

### Christ The Rock Church

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## GENESIS

Origins

## Genesis Chapter One

#### Questions of Life

- 1) Who am I?
- 2) Where did I come from?
  - 3) What's my purpose?
  - 4) Where do I go next?

#### Questions of the week

God created Adam from the 'dust' of the ground. Why didn't God create Eve the same way?

#### Questions

First Adam – Last Adam Adam was put to sleep = death His side was opened He was wounded and his blood was shed From that wound his bride was taken. In the same way, Christ died, had His side pierced, and from that His Bride, the church, is produced. Adam said that Eve was bone of his bone and flesh of his flesh (Genesis 2:23), so the church is the body, flesh, and bone of Christ (see Ephesians 5:30).

## Still laying our foundation

Why study Genesis?

#### November 24, 1859

#### THE ORIGIN OF SPECIES

BY MEANS OF NATURAL SELECTION,

OR THE

PRESERVATION OF FAVOURED RACES IN THE STRUGGLE FOR LIFE.

#### BY CHARLES DARWIN, M.A.,

FELLOW OF THE ROYAL, GEOLOGICAL, LINNÆAN, ETC., SOCIETIES;
AUTHOR OF 'JOURNAL OF RESEARCHES DURING H. M. S. BEAGLE'S VOYAGE
ROUND THE WORLD.'

LONDON:
JOHN MURRAY, ALBEMARLE STREET.
1859.

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#### Man's Word or God's Word?

It's been 164 years since publication of Darwin's Origin of the Species. Many Christians don't know what to do with the clear contradiction between what the world teaches as **Evolutionary thought** versus Creationism. If the evolution of life happened through nothing but natural processes, then what we are doing here is pointless. We're talking about a fairy tale.

#### Scientists are People Too...

The problem isn't science – it's scientists: they are human and interpret data with bias' and presuppositions – just like you and me.

Let's try and check our own bias's at the door (as best we can).

#### Context

Genesis does not seek to refute Evolutionary Cosmology, nor does it try to 'prove' the existence of God. Genesis was written long before these systems were developed by Satan. These later 'Doctrines of Demons' were developed to confuse or replace God's true Creation account.

#### Genesis 1:1-2

In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth. 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.

#### Genesis 1:1-2

Literal: God says what He means and means what He says,

or,

Allegorical: spiritualize the text

2 Tim. 3:16; 2 Pet. 1:21

#### The Book Itself

Who: The Holy Spirit thru Moses (Ex. 17:14; 24:4; 34:27; Num. 33:1-2; Deut. 31:9-11; John 5:45-47; 7:19; Acts 3:22; Mark 12:26; Rom. 10:5)

What: The Origin of all created Things
When: Coming out of Egypt in the wilderness
wanderings

#### The Book Itself

Where: Wilderness Prior to Entrance into Land of Canaan

Why: Set the record straight (Pagan Writings), detail major doctrines

#### But there was no written Language in Moses Day

Ralph Linton, *The Tree of Culture*, 1955 (Evolutionary Anthropologist, non-Christian)

Quote, "Writing appears almost simultaneously some 5,000-6,000 years ago in Egypt, Mesopotamia and the Indus Valley."

#### Anthropology & Archeology

Nelson Glueck, Rivers in the Desert, 1959

(Preemminent Archeologist, also non-Christian)

Quote, "It may be stated categorically that no archeological discovery has ever controverted a Biblical reference. Scores of archeological findings have been made which confirm ... historical statements in the Bible"

#### Genesis 1:1

Literal 24-hour days?
Six literal days for creation?
or,

Gap Theory: A 'day' is an 'age' of time Theistic evolution: God created matter then 'backed off'

#### Gap Theory

Genesis 1:1 describes the original creation—perfect.

Between verses 1 and 2, Satan rebelled in heaven and was cast out. Satan's rebellion brought about its "formless and empty" state. The length of time involved—the size of the "gap"—is not specified but could have lasted millions of years.

#### Gap Theory

Developed by Thomas Chalmers, Scottish Theologian (and Masonic Lodge Member), in 1814. This as not the historical position of the church.

Refuted by: Gen. 1:5, 31; 2:2-3, 8; Exodus 20:11; Heb. 4:4; Rom. 5:12; 1 Cor. 15:21; Ezek. 28:12-15

#### Gap Theory Problem

Puts death before sin (fossil record)

Means Satan rebelled before day 7, yet God said all His creation was "very good"! (Satan/Angels part of creation – rebellion couldn't be "good")

#### Day-Age Theory

The "days" spoken of in the first chapter of Genesis are sequential periods and not literal, 24hour days. Each day, therefore, is thought to represent a much longer, albeit undefined, period of time, such as a million or more years.

