



"And this is the commandment we have from Him, that the one who loves God should love his brother also." 1 John 4: 21

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## ***Heart to Heart...***

Over the years I have had brethren in different places share with me things they believed about the creation of God. Sometimes we are listening to others and not leaning on the reliability of Scripture. Let's go over a few facts from "***In the beginning God created the heavens and earth.***" (Genesis 1:1)

From the above verse we find that *God did create everything!* Most have no problem with that. But from here things seem to start going astray for some.

*God created everything by six literal 24 hours days!* God is the Creator of time also. In Exodus 20:11, Moses states that it was six days that "***the Lord made the heavens and the 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.***" In Exodus 31:15-17, Moses lays out before the people about the six days of creation and the seventh day Sabbath. When we are given an evening and a morning of each day of creation in Genesis 1, the Lord was speaking of one literal day. Why people want to argue this or turn it into something else is amazing, if you believe God's word.

*Adam was the first man created!* Man NEVER evolved from an organism or animal. God made ALL living creatures after their kind. From cattle, to creeping things, beasts of the earth and yes, that includes monkeys (Genesis 1:24-25)! Paul told the Corinthians that "***all flesh is not the same flesh, but there is one flesh of men, and another flesh of beasts and another flesh of birds and another of the fish.***" (I Corinthians 15:39) Adam was the first man and Eve was the first woman created from the rib of man (Genesis 2:18-25). I know to some this is elementary but there are those who are trying to lead us into believing something different.

*Man is in need of a Savior!* Genesis 3:15 speaks that man will be redeemed because sin has made a separation between us and God. That's the theme of God's word: man needs redeeming by a Savior. Jesus would be that Savior. We can look at Luke 3:23-38 and trace Jesus the Savior to Adam.

*The inspired writers of the New Testament Scripture believed the accuracy of the Genesis account!* Seventeen of the twenty-seven New Testament writings quote from the book of Genesis, in particular the first eleven chapters. All eight New Testament writers quote from these first eleven chapters of Genesis. Jesus in His earthly ministry quoted from the first seven chapters of Genesis. (It would do you good to look into this if you doubt it!)

The content of Genesis is literal and accurate! Our children are being told over and over that there are other explanations of how things came into being and their structure. Parents, teach your children to trust the word of God, not some operation of a naturalistic, universal process of godless development and progress. It didn't happen by chance and there was no evolving. It's been said if you teach a lie long

enough, it will be believed. God's word is no lie, but it is the truth from heaven for man to be saved. God's word is accurate, holy and reveals a power for living daily. That's what we need to wrap our lives around! That's what we need to show our children, grandchildren and great grandchildren. TEACH, TEACH AND TEACH! Think about it!!!

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