him be accursed.” Galatians 1:8

3. Receive Angelic Messages That Would Separate Us From The Love Of Christ

*“Who shall lay any thing to the charge of God's elect? It is God that justifieth. Who is he that condemneth? It is Christ that died, yea rather, that is risen again, who is even at the right hand of God, who also maketh intercession for us. Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?” For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, **nor angels**, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, Nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.” Romans 8:33-39*

Note

Keep in mind that nowhere in the Bible is anyone found directly commanding angels to accomplish something. God alone commands His angels to bring to pass His will and it's He alone who determines what role they shall play.

7. DOES THE BIBLE INDICATE WHAT THE MINISTRY OF ANGELS INCLUDE?

Yes. They are powerful beings that are constantly being sent on different assignments. Some of these assignments include:

A. To Protect and To Deliver God's People

(7) “_____ , whose I am, and whom I serve, Saying, Fear not, Paul; thou must be brought before Caesar: and, lo, God hath given thee all them that sail with thee.” Acts 27:23-24

“For he shall give his angels charge over thee, to keep thee in all thy ways. They shall bear thee up in their hands, lest thou dash thy foot against a stone.” Psalms 91:11-12

(Matt. 18:10; Acts 12:15)

B. To Strengthen God's People During Times Of Weakness

“Then there came again and touched me one like the appearance of a man, and he strengthened me, And said, O man greatly beloved, fear not: peace be unto thee, be strong,

yea, be strong. **And when he had spoken unto me, I was strengthened**, and said, Let my lord speak; for thou hast strengthened me.” Daniel 10:18-19

“And he was there in the wilderness forty days, tempted of Satan; and was with the wild beasts; and **the angels** ministered unto him.” Mark 1:13

C. To Communicate Divine Messages and Revelations

1. Daniel Received Understanding of the ‘Seventy Weeks’ By An Angel

“And he informed me, and talked with me, and said, O Daniel, I am now come forth to give thee skill and understanding.” Daniel 9:22

2. Moses Received A Revelation Of The Law Through Angels

“Wherefore then serveth the law? It was added because of transgressions, till the seed should come to whom the promise was made; and **it was ordained by angels** in the hand of a mediator.” Galatians 3:19 (**see also Acts 7:53 & Heb. 2:2**)

3. The Apostle John Received The Greatest Revelation Of Jesus Christ By An Angel

“The Revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave unto him, to show unto his servants things which must shortly come to pass; and he sent and **signified it by his angel** unto his servant John.” Revelation 1:1

D. To Execute Judgment

1. Angels Destroyed Sodom

“For we will destroy this place, because the cry of them is waxen great before the face of the LORD; and the LORD hath sent us to destroy it.” Genesis 19:13

2. Angels Destroyed 185,000 Assyrians

“And it came to pass that night, that the angel of the LORD went out, and smote in the camp of the Assyrians a hundred fourscore and five thousand: and when they arose early in the morning, behold, they were all dead corpses.” II Kings 19:35

3. Angels Will Be Used To Execute Judgment At The End

“The Son of man shall send forth his angels, and they shall gather out of his kingdom all things that offend, and them which do iniquity; And shall cast them into a furnace of fire: there shall be wailing and gnashing of teeth.” Matthew 13:41-42

8. HOW DID THE HEAVENS AND THE EARTH COME INTO EXISTENCE?

The Bible teaches that the heavens and the earth came into existence by a deliberate and miraculous creative act of God.

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

*“Thou, even thou, art LORD alone; **thou hast made heaven, the heaven of heavens, with all their host, the earth, and all things that are therein, the seas, and all that is therein, and thou preservest them all; and the host of heaven worshipeth thee.**” Nehemiah 9:6*

*The earth is the LORD's, and the fullness thereof; the world, and they that dwell therein. **For he hath founded it upon the seas, and established it upon the floods.**” Psalms 24:1-2*

*“**By the word of the LORD were the heavens made; and all the host of them by the breath of his mouth... For he spoke, and it was done; he commanded, and it stood fast.**” Psalms 33:6-9*

“I have made the earth, and created man upon it: I, even my hands, have stretched out the heavens, and all their host have I commanded.” Isaiah 45:12

*“And when they heard that, they lifted up their voice to God with one accord, and said, **Lord, thou art God, which hast made heaven, and earth, and the sea, and all that in them is.**” Acts 4:24*

*“**God that made the world and all things therein, seeing that he is Lord of heaven and earth, dwelleth not in temples made with hands.**” Acts 17:24*

Note

In *Genesis 1:1-3*, we see the revealing of the '**three-ness**' of the One God (**The Father, The Word and The Spirit**) involved in creation.

