

Gen. 1:1
"Biblical Creation"

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1. Introduction

a. Opening verse in Bible

- some people call Bible full of human myths
- mythology: stories people tell about human origins

b. "But God says..."

- most simple thing God says
- Genesis means "beginning"
- genesis very similar to genetics (building blocks of all life)

c. Next two chapters covers God creating the universe, earth, & humans

- physical universe & earth (1:1-1:25)
- human kind (1:26-2:3)

d. Further details about creation & human life

- unique water cycle (2:4-2:6)
- Garden of Eden (2:8-2:14)
- Human life (2:7, 2:15-2:25)

e. Human time (as we understand time) is in Gen 1:1

- "In the beginning": time zero or time starts
- countdown of Days 1-7 in chapter 1

f. All human societies & civilizations have stories of beginnings

- often called "creation myths"

2. Bible's Testimony

a. God speaking to Job - Job 38:4

- context Job 38:1-18 God answers Job's questions with "Where were you in the beginning?"

b. Faith gives understanding in God's Word

- Heb 11:3 Who do you believe?
- Ps 33:9 God spoke & it was done
- Ps 90:2 You are God from everlasting past to everlasting future
- * God was there before creation

3. Testimony from Universe

a. Psalm 19:1-3 Song of the heavens

- Heavens declare glory of God

b. ~~Ps 19:1-3~~ Picture of the galaxies

- each galaxy has unique shape

& signature of light & radio signals

- God calls the clusters of stars
each by name

- there is a "glory" (brightness) in
natural creation

- every group of stars unique -

* 1 Cor 15:41

4. Historical Evidence of Conflict

a. Beginning of evil spoiling all the good in God's creation

- Gen 3:1 the Serpent

* "Has God said...?" beginning of
evil kind of doubt

* First lie - Gen 3:4 will not die

* Serpent gives false reasoning

- Gen 3:5 temptation (Rev 12:9)

b. Two things in opposition

- good & evil

- good are true desires

- evil are false desires

- must come to point of decision

c. Humans want know "Where did I come from?"

- Man created in God's image

- Humans try to make sense of
beginnings