

Lesson Four

What Does the Bible Teach about Creation and Preservation?

1. How was the world made?

Genesis 1:1-3 The World, the Universe was created by the power of His Word

Hebrews 11:3 We understand this to be the case by faith. It was His command.

Exodus 20:11 This is six day creation. Creation Science carried much more support in the geologic and fossil record than Evolution Science. In formal debate, Creation Science has won every time (God wrote these words with His own finger in 24:12)

2. What did God make on each day?

1 (Gen. 1:3-5) Light – night and day (note that verse two tells us that the earth existed)

2 (Gen. 1:6-8) sky - heaven

3 (Gen. 1:9-13) separated land from water and made vegetation

4 (Gen. 1:14-19) Sun and Moon and “the stars also.”

5 (Gen. 1:20-23) Birds and then fish (note the contradiction to evolutionary theory

6 (Gen. 1:24-27) Mammals and then Mankind

3. How did God create humanity?

Genesis 2:7 breathed life into us. God was personally involved (everything was very good) there is a fundamental difference between mankind and the rest of creation in that we have been given the responsibility to take care of creation. No other animal has that responsibility. Even though we have a common bio-makeup there is an accountability difference we are not simply animals of a different kind

Genesis 2:18-25 Adam’s Rib : Shows a partnership. By the way a Rib grows back. It is the only bone to do so.

Genesis 1:26-27 Both were created in God’s image, the crown of creation.

What does "the image of God" mean? Spiritual perfection: no flaw and in concert with God’s moral stature and holiness.

Does mankind still have the image of God? No

How does a life of faith in Christ, that is, trusting His work on the cross *pro me*, affect our living?

Colossians 3:10 To return to the Image of God in Christ and this by faith alone.

Ephesians 4:24 Put on the new self. 2 Cor 5:17 0 restoration

4. How does God preserve what He has created?

Hebrews 1:3 by His word Gen. 1:28 through our responsible stewardship (dominion)

Psalms 145: 15, 16 He gives abundantly

5. What do we owe our heavenly Father for all of this?

Psalms 118:1 Give thanks to God

Psalms 116:12-14 to live in faith – to trust Him

1 Peter 5:7 Give Him your anxieties

Gen. 32:10 to trust Him above all things