(v.1) In the beginning God (fullness) created the heavens and the earth.

(v.2) And the **SPIRIT OF GOD** moved upon the face of the waters.

(v.3) And God (**FATHER**) said (**WORD OF GOD**), Let there be...

(8) _____
_____ - John 1:1

(9) _____
_____ -John 1:3

*“He was in the world , **and the world was made by Him, and the world knew Him not.**” John 1:10*

"For there are **THREE** that bear record in heaven, **the Father, the Word, and the Holy Ghost:** and these **THREE ARE ONE.**" | John 5:7

9. WERE THE DAYS OF CREATION LITERAL 24 HOUR TIME PERIODS?

Yes. The Bible teaches that our physical world was created in (6) days and on the seventh God rested from all His works. The following is a few reasons why we believe that creation took place in six literal days:

- A. The numerical adjective used with the Hebrew word (YOM) indicates this.
- B. Moses believed it (*Exodus 20:11; 31:17*)
- C. David believed it (*Psalms 33:6-9*)

10. WHAT DOES THE CREATION WEEK LOOK LIKE?

<u>Day</u>	<u>Creative Act</u>
<i>One</i>	<i>Earth & creation of light</i>
<i>Two</i>	<i>Separation of upper and lower waters by space</i>
<i>Three</i>	<i>Plant life created</i>
<i>Four</i>	<i>Sun, moon and stars created</i>
<i>Five</i>	<i>Fish & fowl created</i>
<i>Six</i>	<i>Land animals & man created</i>
<i>Seven</i>	<i>Creation fully completed and God rests</i>

11. HOW DID MAN COME INTO EXISTENCE?

God created man and the following represents (3) important observations regarding that creative process:

1. Divine Purpose: (*Genesis 1:26-28*)

- A. **Created In The Image And Likeness Of God** (*v.26-27*)
- B. **Have Dominion and To Subdue All The Earth** (*v.26, 28*)
- C. **Be Fruitful And Multiply** (*v.28*)

Before God ever physically created the first man, He declared what man's purpose was to be. This meant that the purpose for which man was created actually pre-existed before he did. Man's highest and ultimate purpose within creation was to enjoy fellowship with God and to be His visible representation in the earth.

Jesus Himself makes reference to this Divine purpose of man by quoting from **Psalm 82:6:**

“Jesus answered them, Is it not written in your law, I said, Ye are gods If he called them gods, unto whom the word of God came, and the Scripture cannot be broken.” John 10:34-35

The fact of Adam’s dominion is further reinforced by God bringing all the animals to him, so that Adam could name them. By the spoken word, it was Adam who actually declared the order and place of the animals within creation.

“And out of the ground the LORD God formed every beast of the field, and every fowl of the air; and brought them unto Adam to see what he would call them: and whatsoever Adam called every living creature, that was the name thereof. And Adam gave names to all cattle, and to the fowl of the air, and to every beast of the field; but for Adam there was not found a help meet for him.” Genesis 2:19-20

God created each of the other animals (fish, fowl, reptiles, mammals, etc.) “**according to it’s kind**” (*Gen. 1:21, 24, 25*). However, man was created after a ‘**Divine Type**’ and not after a type of the animal kingdom. There is a clear distinction between human beings and the animal kingdom.

Luke’s genealogical record states it simply but ever so profoundly:

(10) “Which was the son of Enos, which was the son of Seth, which was the son of Adam, _____.” Luke 3:38

This ‘*High*’ creation of God called man, was then given authority and dominion to maintain order (subdue) over all the earth. This Divine purpose of man was intended to be continually expressed as mankind reproduced itself.

