


# Creation Science Defense



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Jesus said, “John 5:45 *Do not think that I will accuse you to the Father. There is one that accuseth you, even Moses, in whom ye trust. 46 For had ye believed Moses, ye would have believed Me, for he wrote of Me. But if ye believe not his writings, how shall ye believe My words?*”

We live in a world that is constantly telling us, in many different ways, that we cannot believe the writings of Moses, specifically the first eleven chapters of Genesis. In newspapers, television documentaries, movies, in education from pre-school to the highest levels and in any form of public communication a predominant, pervasive and invasive teaching is the insidious teaching about the origin of life and the universe called evolution. This view of origin, or beginnings, is an attack on the authority of the Word of God.

This is a battle, a real battle with the real casualties of truth, reason and science. But more importantly, it is a spiritual battle over a foundational teaching of Scripture. In fact, the word *battlefront* is defined as the, “*sector where actual combat takes place between armed forces.*” This teaching, this doctrine of origin is a *sector* where *actual* combat is taking place. It is the front lines. The other side is armed with many powerful weapons... but we have a superior weapon—the sword of the Spirit.

This debate can be won using logic and science without even opening the Bible. Many have approached it in this manner. However, by leaving the Bible out of the

discussion we are not only ignoring a vital historic document and a scientifically reliable source from the very Creator of the universe but more importantly we are going into battle without the only offensive weapon in our spiritual armor. In Ephesians 6:11 and two verses over in verse 13 it says to put on the *full* armor of faith, including the sword of the Spirit. So, we cannot sheath the sword, we must assault error with the truth of the Word of God. I would rather lose a debate, but present the Bible accurately than win a debate intentionally avoiding Scriptural arguments. Psalm 19:7 says, *“the word of God is perfect, converting the soul.”*

My objective in the time I am with you is to equip you in this battle. In 1 Peter 3:15 it says, *“...be ready always to give an answer to every man that asketh you a reason of the hope that is in you with meekness and fear.”* Look at the word “ready;” I want you to be “ready” to stand against this stronghold that exalts itself against the knowledge of God. In doing so my objective will be to expose evolution as a lie. Evolution is a lie; it is a “dangerous deed of darkness.” In Ephesians 5:11 it says, *“And have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather reprove them.”* To “reprove” means to “expose,” bring out in the open. That will be my objective too; to expose the fallacy of evolution. I am convinced that if I am successful in equipping you and exposing falsehood an important by-product will result: that is you should gain a greater desire to worship our all-powerful and all-knowing creator.

Also, this is not just a battle of the intellect. Winning arguments is not the objective. You can win arguments and lose people. We must always remember to present this *“yet with meekness and fear.”* Walter Martin said it best, *“Controversy for the sake of controversy is sin. Controversy for the sake of truth is a divine command.”*

Today I will address the relevance of the doctrine of origin, I will give definitions for the views of origins and I will go over each of the first seven days of the history of the universe.

Tomorrow I will focus on logic and science.

Tuesday I will discuss some more science, human origins and Noah’s Flood.

Wednesday I will discuss the age of the earth and the effects of creation on the gospel and evangelism.

Thursday will be a question and answer day. Give pastor questions during week. I’ll warn you from the beginning, I have a lot of information. So Thursday will be a good day to ask questions if something passes by.

So let’s just dive into the heart of the issue but I won’t start in Genesis one. Let’s read Genesis 3:1-5 *“Now the serpent was more subtle than any beast of the field which the Lord God had made. And he said to the women, Yea, hath God said, Yea shall not eat of every tree of the garden? And the women said unto the*

*serpent, We may eat of the fruit of the trees of the garden. But of the fruit of the tree which is in the midst of the garden, God hath said, Ye shall not eat of it, neither shall ye touch it, lest ye die. And the serpent said unto the women, Ye shall not surely die. For God doth know that in the day ye eat thereof, then your eyes shall be opened, and ye shall be as gods, knowing good and evil.*" In Genesis 3:5 Satan tempted Eve with the "knowledge of good and evil." Adam and Eve wanted autonomy. Autonomy: from the Greek *autos* meaning "self" and *nomos* meaning "law", i.e. self-rule. That is the heart of rebellion. That is the essence of sin; the reason for the fall.

