

## **Genesis 1 The Creation Hymn**

**Genesis 1:1 “In The Beginning God Created ...” If we will assume that the Bible is just what it says it is and what it appears to be, and study its books to know their contents, we will find a whole series of books: that bears on the face of it the stamp of its Author; We will learn that the Bible is, in a unique and distinctive way THE WORD OF GOD.**

**As Peter says cf:**

**II Peter 1:21 For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man: but holy men of God spake as they were moved by the Holy Ghost.**

**The “enlightened, modern” present-day view, held rather widely in most University and modern “Bible College” circles, is that the Bible is a sort of age-long story of man’s effort to find God: a record of man’s experiences reaching after God, gradually improving his idea of God by building on the experiences of preceding generations.**

**When it is said God spoke ... they say: God did not really speak; but men put their ideas in language professing to be the words of God, while in reality it was only what men imagined about God.**

**Thus the bible is reduced and made to appear as: not a Divine book, but a human book, pretending to be Divine.**

**II Timothy 3:16-17 All scripture Is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: 17 That the man of God may be perfect, throughly furnished unto all good works.**

**We reject this human theory. We believe the Bible to be an account of God’s effort to reveal Himself to man: God’s own record of His dealings with men, The Bible is His unfolding revelation of Himself to humanity. The Bible teaches: God Himself directed and dictated the writing of the Bible which is a book, with human authors so completely under His control that the writing was the writing of God.**

**The Bible was composed by many authors, over a period of many centuries, yet one Book ... It is the outstanding Miracle of the Ages.**

**Genesis 1: This marvelous chapter is not history, for it provides information concerning events that antedate all history. It is not myth, because it carries within it a credibility that never belonged to any myth. It is not science, because it deals with the BEGINNING, which no science has ever even attempted to describe. It is INSPIRATION, a revelation from Almighty God Himself; and the highest and best intelligence of all ages has so received and accepted it. This chapter contains and presents to human intelligence the ONLY believable account of creation ever to receive the serious attention of thoughtful human minds.**

**Genesis 1:1 "In the beginning ..."**

**Does not mean that there was nothing before that event because:**

**John 17:24 Father, I will that they also, whom thou hast given me, be with me where I am; that they may behold my glory, which thou hast given me: for thou lovedst me before the foundation of the world.**

**John 17:5 And now, O Father, glorify thou me with thine own self with the glory which I had with thee before the world was.**

**Titus 1:2 In hope of eternal life, which God, that cannot lie, promised before the world began;**

**II Timothy 1:9 Who hath saved us, and called [us] with an holy calling, not according to our works, but according to his own purpose and grace, which was given us in Christ Jesus before the world began,**

**I Peter 1:18-20 Forasmuch as ye know that ye were not redeemed with corruptible things, [as] silver and gold, from your vain conversation [received] by tradition from your fathers; 19 But with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without**

**spot: 20 Who verily was foreordained before the foundation of the world, but was manifest in these last times for you,**

**Ephesians 1:4 According as he hath chosen us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before him in love:**

**This is not Evolution but rather a foreordained plan in the mind of God.**

**Gen 1:1 In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth.**

**"In the beginning ..."** This says nothing at all of when the beginning occurred, but declares emphatically that there was indeed a beginning, a fact which no reputable science on earth has ever denied. The source of that beginning was in the will and the power of the Eternal God. It was not merely a beginning of life, or of material things, but a beginning of ALL THINGS.

**"God created ..."** The word for "God" here is "[~'*Elohiym*]," a plural term, and by far the most frequent designation of the Supreme Being in the O.T., being used almost 2,000 times. Despite the plurality of this name, it is connected with verbs and adjectives in the singular. Thus, in the very first verse of the Bible there would appear to be embedded embryonically in the very name of God Himself a suggestion: (1) of the Trinitarian conception more fully revealed in the N.T., and (2) also a witness of the unity of the Godhead.