Every other aspect of man’s special relationship that he shared with God (including his fellowship with God) was meant to serve and to reinforce this original purpose.

2. The Physical Material (*Gen. 2:7*).

The first man was ‘formed from the dust of the ground’. In fact the name ‘man’ comes from the Hebrew word ha’adam and it means red/red-brown (*like the color of clay*). The fact that God formed man from the dust of the ground simply means that God used pre-existing matter (*but not other forms of life, such as marine or land animals*) in order to make man.

3. The Breath Of Life (*Gen. 2:7*)

God had already fully formed man from the dust of the earth. However, it wasn’t until God breathe the breath of life into man that man became ‘a living soul’ (being).

12. WHAT DOES IT MEAN THAT MAN BECAME A LIVING SOUL?

When God formed man from the elements of the earth, all the organs were present: the heart, lungs, kidneys, eyes, etc. All was perfect **BUT LIFELESS**. It wasn’t until God breathe into this lifeless form that man became a living soul. The scriptural equation is rather simple to understand:

Formed dust of the earth + Breath of Life = A living conscious being or living soul.

** Keep in mind that the Bible says nothing of man receiving '**A Soul**' (a separate conscious entity) from God but by receiving the 'Breath Of Life' he became a living conscious being.

13. ACCORDING TO THE CREATION ACCOUNT, WHAT THEN CAN WE UNDERSTAND ABOUT THE NATURE OF MAN?

According to Creation, we understand that man exists as an '**INDIVISIBLE WHOLE**' (A Complete Unit).

(11) _____
_____ - I Thess. 5:23

[*Paul viewed man as an indivisible whole unit]

14. JUST HOW CLOSELY ARE THESE RELATED TO EACH OTHER WITHIN MAN'S NATURE?

These are so closely related that for instance, a sick, impure, or confused spirit or mind will have a detrimental effect upon one's emotional and physical well being. The reverse is also true. Therefore, we have a God-given responsibility and scriptural mandate to care for all of our faculties the best we can.

“And take heed to yourselves, lest at any time your hearts be overcharged with surfeiting, and drunkenness, and cares of this life, and so that day come upon you unawares.” Luke 21:34

*“And every man that striveth for the mastery **is temperate in all things**. Now they do it to obtain a corruptible crown; but we an incorruptible... **But I keep under my body, and bring it into subjection**: lest that by any means, when I have preached to others, I myself should be a castaway.” I Corinthians 9:25, 27*

(13) *“For no man ever yet hated his own flesh; but _____ it, even as the Lord the church.” Ephesians 5:29*

(14) *“And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly; and I pray God your whole _____ be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.” I Thessalonians 5:23*

(15) _____
_____ III John 1:2

15. IN WHAT WAY WAS MAN CREATED IN BOTH THE IMAGE AND LIKENESS OF GOD?

The following are (5) important concepts indicating the likeness of man to God in creation:

GOD

1. God is a personal being
2. God has a 3-fold expression
3. God possesses authority
4. God is morally perfect
5. God has the inherent power

MAN

1. Man was created a personal being (*Gen.2:7*)
2. Man has a 3-fold expression (*1 Thess. 5:23*)
3. Man was given authority over God's works (*Gen. 1:26*)
4. Man was created morally upright (*Ecc. 7:29*)
5. Man was created with free will to choose, decide and to act with (*Gen. 2:16-17*)

16. WHAT DOES THE CREATION ACCOUNT TEACH US ABOUT WOMEN?

The creation account is incomplete without considering the special creation of the woman. The following are (8) important truths to consider:

A. The Creation Of The Woman Was God's Desire

"And the LORD God said, It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a help meet for him." Genesis 2:18

B. The Woman Was Created From Man and For Man

*"And the LORD God said, It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a help meet for him... and the rib, which the LORD God had taken **from man**, made he a woman, **and brought her unto the man.**" Genesis 2:18, 22*

"Neither was the man created for the woman; but the woman for the man." I Corinthians 11:9