Instead, we are to be *dependent* on God, *not* ourselves. In the same way, nature is dependent on God to sustain it (Hebrews 1:3 and Colossians 1:17, "*by Him all things consist.*"). Evolution explains what we see in nature as *independent* of God, autonomous. Evolution provides a philosophical thought structure to explain origin apart from God; making it okay to make the rules for ourselves rather than to rely on God as the "rulemaker." If there is no creator and no moral law it dispossesses man of any accountability.

And this is the natural answer for sinful man; that our opinions determine truth. Isn't that what we are seeing in our culture? Truth is being determined by a show of hands. But, why are we surprised when this thinking is so predominant today? "*If Genesis is not true, when does God start telling the truth?*" Ken Ham Who

determines right and wrong without a real Genesis? "The question becomes, 'Does God mean what He says and say what He means?'" Ken Ham If Genesis 1:1 is not true, or allegorical, or whatever, then why should we believe John 3:16 is true? But, the Bible is as true in Genesis as it is anywhere. Genesis provides an absolute reference point and that is being removed. One pastor said, "*We live in a society that has lost its absolutes in the very first book of the Bible.*" John MacArthur

Notice in Genesis 3:1 it describes Satan as a deceiver. That is, he is not overt in his attempts to discredit Genesis through evolution. That is why evolution is best described by the word "sophistry." It means, "*unsound or misleading but clever, plausible, and subtle argument or reasoning.*"

2 Corinthians 11:3 reads, "*But I fear, lest by any means, as the serpent beguiled Eve through his subtlety, so your minds should be corrupted from the simplicity that is in Christ.*" Satan created doubt by misquoting God. Evolution can "lead us astray from the simplicity and purity of devotion to Christ." Notice how he deceived Eve and she misquoted God. Did God say "neither shall ye touch it?" No, she twisted God's Word. Likewise, evolution deceptively creates doubt and attacks the veracity of Genesis. And "*Doubt of Genesis ultimately leads to unbelief in all the Bible.*" Ken Ham So, evolution is an attack on the essence of Christianity and this debate is essentially about the authority of the Word of God.

Ken Ham points out: "*The meaning of anything goes back to its origin.*" For example, "What is sin?" Go back to Genesis three where I began—rebellion. Why is there death? Go back to Genesis: Because of the curse of the fall. Why is there marriage? Go back to Genesis: Because God created one man for one woman in Genesis. Why is homosexuality wrong? Go back to Genesis: Because God created Adam and Eve, not Adam and Steve. So, our opinions about these things are not just "our opinions." They are based on real history and the truthfulness of God's word. Unfortunately, too many Christians are attacking the issues rather than attacking the foundation of the problem—origin, evolution.

Psalm 11:3 reads, "*If the foundations be destroyed, what can the righteous do?*" Genesis is the foundation for the rest of the Bible. The New Testament, for example, is more dependent on Genesis than the Old Testament. There are at least 165 passages in Genesis that are either directly quoted or referred to in the New Testament. Every New Testament author refers to Genesis.<sup>1</sup> Genesis is the most quoted book in the New Testament and isn't it interesting that it is also the most attacked book in the Bible. The New Testament always considers Genesis to be literally and historically true.

On the other hand, evolution is the foundation for: Humanism:

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<sup>1</sup> John MacArthur, *The Battle for the Beginning*

I have a copy here of the Humanist Manifesto. The first two affirmations of it are that evolution is fact.<sup>2</sup> (by the way, the best definition of humanism: human ego and intelligence gone mad.)