**The Bible gives facts; it does not theorize or philosophize. It does not speculate. The Bible opens with the doctrine of God. Without discussing the being of God, this opening statement makes God "The Author of Creation". "Created" Comes from the Hebrew word *baraw*' a singular verb meaning absolute to create, do, make by Divine Fiat. Webster's Dictionary says about Fiat: "A command or act of will that creates something without or as if without further effort". Create is**

**therefore to make out of nothing using no matter or raw materials by Fiat. How? By faith.**

**Hebrews 11:3 Through faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God, so that things which are seen were not made of things which do appear.**

**If you accept the big bang theory, I have a question for you:**

**Where did the original matter come from that exploded into the big bang? "In the beginning ..." would go back beyond the big bang by saying: God created out of nothing, by Faith, ... the primal stuff the Big Bang theory came from.**

**"Who Made God?" Every child asks this question. Either the world has been in existence Always, or, it was Made out of Nothing; one or the other; yet we can conceive of neither. Our Galaxy contains 30 billion suns. The Milky Way is shaped like a thin watch, and is 200 thousand light years across! Yet there are hundreds of millions or even billions of Galaxies.**

**Because of the Hubble space telescope we can now understand what God was saying when He promised Abraham: "I will multiply thy seed as the stars of heaven and the sand upon the seashore". There really are as many stars in heaven as grains of sand upon the seashore.**

**Genesis 1:1 In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth.**

**"The heaven ..." There are three heavens visible in the Word of God, these being: (1) the earth's atmosphere, where "birds of the heaven" fly (Jeremiah 15:3); (2) the heaven of the galaxies and constellations (Isaiah 13:10); and (3) the heaven where God dwells (Psalms 11:4).**

**"The heaven ..." in this verse Genesis 1:1 here includes the first two and perhaps others of which we do not know.**

**"And the earth ..."** If our understanding of "the heavens" is correct, the earth and all the planets would have to be included also, but the singling out of the earth and its specific designation here would indicate God's special creation of it to be the repository of all life, and of human life particularly. That such a special creation of the earth did indeed occur appears to be absolutely certain, as attested by the utter failure of man to discover any evidence whatever of life anywhere else except upon earth.

**Genesis 1:2** 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.

**"And the earth was without form, and void ..."** This refers to the state of the earth in the first phase of its creation, and it is also an apt description of the other planets as we are able to observe them in our solar system today. Mars, Venus, Mercury, etc. are still waste and void. It is not necessary to postulate billions of years between Genesis 1:1 and Genesis 1:2 in order to help God find the time to do all that He did for our earth.

**"... and darkness was upon the face of the deep ..."** The big thing that appears in this verse is the abundant water supply, one of the principle prerequisites of life in any form. This water supply was evidently part of the special creation benefiting our earth, making the passage a further detail of God's creating the earth.

**"... And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters ..."** Significantly, the Third Person of the Godhead appears here alongside God Himself. The term for "moved" actually means "brooded" as in the older versions; and it means "to be tremulous with love."

**Genesis 1:3** And God said, Let there be light: and there was light.

**Primeval darkness demands light at creation. The language here indicates that the stupendous acts of Creation were performed by fiat. God spoke the word, and it was done. The word: "Said" is the Word of God - Jesus, and the Apostle John says of the Word:**

**John 1:1 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.**

**The word existed before anything was formed; this proves Jesus was no part of creation. He pre-existed and therefore what was before creation must be eternal.**

**"... Was the Word ..." in the literal Greek it is: "Existed the Logos".**

**John 1:2 The same was in the beginning with God.**

**Proving Jesus is not a subordinate being or, in second place, to God.**

**John 1:3 All things were made by him; and without him was not anything made that was made.**

**Made is to create and create is causing a thing to exist that before had no existence. Jesus is the Divine spoken word of God which created all things and He has pre-existed with God for all eternity.**

**John 1:4 In him was life; and the life was the light of men.**

**Not natural life but eternal life. John also says: cf:**

**I John 5:11 And this is the record, that God hath given to us eternal life, and this life is in his Son.**

**John 1:5 And the light shineth in darkness; and the darkness comprehended it not.**

**This is both the heathen world, and Jewish people, for the Old Testament prophets were a lamp, beacon and lighthouse for the world.**