C. The Woman Brought Both Completion and Companionship To The Man

*"And Adam gave names to all cattle, and to the fowl of the air, and to every beast of the field; **but for Adam there was not found a help meet for him.** And the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall upon Adam, and he slept: and he took one of his ribs, and closed up the flesh*

*instead thereof; And the rib, which the LORD God had taken from man, **made he a woman, and brought her unto the man.*** Genesis 2:20-22

D. The Man & Woman Were Meant To Share A Common Identity

“And Adam said, This is now bone of my bones, and flesh of my flesh: she shall be called Woman, because she was taken out of Man.” Genesis 2:23

“Male and female created he them; and blessed them, and called their name Adam, in the day when they were created.” Genesis 5:2

E. They Were Meant To Share A Common Purpose

“And the LORD God said, It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a help meet for him.” Genesis 2:18

*“And God blessed them, and God said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth, and **subdue it: and have dominion** over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over every living thing that moveth upon the earth.”* Genesis 1:28

F. Their Union Was Monogamous

*“And the rib, which the LORD God had taken from man, **made he a woman**, and brought **her** unto the man.”* Genesis 2:22

*“Therefore shall a man leave his father and his mother, and shall **cleave unto his wife: and they shall be one flesh.**”* Genesis 2:24

G. Their Union Was Intended To Be Indissoluble

*“And he answered and said unto them, Have ye not read, that he which made them at the beginning made them male and female, 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 Wherefore they are no more twain, but one flesh. **What therefore God hath joined together, let not man put asunder.**”* Matthew 19:4-6

Note

It is clear from the creation account that God holds very high and specific ideals for the marriage union that He created. In order for God's purpose to be realized, God established His divine order within the marriage union. **Page 62**
The man and woman (husband and wife) together, were meant to reflect **God's Glory, share His authority and be joined together in the work** that God had for them to accomplish in the earth.

17. CAN WE LEARN ANYTHING ABOUT CHILDREN FROM CREATION?

Most certainly. Since it was God's original intent for the earth to be replenished through the man and His wife, then we must understand that children should be considered 'Gifts' from the Lord.

"And Adam knew Eve his wife; and she conceived, and bore Cain, and said, I have gotten a man FROM THE LORD." Genesis 4:1

"Lo, children are a heritage of the LORD: and the fruit of the womb is HIS REWARD." Psalms 127:3

18. WHY IS UNDERSTANDING AND BELIEVING IN THE CREATION ACCOUNT OF ALL THINGS SO SIGNIFICANT?

The Doctrine Of Divine Creation is indispensable to having a sound Biblical and Christian foundation.

The following are (10) important truths presented to us in the creation account:

1. God Is Distinguished From All Other Beings Men Call 'god' by virtue of His Creatorship.

"For all the gods of the nations are idols: but the LORD made the heavens. Honor and majesty are before him: strength and beauty are in his sanctuary. Give unto the LORD, O ye kindreds of the people, give unto the LORD glory and strength." Psalms 96:5-7

"To whom then will ye liken God? or what likeness will ye compare unto him? Have ye not known? have ye not heard? hath it not been told you from the beginning? have ye not understood from the foundations of the earth? It is he that sitteth upon the circle of the earth, and the inhabitants thereof are as grasshoppers; that stretcheth out the heavens as a curtain, and spreadeth them out as a tent to dwell in... To whom then will ye liken me, or shall I be equal? saith the Holy One." Isaiah 40:18, 21,22, 25

2. The Foundation For True Worship is established in creation.

*(16) "O come, let us worship and bow down: let us kneel _____
_____." Psalms 95:6*

3. Personal 'Stewardship' Is Reinforced By Creation. Since God made us we belong to Him and therefore have the responsibility to exercise good stewardship, which includes cultivating and preserving the quality of our environment. (*Genesis 1:28; 2:8; Psalm 8:3-9*)

4. Having A Proper 'Self Worth' And Respect For All Men is reinforced by the creation account, since man was made in the image and likeness of God. (*Genesis 1:26-27; James 3:9-10*)

5. The Dignity Of Manual Labour and being productive is reinforced by creation since God placed man in the garden to tend and to keep it. (*Genesis 2:15*)

