

CREATION – FALL – FLOOD

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THEORIES OF CREATION

1) EVOLUTION

Big Bang Theory 1 Peter 3:3-7
Matter is Eternal 1st Law of Thermodynamics
(Fall is 2nd Law of Thermodynamics)

2) CREATION

- a) Theistic Evolution
- b) Day-Age 2 Peter 3:8
Order will not work Gen 1:11-19
- c) Gap Theory Gen 1:2; Jer 4:23-26
Attempt to explain demons and fossils (Problem Rom 5:12-14)
- d) Recent Creation – Literal 7 days within the last 10,000 years
Apparent age/flood – fossil record
Heb 11:3
1:2-3
Col 1:15-17 (vs16 – angels see Gen 2:1 with Job 38:4-11)
Isa 42:5
45:12,18
Mk 13:19 Jesus believed Genesis
Acts 17:22-27, esp vs 26
Why not 7 days

3) TIME – SPACE – MATTER

4) TEXT

- a) The Spirit of God – source of life vs 2
- b) Light without any light generators vs 3-5 Rev 21:23
- c) Vapor Canopy vs 6-8
Collapsed at Flood Gen 7:11-12 (Not just 2 hours)
- d) Kinds were created – genetic variety (NOT micro evolution) vs 12-13

- e) Lights were created with their light hitting the earth at the time that the light generators were created vs 14-19 Isa 40:26

The Purpose For Those Heavenly Bodies

1. to give light on the earth
and
2. to separate day from night
3. for signs, for seasons, days, years
4. they display God's handiwork Ps 19:1

There is no indication that they are for guidance as in astrology.

- f) Birds and Fish were created the same day vs 20-23
(One did not evolve from the other.)
- g) Domestic and Wild Animals were created vs 24-25

- h) Creation of Man Vs 26-31 (Chapter 2:4-25 amplifies chapter 1)

1. Plural form for God is used Gen 5:1-2
2. Image was imparted only to humans.

What does it mean "to be made in the likeness and image of God"?
Sharing in God's communicable attributes: Intellect, emotions, will
(life, personality, truth, wisdom, love, holiness, justice)

Note Gen 9:6 – The image of God is NOT LOST in the Fall!

3. Our purpose was to exercise domain. Heb 2:5-11
4. Man (man & female) in the image of God Vs 27
5. Direction – Not in a commandment form. Vs 28
There is no negative consequence given.
6. The Environment Vs 29-30

- i) Both Man and Beast were vegetarian vs 29-31
Note: Lucifer has not yet fallen Gen 1:31

- j) Creation was completed in 6 days.
All the hosts of both Heaven and Earth

GENESIS Chapter 2:1-3 Overview

Vs 2-3 The seventh day has significance

God will use it as a sign in later times. Ex 31:13,17 Heb 4:1-11
That which existed when God completed His work and rested has
been sought after ever since.

Question: Who did Cain and Seth, etc. marry?

Vs 4-25 Further Detail

Vs 4 This is the account; this is how it was done.

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GENESIS Chapter 3

FALL

Entrance of Sin into the human race Rom 5:12 FF (and death through sin)

Case study of Temptation – James 1:13-16

Blame for sin Not environment

 Not heredity

BUT LUST – under the control of the one exercising it

Vs1 “the serpent was more crafty than...” Rev 20:2

God spoke Gen 1:3, 6etc

Life and order came from “formless & void”

Truth came first

God’s Word came first Gen 2:16-17

Satan spoke Gen 3:1

Death and chaos came

Falsehood comes when truth is abandoned

Or altered

The temptation – Question what God has said

Vs 2 Where did Eve get the command? Gen 2:16-17 followed by vs 21-22;
1 Tim 2:13-14

Vs 3 God’s Word is expanded beyond what He has said

Vs 4-5 You will be like Satan in his then-present state

Satan calls God a liar Gen 2:17

He, himself is the father of lies Jn 8:44

Knowing Good & Evil – Be like God – Divinity

Vs 6 The sin 1 Jn 2::15-17

1. The lust of the flesh – tree was good for food

2. The lust of the eyes – a delight to the eyes

3. Boastful pride of life – was desirable to make one...

She took and ate.

She gave also to...Testing often comes from one who is special

Satan never changes his approach Matt 4:1-11

Vs 7 The consequences Rom 5:16-19 (Note: Paul took the Genesis' Account Literally)

They became ill at ease with each other and with God
Wisdom I never obtained by disobeying God's Word
Prov 1:7 "The fear of the Lord is the beginning of Wisdom"

Vs 8-13 Man's Post Fall relationship with God
Passing of blame

Vs 14-19 Oracles of the Lord

Concerning the Serpent vs 14-15

There will be perpetual struggle between Satan's forces and mankind;
between their offspring (seeds)

Natural man and God's children in their midst

The Woman vs 16

neither pain in childbirth nor being under the man
was God's original intention

The Man vs 17-19

The toil of labor corresponds to the pain of childbirth.

Note: 1) Rather than become like God Gen 3:5 man becomes DUST again.

2) Adam and Eve sinned by eating; they now suffer to eat.

3) Eve manipulated her husband; she now must submit to him.

Vs 20 Man's Response – He tries to live.

Vs 21-24 God's Provision for man in his fallen state

Vs 21 The fruit of man's sin is provided for Gen 3:10 through the shedding of
Blood.

The Creation is drawn into the consequences of man's sin. Rom 8:18-25

Vs 22-24 God's Great Love and Mercy are seen.

He won't allow man to continue forever in this fallen state.

He allows him to die and return to the ground – to be raised later
in a perfected state.