**The next couple of verses are about John the Baptist now - Verse 8**

**John 1:8 He was not that Light, but was sent to bear witness of that Light.**

**John 1:9 That was the true Light, which lighteth every man that cometh into the world.**

**Jesus Christ is the spring and fountain that illuminates any who are being illuminated.**

**“Cometh into the world” is just a common Rabbic saying meaning being born.**

**John 1:10 He was in the world, and the world was made by him, and the world knew him not.**

**... the world knew him not.” Did not acknowledge Him ... The Jewish rulers knew full well He was a teacher sent from God.**

**Immediately after Jesus raised Lazarus from the dead in fulfillment of Isaiah 26 the Jews called a “council” cf:**

**John 11:47-50 Then gathered the chief priests and the Pharisees a council, and said, What do we? for this man doeth many miracles. 48 If we let him thus alone, all [men] will believe on him: and the Romans shall come and take away both our place and nation. 49 And one of them, [named] Caiaphas, being the high priest that same year, said unto them, Ye know nothing at all, 50 Nor consider that it is expedient for us, that one man should die for the people, and that the whole nation perish not.**

**John 1:11 He came unto his own, and his own received him not.**

**Those of His own creation, family, city, country, people, citizens, brethren and subjects ...**

**“... His own received Him not ...”**

**John 1:12 But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name:**

**Power to become the sons of God is: the privilege, honor, dignity or ability.**

**John 1:13 Which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God.**

**“Born” is regenerated. Jesus often repeats His obedience to the will of God: Jesus is the One who makes clear the Meaning and Destiny of Human Existence.**

**John 1:14 And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth.**

**Dwelt is literally tabernacled in His bodily house, shrine or temple.**

**John 1:18 No man hath seen God at any time; the only begotten Son, which is in the bosom of the Father, he hath declared him.**

**Moses heard His voice, the children of Israel saw a cloud by day and fire by night and others saw manifestations of His presence.**

**But He who has known Him from before ... in the beginning ...**

**“... He hath declared Him.”**

**Who created the universe? God the Word.**

**Colossians 1:14 In whom we have redemption through his blood, even the forgiveness of sins:**

**Colossians 1:15 Who is the image of the invisible God, the first born of every creature:**

**Image ... is hidden splendor. Jesus is “first born” of the literally Creator not creature, only in the sense that He is the Only Begotten Son of the Father because the next verse says He is the Creator,**

**Colossians 1:16 For by him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by him, and for him:**

**God spoke all things into being by the power of the Logos-Jesus.**

**Col 1:17 And he is before all things, and by him all things consist.**

**“Before all things” ... is He. Jesus existed before all things therefore ... He is Deity. By Him all things consist ... is: Everything has a cause and effect.**

**Therefore a continuation of that power and energy that created all things is necessary for creation to continue.**

**Jesus is thereby the preserver of the cosmos.**

**God is just like Jesus. Jesus is just like God.**

**This passage we are about to read is one of the most magnificent passages in the Bible, having grandeur alongside the opening of Genesis and Gospel of John.**

**Hebrews 1:1 God, who at sundry times and in divers manners spake in time past unto the fathers by the prophets,**

**At sundry times and in divers manners, is literally many apart.**

**Hebrews 1:2 Hath in these last days spoken unto us by His Son, whom he hath appointed heir of all things, by whom also he made the worlds;**

**The Hebrew writer begins with the lesser word to describe Jesus – Son and progress upward. If Jesus made the worlds, what is the**

**nature of Christ, it must be Deity!**

**He can't be a created being if He made the worlds.**

**Hebrews 1:3 Who being the brightness of His glory, and the express image of his person, and upholding all things by the word of his power, when he had by himself purged our sins, sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high;**

**“... Glory ...” in the Greek here is Splendor in itself like our sun; not like our moon that is reflected splendor of the sun.**

**“... upholding all things by the word of his power ...” Each atom of the 102 elements consists of exactly the same three kinds of particles: protons, electrons, and neutrons; all the protons and neutrons of a given kind of atom are located in a central nucleus; all of the electrons, equal in number to the protons, spin on their axes and revolve at relatively great distances from it - rather reminiscent of a miniature solar system, so that most of the volume of the atom is merely empty space, just as is that of the solar system.**