Evolution is the foundation for Nazism: The Nazi concept of racial superiority is borne out of Darwinism. Frances Galton, Charles Darwin's younger cousin, developed the "scientific" idea of upgrading the human race called "eugenics." This was studied and applied by Adolf Hitler and gave him "scientific" and moral justification for his Aryan super race. Eric Fromme wrote, "*If Hitler believed in anything at all, then it was in the laws of evolution which justified and sanctified his actions and especially his cruelties.*"

Evolution is the foundation for Atheism: Some of the most prominent evolutionists of this world were atheists: Isaac Asimov, Carl Sagan, Stephen Jay Gould, Julian Huxley.

Evolution is the foundation for Racism: Darwinism spawned the belief that certain races were inferior to others. Did you know the rest of the title of Darwin's book, *Origin of Species* (By the way, who has heard of this? I'll talk more about it later.) The rest of the title of the book is *The Origin of Species by Means of Natural Selection or the Preservation of Favoured Races in the Struggle for Life*.

Ota Benga, an African pygmy (dwarf), was brought to the United States in 1903 put on display at the St. Louis World's Fair and later in a zoo. That was okay

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<sup>2</sup> *Humanist Manifesto I*

according to Darwinism that taught that the black people came from the less intelligent primate—the gorilla.<sup>3</sup>

The Bible, on the other hand, says that we are all descendants of one man, Adam. (1Corinthians 15:45) So then, how did we get a continent full of people with dark skin? The answer is found in the Bible—the Tower of Babel. Take a look at this punnet square. You remember from high school—big A, little A, big B, little B represent genes. As people dispersed an instantaneous genetic barrier was erected with different people groups. Large populations were created without the ability to produce light-colored off-spring. No one in the population with the big A, big A gene for light skin. And the language barrier kept these people groups isolated.

Now, at this point, I want to switch gears and define the terms in this issue. This is an important exercise in understanding the topic.

Evolution and creation are both *models* to explain origin. Neither evolution nor creation can be proved scientifically as fact. Both are reconstructions of a past event. Both can't be true; they are mutually exclusive concepts.

A model is a scientific framework of ideas used to help organize and understand facts in a meaningful way. A “scientific model” must be defended on the basis of

evidence and experiments. And this is exactly what we will do. We will look at the evidence and even conduct an experiment examining the models of origin. Now, the model that explains the greatest number of facts with the fewest number of modifications is the one most likely to be true.

First, evolution is explained by continual, natural processes.

According to evolution, life on earth began purely by chance, without any plan or purpose: it's fish to philosopher, particles to people, molecules to man. “It means that life originated by a blind process without intelligence involved. Molecules interacting countless times by chance eventually producing life. Life is the product of only chemical and physical processes, without intelligence involved.

Some say that evolution is fact because it is simple change but it is not. Let me explain it like this: 1. Man is logical. 2. Women are not men. 3. Therefore, women are not logical. The first two statements are true but they have been use to prove a third untrue statement. This is because two different definitions of "man" were used. Likewise, this is commonly done with evolution. 1. To evolve is to change. (This is a true and accurate statement. One definition of evolve means simple change. For example, it would be accurate to say, "Today evolved from a cold day to a hot day." 2. Change is true. 3. Therefore, evolution must be

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<sup>3</sup> Ham, Weiland, Batten, *One Blood*, p. 126

true. Again, the first two true statements are there but they have not proved the third statement that evolution as a model of origin is true. This is a logical fallacy called equivocation, or shifting definitions.

Evolution, especially defined as simple change, makes no predictions; it becomes so pliable and vacuous as to fit all observations. If the evolution model were true, we would expect to see it in action. We could expect to see new elements, new stars, new species of plants and animals, etc. (By the way, if the creation model were true, we would expect to see none of these changes and, in fact, we would expect species to go extinct and a general disintegration of the completed, created universe.)

