

Session 1 | Dr. Randy White | Genesis 1-2

1. Creation was done by a pre-existent God - Genesis 1:1
2. Creation was done by a single God of multiple persons - Genesis 1:1, 26
3. Creation is an act of God alone
4. The Biblical account of creation is done in six “day and night” days.
 - The Hebrew word “evening” is used 134 times in the Hebrew Scriptures, and always means “evening.”
 - The Hebrew word “morning” is used 214 times in the Hebrew Scriptures, and always means “morning.”
 - Ps 55.17 is a perfect example of what “evening” and “morning” are.
 - The days are defined in Genesis 1:4-5.
5. The Biblical account of creation prohibits an evolutionary view of creation. The two theories are mutually exclusive.
 - If evolution is correct, Adam and Eve cannot be read as literal.
 - If evolution is correct, Adam was born, not created.
 - If evolution is correct, most of us are not descended from Adam.
 - If evolution is correct, Adam’s sin was not the first sin.
 - If evolution is correct, the curse of Genesis 3 didn’t change anything on the physical earth.
 - If evolution is correct, death didn’t enter into the world with sin (in contrast to Romans 5:12).
 - If evolution is correct, the Bible isn’t.
6. God created “lights in the expanse of the heavens” that served as both signs (informational) and seasons (chronological measurements).
 - If God created the lights for informational purposes, we ought to be able to read something of that information out of Scripture and out of a historical study of the night sky.
7. God created man, fully developed, in His own image, for the purpose of ruling over all of His creation.
 - This affects your worldview concerning the relationship of man to his environment.
 - The idea that man is bad for the earth is unbiblical.
7. God placed man in a garden with perfect provisions and a perfect relationship with God.
 - In the garden there was no sickness, death, or scarcity.
8. God created man for a sexual union with a woman, for the purpose of subduing the earth. Genesis 1:27-28.
 - The word “replenish” is translated as “fill” 107 times in the Hebrew Scriptures, as in 1:22.
 - Man as a-sexual or homosexual is a perversion of our created purpose.
9. God did not create man “for fellowship” or “for His glory.” These are man-made ideas that are not read from the text.
 - Both of these ideas presuppose a “needy” God.
 - God was filled with all glory before man was created, and He has no *need* for fellowship outside of Himself.
 - The *fellowship* and *glory* purpose leads to a life of mysticism and lack of productivity.
10. Until the dominion of man is full, the purpose of creation will not be fulfilled.
 - Psalm 8:6 describes man’s purpose and is fulfilled in the Second Adam, Jesus Christ.