6. The 'Sacredness Of Life' is reinforced by creation. Because life itself is a gift from God we have a moral obligation to preserve it. (*Psalms 139:13-16; Is. 44:24; Jeremiah 1:5*)

7. Holding In High Esteem All Of Our Physical Universe is reinforced by creation since God continually called all that He created '**GOOD**'. When He finished creating the entirety of our physical universe (*including the man and the woman*) He declared it to be '**VERY GOOD**'. (*Genesis 1:31*)

8. The 'Meaninglessness Of Life' Finds No Place because of creation. The creation narrative clearly reveals that instead of coming into existence because of 'chance evolution' all things were created WITH A PURPOSE!

The human race was created to bear God's image, receive and employ God-given authority for the execution of God's will and to joyfully share in an everlasting relationship with our Creator. Only when this becomes fully realized through Jesus Christ our Lord does life become rich and full of meaning once again.

Knowing God's original intent for man produces a necessary hatred for sin and a wonderful appreciation for our redemption.

9. Marriage Is Reinforced As A 'Divine Institution' since it was established by God in the creation account. He intended the sacred union between the man and his wife to be indissoluble. (*Genesis 2:24; Mark 10:9*)

10. A Healthy Respect For The Holiness Of God's Law is reinforced by creation. In their pre-fallen state, mankind was still subject to the law of God which was '**freedom with declared boundaries**'. The singular law of *Genesis 2:16-17*, reveals that the intent of any prohibition from God is for the good and well being of mankind, and any violation is met with consequences.

19. HOW DOES THE CREATION ACCOUNT COMPARE WITH SOME OF THE MORE PREVAILING PHILOSOPHIES OF OUR DAY?

Within the first two chapters of our Bible invaluable truths which serve as the foundation of our Christian Faith are clearly established and other false notions are immediately refuted.

Philosophy –vs– Creation

PHILOSOPHY	BELIEF	CREATION
<i>Atheism</i>	<i>There is no God. Man is the result of 'chance evolution'</i>	<i>There is a God. Man was uniquely and purposefully created by God</i>
<i>Polytheism</i>	<i>There are many GODS</i>	<i>There is but one true God responsible for the creation of all things</i>
<i>Pantheism</i>	<i>God is completely one with His creation. All is Divine</i>	<i>God is separate and distinct from His creation</i>
<i>Evolutionism</i>	<i>All life within the world as we know it evolved from a single life form (including man)</i>	<i>God created all things, giving them their mark of distinction from their beginning</i>
<i>Materialism</i>	<i>Matter always existed</i>	<i>There was a definite beginning to all matter</i>
<i>Fatalism</i>	<i>Since there was no predetermined design or purpose to anything, whatever will be, will be!</i>	<i>There was a purpose and plan for all of creation which is still intact and shall be fully realized through Redemption</i>

TRUTH IN REVIEW

**WORD
SIXTH
IMAGE
EVOLUTION
SOUL
LIFE
DOMINION**

**STEWARDSHIP
PURPOSE
DUST
MORALLY
WORSHIP
ATHEISM
PLEASURE**

**WOMAN
MONOGAMOUS
MICHAEL
GIFTS**

1. Man was created from the _____ of the ground.
2. The Bible forbids us to _____ angels.
3. All creation was created for God's _____.
4. Man was created on the _____ day.
5. God created all things by His spoken _____.
6. This false philosophy says that man gradually became an intelligent life form: _____
7. God breathed into man and man became a LIVING _____.
8. Since all was created for God's pleasure, man should exercise proper _____.
9. Man was created in God's _____.
10. The _____ was created from the man.
11. This false philosophy doesn't believe in the existence of God at all: _____
12. Creation teaches us the Sacredness of _____ because every person was created with a purpose.
13. God pronounced man's _____ before He created him.
14. Man was originally created _____ upright.
15. God intended for man to have _____ over all the earth
16. God Intended For the marriage relationship to be _____.
17. _____ was the name of a warring angel.
18. From the beginning of Genesis we learn that children are to be considered _____ from God.