Evolution is sometimes called Darwinism after Charles Darwin, who popularized evolution through the process of natural selection in his book, *Origin of Species*, published in 1859. Darwin earned a degree in *divinity* from Cambridge University and never earned a degree in biology. He had an atheistic world view.

Evolution is sometimes called materialism. Meaning that all things came from matter. It's matter organizing itself upward. It's nobody x nothing = everything.

By the way, people will sometimes ask me whether I think evolution should be taught in school. I always say, "Yes, the best way to refute evolution is to explain it

clearly." Unfortunately, in most instances not much time is spent defining what evolution really means, it is just assumed to be fact.

Another term you must be familiar with is "naturalism." Evolution is sometimes called or used interchangeably with naturalism. Webster's Dictionary defines naturalism as a philosophy: "*the belief that the natural world is the whole of reality and that there is no supernatural or spiritual creation, value, control, or significance.*" Naturalism is the doctrine that the mechanistic laws of nature are adequate to explain all phenomena.<sup>4</sup> Naturalism provides the framework for evolution. It redefines science so to prohibit any non-naturalistic laws of nature. Walter James Remine, in a great book called *The Biotic Message* wrote, "*Yet this redefinition of science is wrongheaded. Naturalism is not the criterion for science. Science does not begin by assuming all phenomena are naturalistic. Instead, the basis for science is the search for truth.*"<sup>5</sup>

Naturalism is the predominant view in science today. It necessarily excludes any consideration of the supernatural. Thus, the result of naturalism is this: creation becomes "unscientific" by definition and victory is won in the debate by default.

Let me explain it this way: Suppose a police detective investigates a missing car. The naturalistic explanation

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<sup>4</sup> Walter James Remine, *The Biotic Message*, p. 29

<sup>5</sup> *Ibid.*, p. 29

for the missing car is that, perhaps, the parking brake failed and the car rolled down a hill off the road. The detective is not restricted to this naturalistic explanation. An intelligent being, a car thief is also to be considered. The detective, like the scientist, is searching for the truth. What unites them is that their explanations must depend on empirical science, observable evidence: evidence observable with our five senses. Certainly, this dependence does not prevent them from considering an intelligence behind the evidence.

The creation model is explained by a supernatural completed process.

The God of the Bible supernaturally created the “heavens and the earth” and was responsible for the *supernatural* event of Christ rising from the dead. Jesus understood this connection in Luke 16:31 when He said, *“If they do not listen to Moses and the Prophets, neither will they be persuaded if someone rises from the dead.”*

Buddy Davis sums up believing in the supernatural in his song, *“I Believe”*: *“I’ll not apologize for Scripture, all its teachings I’ll believe. From the miracle that happened at Creation, to the miracle in John 3:16. I believe my Jesus fed five thousand, and He turned the water into wine. I believe my Lord walked on water, and opened up the eyes of the blind. I believe He spoke and Lazarus listened, the grave gave up the dead at His command...I believe that Jesus rose again!”*

The Bible always refers to creation as a completed process. Read Hebrews 4:3 *“...the works were finished from the foundation of the world.”* Thus, creation is *not* going on all the time, or continuing.

Biblical creation can be best understood with these four C’s from Gary Parker’s book *Creation: Facts of Life* (p. 10):

1. Creation refers to the acts by which God brought into being time, matter, energy, space and life, all working together in perfect peace according to His divine *plan and purpose*.
2. Corruption refers to the affects of sin bringing death, bloodshed, disease and suffering.
3. Catastrophe refers to the worldwide flood used to judge the wickedness in the days of Noah.
4. Christ is the One who conquered death and is coming to restore paradise, establish life, both now and forever, in the “new heavens and new earth.”

