

# UNDERSTANDING THE FOUNDATION: CREATION FROM GENESIS TO REVELATION

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- DOES IT MATTER HOW OLD THE EARTH IS?
- DOES IT MATTER IF THE DAYS OF CREATION ARE 24-HOUR DAYS OR NOT?
- DOES IT MATTER IF ADAM WAS A REAL, OR THE FIRST HUMAN?
- COULDN'T GOD HAVE CREATED BY THE EVOLUTIONARY PROCESS?
- ISN'T THE CREATION ACCOUNT POETIC, GIVING US LICENSE TO INTERPRET AS SCIENCE DEMANDS?
- IS GENESIS HISTORY?
- ISN'T THE GOSPEL THE MAIN THING; SO WHY SHOULD WE MAKE SUCH A BIG DEAL ABOUT GENESIS?
- COULD THE FLOOD HAVE REALLY HAPPENED? IT SEEMS QUITE IMPOSSIBLE.

## QUESTIONS



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TESTIMONY

1. SCRIPTURE BEGINS WITH CREATION
2. JESUS IS THE CREATOR
3. THE CREATION IS FOUND THROUGHOUT SCRIPTURE
4. THE FLOOD IS FOUND THROUGHOUT SCRIPTURE
5. REVELATION MIRRORS GENESIS
6. CONSEQUENCES OF REJECTING THE CREATOR

WHY ARE THE CREATION AND THE  
FLOOD IMPORTANT?



- GENESIS 1:1-2:3, THE CREATION
- GENESIS 3, THE FALL, FIRST PROMISE OF THE MESSIAH
- GENESIS 5, GENEALOGIES
- GENESIS 6-9, THE FLOOD
- GENESIS 10, MORE GENEALOGIES
- GENESIS 11, TOWER OF BABEL
- GENESIS 12-50, START OF THE JEWISH NATION

IMPORTANCE:

(1) SCRIPTURE BEGINS WITH CREATION



- CONSIDER THE GOSPEL OF JOHN
  - JOHN 1:1-3
  - 7 MIRACLES OF CREATION
- COLOSSIANS 1:15-17
- HEBREWS 1:1-2

John 1:1-3. In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. <sup>2</sup> He was with God in the beginning. <sup>3</sup> Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made.

Colossians 1:15-17. He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. <sup>16</sup> For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through him and for him. <sup>17</sup> And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together.

Hebrews 1:1-2. Long ago, at many times and in many ways, God spoke to our fathers by the prophets, <sup>2</sup> but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed the heir of all things, through whom also he created the world.

IMPORTANCE:  
(2) JESUS CHRIST IS THE CREATOR



- **GENESIS 1:1** IN THE BEGINNING, GOD CREATED THE HEAVENS AND THE EARTH.
- **EXODUS 20:11** FOR IN SIX DAYS THE LORD MADE HEAVEN AND EARTH, THE SEA, AND ALL THAT IS IN THEM, AND RESTED ON THE SEVENTH DAY. THEREFORE THE LORD BLESSED THE SABBATH DAY AND MADE IT HOLY.
- **PSALM 8:3** WHEN I LOOK AT YOUR HEAVENS, THE WORK OF YOUR FINGERS, THE MOON AND THE STARS, WHICH YOU HAVE SET IN PLACE,
- **PSALM 19:1** THE HEAVENS DECLARE THE GLORY OF GOD, AND THE SKY ABOVE PROCLAIMS HIS HANDIWORK.
- **HEBREWS 11:3** BY FAITH WE UNDERSTAND THAT THE UNIVERSE WAS CREATED BY THE WORD OF GOD, SO THAT WHAT IS SEEN WAS NOT MADE OUT OF THINGS THAT ARE VISIBLE.
- **REVELATION 14:7** AND HE SAID WITH A LOUD VOICE, "FEAR GOD AND GIVE HIM GLORY, BECAUSE THE HOUR OF HIS JUDGMENT HAS COME, AND WORSHIP HIM WHO MADE HEAVEN AND EARTH, THE SEA AND THE SPRINGS OF WATER."