#### Day-Age Problem

Day 3: Vegetation/Plants

Day 4: The Sun – for photosynthesis

Day 5: Insects – for pollination

Millions of years between these days creates a problem

#### Theistic Evolution

#### Wide spectrum:

- 1) God created all matter then 'back off' and let it happen
- 2) God created all matter then used constant miracles to guide the evolutionary process

#### Theistic Evolution Problem

Theistic evolutionists typically believe that the geologic column containing the fossil record represents long epochs of time. Since man does not appear until late in the fossil record, theistic evolutionists believe many creatures lived, died, and became extinct long before man's belated arrival. This means that physical death, at least for animals, existed before Adam and his sin.

#### My Bias: Young Earth Creationism

God directly created the universe in six literal days. The age of the earth is approximately 6,000 years old. There was a global flood in Noah's day Created with 'age' (but not pre-existing fossils). Creation had a single continent before the flood (Pangea).

#### Genesis 1:1

# In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth.

#### Genesis 1:1

Latin: Universe

'Uni': single

'Verse': spoken sentence

Chapter 1: "and God said"

Chapter 2: "these are the generations of"

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## There Aughta Be A Law

# First Law of Thermodynamics Matter cannot be created or destroyed Meaning:

1) Somebody made the world,

or,

2) The world made itself

#### Big Bang

20 billion years ago all the matter in the universe was concentrated into one very hot, dense area the size of the head of a pen. The Big Bang does not seek to explain the origin of this matter, simply how it expanded into the present universe.

Evolution is a faith-based religion supported by your tax dollars.

#### It's The Law

Where did the natural laws come from?

Gravity

Centrifugal Force

Inertia, etc.

And why aren't they still evolving?

#### Law of Conservation of Angular Momentum

Universe began as a spinning dot

Cosmic dust migrated and gathered on the head of that pen (matter)

Exploded and spun the galaxies, stars, planets into existence.

Everything in cosmos should be spinning in same direction

But

#### Law of Conservation of Angular Momentum

Venus, Uranus and Pluto spins backwards from the other planets in our solar system

8 out of 91 known moons spin backwards

Jupiter, Saturn & Neptune have moons spinning in both directions

Why do some entire galaxies spin backwards?

So Elohim could disprove the Big Bang

#### How Old is the Earth

Billions of years or 6000 years (Genealogies)

Jesus said, "have you not read that He who created them from the beginning made them male and female." Matthew 19:4

You don't see one kind of animal changing into another

You don't see life producing new information

You don't see matter producing life by natural processes

How do you get people to believe in an impossible process? You must have millions of years

George Ewald, *The Origin of Life*, Scientific American, 191, No. 48.

"Time itself is the hero of the plot. What we regard as impossible based on human experience is meaningless here. Given so much time, the "impossible" becomes possible, the possible probable, and the probable virtually certain."

Charles Darwin, On the Origin of Species by Means of Natural Selection, or the Preservation of Favored Races in the Struggle for Life (his work was rejected by the scientists in his day. Then came into favor. Now being rejected again.

The Descent of Man (1871), Darwin ranked races in terms of what he believed was their nearness and likeness to gorillas. Then he went on to propose the extermination of races he "scientifically" defined as inferior.

Chapter 6, Origin of Species,

"Long before having arrived at this part of my work, a crowd of difficulties will have occurred to the reader. Some of them are so grave that to this day I can never reflect on them without being staggered."

## Chapter on **Instinct**,

"Such simple instincts as bees making a beehive could be sufficient to overthrow my whole theory."

And,

"The eye could evolve by natural selection seems, I freely confess, absurd in the highest possible degree."

on imperfections in the geological record, he complained that the complete lack of fossil intermediates in all geological records was perhaps, quote,

"the most obvious and gravest objection which can be urged against my theory."

## In his personal letters

Darwin wrote about having awful misgivings of "having deluded myself and devoted myself to a fantasy." (or doctrines of demons)

"I am determined to escape from design and a personal God at all costs."

## Buyers Remorse

So what: God's Word (Genesis 1) vs. Man's Word (Darwin)

What has changed since 1859 (the advancement of technology and science disproving evolution)

## Buyers Remorse

"Theory" of Evolution" (never "proven") – and now discredited by advances in:

- **♦**Biology
- **♦**Cosmology
- Anthropology
- **♦**Geology

## Romans 1:28

And just as they did not see fit (God gives you the choice) to acknowledge God any longer (does He exist – is He creator), God gave them over to a depraved mind, to do those things which are not proper,

# 2 Peter 3:5

For when they maintain this, it escapes their notice that by the word of God the heavens existed long ago and the earth was formed out of water and by water

# 2 Thess. 2:11-12

For this reason God will send upon them a deluding influence so that they will believe what is false, 12 in order that they all may be judged who did not believe the truth, but took pleasure in wickedness.

## We Are We to Do - Application

- 1. God says what He means and means what He says (creation account).
- 2. Be a critical thinker (check bias's)
- 3. God is Creator=Sustainer=Lord