At this point let’s look at the first chapter of the Bible and these six days of creation. As we do this we will consider evolution and see if it can fit in this chapter

Day 1, verses 1-5 1 ¶ *In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth.* 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.* 3 ¶ *And God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light.* 4 *And God saw the light, that it was good; and*

*God divided the light from the darkness.<sup>5</sup> And God called the light Day, and the darkness He called Night. And the evening and the morning were the first day.*

Herbert Spencer, an eccentric and argumentative man, who actually coined the phrase, “survival of the fittest” died in 1903. He was considered a genius when he said that the knowable universe could be summed up in five categories, time, force, action, space and matter, in that order. This was nothing new. Consider the very first verse of the Bible, (in order!), “In the beginning,” time, “God” force, “created” action, “the heavens” space, and “the earth” matter.

Verse one is simply an overview. Starting in verse two it describes how He did it—with a six day process. On day one He created the material out of which He would shape the final heavens and earth; and He created light.

And notice this phrase in verse four, “it was good.” This is repeated in verses 10, 12, 18, 21 and 25 and finally in verse 31 where He says, “it was very good” at the completion of His creation. This is not a perfunctory statement, this is a pretty high standard—God Himself proclaimed it good. Thus, it goes without saying but, nevertheless must be said, that means that it was not bad in any way. This means, for example, the earth could not contain millions of years of death in its fossils.

In verse two it says, “*the earth was without form and void,*” that is, it was not yet capable of sustaining life, it

was still in a chaotic state, it was not yet pulled into the order which would uphold life.

Evolution on the other hand, claim that matter existed in the beginning and land existed before oceans.

Let’s stop now and look at this word “day.” It comes from the Hebrew word “yom” It is used over 2000 X in OT. It *always* (not just some of the times, but always) means a 24 hour, solar, literal, real, ordinary day when 1) Attached to the phrase “morning and evening” (38X outside Genesis) and 2) . It *always* 24 hour, ordinary day is used with or modified by a numeral, a number (e.g., day 1, 2, etc.) (359 X outside Gen) 3) A strict rule in interpreting Hebrew is that the first time a word is used in Hebrew text determines its definition.

Consider also the Fourth Commandment, Exodus 20:11a  
*1 For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day.* It was very clear to the Hebrews that this was a 24 hour period because violating this command was very serious, “*whoever does any work on it shall be put to death.*” Exodus 35:2

Note also the energizing agent; the method in which God created was those two powerful words, “God said.” These two simple words are used throughout—in verse 3, 6, 11, 14, 20, 24, 26 and 29. Psalm 33:6-9  
*6 By the word of the LORD were the heavens made, and all the host of them by the breath of His mouth.<sup>7</sup> He gathereth*

*the waters of the sea together as a heap; He layeth up the deep in storehouses.<sup>8</sup> Let all the earth fear the LORD; let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe of Him.<sup>9</sup> For He spoke, and it was done; He commanded, and it stood fast.* Note: This does not indicate a process, development or change.

Day 2, 6 ¶ *And God said, "Let there be a firmament in the midst of the waters, and let it divide the waters from the waters."<sup>7</sup> And God made the firmament, and divided the waters which were under the firmament from the waters which were above the firmament; and it was so.<sup>8</sup> And God called the firmament Heaven. And the evening and the morning were the second day.*

The atmosphere was created on Day 2. On day one the earth was all covered with water and on day two God separated it with this firmament, or expanse. This word means "Spread out thinness" = space = heaven = firmament.

A very popular model developed to explain the atmosphere before the Flood developed by John Whitcomb and Henry Morris is called the vapor canopy model. This is where the earth was surrounded by a vapor mist which created a unique and advantageous atmosphere for the plants, animals and mankind thus, giving us an explanation for giant plant and animal growth before the Flood. This could very well be what happened, however, we should not be dogmatic about this. This is a great time to discuss a vital point in this

debate. We should not be dogmatic about a model like this, but we should be dogmatic about what the Bible says. By saying things like, "according to what the Bible says this could have happened" or "this is a good explanation knowing what the Bible says." On the other hand, we should be dogmatic about what the Bible says and not shy away from that when it comes to Scripture we would do good to remember the words of Ken Ham, "It is not a matter of being dogmatic, but it is a matter of which dogma is the best dogma with which to be dogmatized."