IMPORTANCE:

(3) CREATION IS FOUND THROUGHOUT SCRIPTURE



- **GENESIS 6-9**
- **PSALM 104:6-7** YOU COVERED IT WITH THE DEEP AS WITH A GARMENT; THE WATERS STOOD ABOVE THE MOUNTAINS. AT YOUR REBUKE THEY FLED; AT THE SOUND OF YOUR THUNDER THEY TOOK TO FLIGHT.
- **PSALM 29** HEBREW WORD MABUL
- **ISAIAH 54:9** "THIS IS LIKE THE DAYS OF NOAH TO ME: AS I SWORE THAT THE WATERS OF NOAH SHOULD NO MORE GO OVER THE EARTH, SO I HAVE SWORN THAT I WILL NOT BE ANGRY WITH YOU, AND WILL NOT REBUKE YOU."
- **MATTHEW 24:38-39 (PP, LUKE 17:27)** FOR AS IN THOSE DAYS BEFORE THE FLOOD THEY WERE EATING AND DRINKING, MARRYING AND GIVING IN MARRIAGE, UNTIL THE DAY WHEN NOAH ENTERED THE ARK, AND THEY WERE UNAWARE UNTIL THE FLOOD CAME AND SWEEPED THEM ALL AWAY, SO WILL BE THE COMING OF THE SON OF MAN.
- **2 PETER 2:5** IF HE DID NOT SPARE THE ANCIENT WORLD, BUT PRESERVED NOAH, A HERALD OF RIGHTEOUSNESS, WITH SEVEN OTHERS, WHEN HE BROUGHT A FLOOD UPON THE WORLD OF THE UNGODLY;
- **2 PETER 3:6** AND THAT BY MEANS OF THESE THE WORLD THAT THEN EXISTED WAS DELUGED WITH WATER AND PERISHED.

**IMPORTANCE:**

**(4) THE FLOOD IS FOUND THROUGHOUT SCRIPTURE**



Genesis, book of beginnings		Revelation, book of the end	
1	Creation of heavens and earth	21	Creation of new heavens and earth
1	Night and Day	22	No more night
1	Sun and stars for light	22	God will be our light (no more sun)
1	Waters called "seas"	21	No more "seas"
2	Beautiful Garden of Eden	21	Beautiful city of gold
2	Marriage of Adam and Eve	19	Marriage of the Lamb
2	River coming out of the Garden	22	River coming out of the Throne
2	Tree of Life	22	Tree of Life
3	Death	22	No more death
3	Entrance of sin	21	End of sin
3	The Curse	22	No more curse
3	Tree of Life guarded	22	Free access to Tree of Life

IMPORTANCE:  
(5) REVELATION MIRRORS GENESIS



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- <sup>19</sup> FOR WHAT CAN BE KNOWN ABOUT GOD IS PLAIN TO THEM, BECAUSE GOD HAS SHOWN IT TO THEM. <sup>20</sup> FOR HIS INVISIBLE ATTRIBUTES, NAMELY, HIS ETERNAL POWER AND DIVINE NATURE, HAVE BEEN CLEARLY PERCEIVED, EVER SINCE THE CREATION OF THE WORLD, IN THE THINGS THAT HAVE BEEN MADE. SO THEY ARE WITHOUT EXCUSE... <sup>24</sup> THEREFORE GOD GAVE THEM UP IN THE LUSTS OF THEIR HEARTS TO IMPURITY, TO THE DISHONORING OF THEIR BODIES AMONG THEMSELVES, <sup>25</sup> BECAUSE THEY EXCHANGED THE TRUTH ABOUT GOD FOR A LIE AND WORSHIPED AND SERVED THE CREATURE RATHER THAN THE CREATOR, WHO IS BLESSED FOREVER! AMEN... <sup>29</sup> THEY WERE FILLED WITH ALL MANNER OF UNRIGHTEOUSNESS, EVIL, COVETOUSNESS, MALICE. THEY ARE FULL OF ENVY, MURDER, STRIFE, DECEIT, MALICIOUSNESS. THEY ARE GOSSIPS, <sup>30</sup> SLANDERERS, HATERS OF GOD, INSOLENT, HAUGHTY, BOASTFUL, INVENTORS OF EVIL, DISOBEDIENT TO PARENTS, <sup>31</sup> FOOLISH, FAITHLESS, HEARTLESS, RUTHLESS...

IMPORTANCE:

(6) CONSEQUENCES OF REJECTING THE CREATOR



- SCRIPTURE IS OUR FOUNDATION. DON'T LET OTHERS DUPE YOU INTO BELIEVING SOMETHING THAT IS CONTRARY TO SCRIPTURE.
- STUDY SCRIPTURE CAREFULLY AND KNOW WHAT IT SAYS.
- WORSHIP THE CREATOR!
- CHOOSE A MINISTRY/PROFESSION WHERE YOU DISPLAY TO OTHERS THE FOUNDATIONAL TRUTH OF GOD'S WORD
- STAND FIRM!
- WATCH FILM: *Is GENESIS HISTORY?*

YOUR RESPONSE?