Finally, about day two, notice it does not say, "it was good" after day two. Why? Because there was no permanence. The waters "under the firmament has some more dividing to do. Evolution is again at odds with this account, evolution states that the atmosphere has always been above a water layer.

Day 3, 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.<sup>10</sup> And God called the dry land Earth; and the gathering together of the waters called He Seas; and God saw that it was good.<sup>11</sup> And God said, "Let the earth bring forth grass, the herb yielding seed, and the fruit tree yielding fruit after his kind, whose seed is in itself, upon the earth"; and it was so.<sup>12</sup> And the earth brought forth grass, and herb yielding seed after his kind, and the tree yielding fruit, whose seed was in itself, after his kind; and God saw*

*that it was good.13 And the evening and the morning were the third day.*

On this third day we see dry land appear. Two kinds of growing things, vegetation, appear—plants and trees are created and created with an appearance of age, God made them fully grown, fully mature. The difference is the plants have the seed in them and the trees have the seed in their fruit. This seed makes them capable of reproduction. Note the phrase, "After its kind," it occurs 10 times in Genesis one. This means limitation on variation, that is an apple tree will not produce oranges, a rose plant will not produce marigolds. A plant can only bring forth something of its own kind. Evolution, on the other hand, requires some kind of onward, upward progression in the plant kingdom. The more we are learning about the complexities of the DNA molecule and the genetic code only confirm what we would expect to find if an organism were to reproduce "after its kind."

But again these events of creation cannot be true if evolution is true. Evolution says that marine organisms were first form of life; that fish came before fruit trees. Also, the fact that plants require pollination by insects; refutes any kind of long age theory.

Finally, before we leave this day note that God says "it was good." Why? Because now it was habitable.

Day 4: 14 ¶ *And God said, "Let there be lights in the firmament of the heaven to divide the day from the night;*

*and let them be for signs and for seasons, and for days and years;15 and let them be for lights in the firmament of the heaven to give light upon the earth"; and it was so.16 And God made two great lights: the greater light to rule the day, and the lesser light to rule the night. He made the stars also.17 And God set them in the firmament of the heaven to give light upon the earth,18 and to rule over the day and over the night, and to divide the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good.19 And the evening and the morning were the fourth day.*

The luminaries, the Sun and moon and the stellar bodies, the stars are created here on day four. Now you might wonder about the Sun being created on day four; how can there be life on day three without the Sun? Well, first many underwater plants and animals are now being found in depth of sea devoid of any light source. Even so, there *was* light during those first three days it simply was not attached to the Sun yet. We saw that it was created on day one. But why did God wait to create the Sun? Perhaps because of man's tendency for Sun worship. We see Sun worship to be very common in pagan cultures and even in the Bible in Ezekiel, chapter eight. I believe God waited to emphasize that He, Himself is the source of the light and that the light is not created by the luminaries, they are only His agents.

By the way, what is the purpose for creation of the luminaries? It says for signs and seasons. A year is determined by Earth's rotation around Sun and a day is

determined by the Earth rotating around its axis in relation to Sun, a month determined by the moon. What determined the length of a week? The period of time to create the universe.

One of my favorite sentences in all the Bible is in verse 16. “He made the stars also.” Almost as if it were an afterthought. The vastness and complexity of the stars is beyond comprehension consider Psalm 8:3-4a *“When I consider Thy heavens, the work of Thy fingers, the moon and the stars which Thou hast ordained,4 what is man that Thou art mindful of him,”* Note how it says the heavens are the work, not of His hand, but His fingers.

Alright now, let’s see what evolution says: it says the Sun and stars came before the earth. Again, evolution and the creation account cannot both be true. C.S. Lewis brings this view of the origin of the solar system to its logical end: *“If the solar system was brought about by an accidental collision, then the appearance of organic life on this planet was also an accident, and the whole evolution of man was also an accident. If so, then our present thoughts are accidents. The accidental byproduct of the movement of atoms, this holds for the thoughts of the materialists and astronomers as well as for everybody else. But if there thoughts are merely accidents, why should we believe any of them? I see no reason for believing that one accident should be able to give me a correct account of all the other accidents.”*

Boy, there is so much more to say like about this day of creation. For example, many get hung up about the supposed problem with the speed of light. I just have to encourage you to read the column on my website about that.

Day 5, verses 20-23:20 ¶ *And God said, "Let the waters bring forth abundantly the moving creature that hath life, and fowl that may fly above the earth in the open firmament of heaven."*21 *And God created great whales and every living creature that moveth, which the waters brought forth abundantly after their kind, and every winged fowl after his kind; and God saw that it was good.*22 *And God blessed them, saying, "Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the waters in the seas, and let fowl multiply on the earth."*23 *And the evening and the morning were the fifth day.*

Here we see the fishes and birds created. This is life different from before in two ways. First, note that it is life that has movement (plants can’t move), it reacts to the environment and moves from place to place. The second distinction is consciousness, the Hebrew word is *nephesh*, meaning “that which breathes”; although they are not self-conscious they are aware of and react to their environment.

Note, this does not imply in any way that some fragile blob of protoplasm somehow came together out of slime to produce the fishes and birds. The text can only be understood as these creatures being created mature

creatures. According to evolution birds are said to have evolved from dinosaurs. Obviously, dinosaurs, land animals have not been created yet, and, again, this shows that evolution cannot be cut and pasted into the Bible. One or the other is true. In addition evolution states that insects came before fish and land mammals before marine mammals and reptiles came before birds.

So now we should be able to answer one of the greatest questions of our day, “What came first, the chicken or the egg?” Obviously, the chicken. Birds were created fully formed on day five of creation.

It is taking a lot of restraint for me to move on now. Much can be said about my favorite of animals, the birds but we must move to day 6, 24 ¶ *And God said, "Let the earth bring forth the living creature after his kind: cattle and creeping thing and beast of the earth after his kind"; and it was so.*25 *And God made the beast of the earth after his kind, and cattle after their kind, and every thing that creepeth upon the earth after his kind; and God saw that it was good.*26 ¶ *And God said, "Let Us make man in Our image, after Our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth."*27 *So God created man in His own image, in the image of God created He him; male and female created He them.*28 *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."*29 ¶ *And God said, "Behold, I have given you every herb bearing seed which is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree in which is the fruit of a tree yielding seed; to you it shall be for meat.*30 *And to every beast of the earth, and to every fowl of the air, and to every thing that creepeth upon the earth wherein there is life, I have given every green herb for meat"; and it was so.*31 ¶ *And God saw every thing that He had made, and behold, it was very good. And the evening and the morning were the sixth day.*

We see here the creation of three categories of animals: beasts of the earth, cattle and creeping things. These “creeping things” probably include not just snakes and lizards and things like that but extends to anything that creeps and crawls on the ground...from insects to short-legged animals like rabbits. The cattle probably mean the animals that can be tamed, horses, dogs, etc. Thirdly, the beasts of the earth would include larger animals that are usually not tamed, tigers, giraffes, rhinos, hippos, etc. In other words, this categories include the rest of the animals beyond the fish and sea creatures. There is no indication in the text here that there is any progression from one animal to another, the text can only be understood as these animals being created instantaneously and not through some evolutionary change process.

Finally, we have creation of the crown of God’s creation on day six, mankind. This creation not *only* indicates the

origin of humans but the origin of *personhood*. There is a major shift of language here, it has been “Let there be, Let there be...” Now it gets personal, it says, “Let us make...” God introduces Himself personally in plural language, indicating in no uncertain terms that He is a trinity. Mankind is created, it says four times “in the image of God.” This is the origin of a relationship with man and His creator. He is separate from the animals in that he is self-conscious with the ability to understand right from wrong and with the capacity to have fellowship with the Creator. Although mankind may be made up of the same components of the physical world around him the truest part of man is not reduced to a chemical formula, it is not found in DNA.

Finally, we see here the proclamation that “it was *very good*.” Like I said before, this is quite a statement for God, whose goodness is beyond our comprehension. This is important because many have tried to fit evolution in this chapter and in doing so you must insert death, disease and struggle...this is impossible in a creation that God calls “very good.”

This brings us to day 7, Genesis 2:1 ¶ *“Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all the host of them.2 And on the seventh day God ended His work which He had made; and He rested on the seventh day from all His work which He had made.3 And God blessed the seventh day and sanctified it, because in it He had rested from all His work which God created and made.”*

God rested. We know that this does not mean that God was fatigued or weary in any way but rather it was a pause for Him to delight in His works. For example, in Isaiah 40:28, *“28 Hast thou not known? Hast thou not heard, that the everlasting God, the LORD, the Creator of the ends of the earth, fainteth not, neither is weary? There is no searching of His understanding.”*

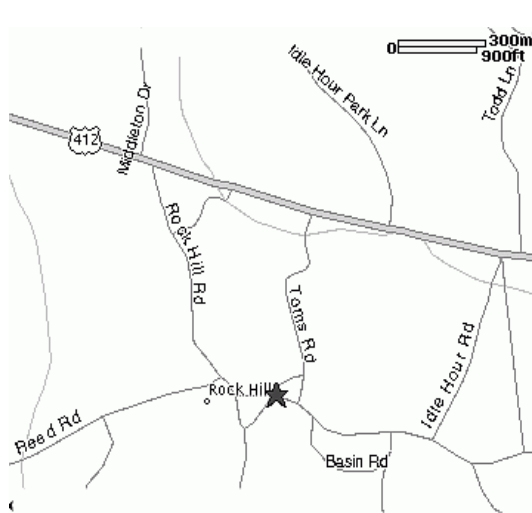
Some who believe in an old earth make the claim that we are living “in the day of rest.” This is not true for several reasons. First, the word “rested” is in the past tense indicating a completed action. But perhaps the most obvious reason is seen in verse three, “Then God blessed the seventh day and sanctified it...” God certainly did not bless the sin of Adam but, just the opposite, He cursed it.

Now, briefly, I want to explain that, some claim that Genesis chapters one and two represent a separate account of creation. But Jesus refutes this in Matt. 19:4-5. In this passage He quoted from both Gen. 1:27 and 2:24, He certainly didn’t indicate that they were separate accounts.

In conclusion, tonight, we must be prepared to defend the creation/biblical model of beginnings in Genesis. It is the key to understanding our purpose and destiny.

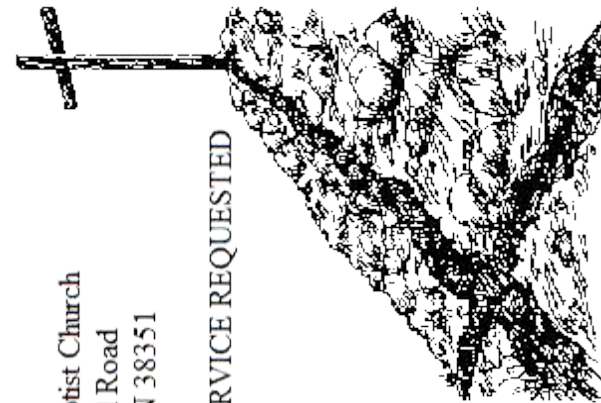
I have defined for you the two models of origin and have shown that the biblical account of origins will not fit with evolution. Tomorrow, I will show that not only is

the creation model Scripturally sound, but it is logically and scientifically far superior than the evolution model.



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