**The spinning of those fantastically small particles approaches the speed of light, 186,000 miles per second; and that has been going on since Creation, without any interruption whatsoever! Why?**

**The only intelligent answer must lie in the fact that Someone has commanded it; and who could such a Someone be, but God?**

**Our logical and inescapable conclusion is not only that creation occurred, but that it was brought about according to the plan and will of a Person endowed with supreme intelligence and knowledge (omniscience), and the power to bring it about and keep it running according to plan (omnipotence), always and everywhere throughout the universe (omnipresence)**

**By Himself purged our sins without help. Cf: Psalm 110:1ff.**

**Hebrews 1:4 Being made so much better than the angels, as he hath by inheritance obtained a more excellent name than they.**

**“Better ...” Christianity is better than the O.T. Pharisees worshiped angels but Jesus is the Son who receives the inheritance.**

**Hebrews 1:5 For unto which of the angels said he at any time, Thou art my Son, this day have I begotten thee? And again, I will be to him a Father, and he shall be to me a Son?**

**Here we have the argument of silence.**

**Where did God say these things? If He did not there is no authority for them cf:**

**Psalm 2:7 and II Samuel 7:12ff.**

**Hebrews 1:6 And again, when he bringeth in the first begotten into the world, he saith, And let all the angels of God worship him.**

**Quotes Psalm 104:4 ...**

**Hebrews 1:7 And of the angels he saith, Who maketh his angels spirits, and his ministers a flame of fire.**

**God makes His angels appear many different ways.**

**Hebrews 1:8 But unto the Son he saith, Thy throne, O God, Is for ever and ever: a sceptre of righteousness is the sceptre of thy kingdom. Here the Hebrew writer quotes cf: Psalm 45:6**

**Hebrews 1:9 Thou hast loved righteousness, and hated iniquity; therefore God, even thy God, hath anointed thee with the oil of gladness above thy fellows. Cf Psalm 45:7**

**Hebrews 1:10 And, Thou, Lord, in the beginning hast laid the foundation of the earth; and the heavens are the works of thine hands:**

**Now he addresses the Son as Lord and Creator.**

**Hebrews 1:11 They shall perish; but thou remainest; and they all shall wax old as doth a garment;**

**Hebrews 1:12 And as a vesture shalt thou fold them up, and they shall be changed: but thou art the same, and thy years shall not fail.**

**Changed, not destroyed or annihilated but be renewed the Greek is made fresh as new heavens and new earth as Peter says cf:**

**II Peter 3:13 Nevertheless we, according to his promise, look for new heavens and a new earth, wherein dwelleth righteousness.**

**Hebrews 1:13 But to which of the angels said he at any time, Sit on my right hand, until I make thine enemies thy footstool?**

**Again this is taken from the argument of silence.**

**He never told the angels that ... He only told His Son Psalm 110:1ff.**

**Hebrews 1:14 Are they not all ministering spirits, sent forth to minister for them who shall be heirs of salvation?**

**Christ is the Fulfillment of the O.T. Law, rather than the administrator.**

**Genesis 1:3 And God said, Let there be light: and there was light.**

**When did history begin? When God the Word spoke it into being.**

**I Corinthians 8:6 But to us there is but one God, the Father, of whom are all things, and we in him; and one Lord Jesus Christ, by whom are all things, and we by him.**

**Gen 1:8 And God called the firmament Heaven. And the evening and the morning were the second day.**

**Again, firmament here means the Atmosphere.**

**Gen 1:9 And God said, Let the waters under the heaven be gathered together unto one place, and let the dry land appear: and it was so.**

**Gen 1:10 And God called the dry Land Earth; and the gathering together of the waters called the Seas: and God saw that it was good.**

**Gen 1:11 And God said, Let the earth bring forth grass, the herb yielding seed, and the fruit tree yielding fruit after his kind, whose seed is in itself, upon the earth: and it was so.**

**Gen 1:12 And the earth brought forth grass, And herb yielding seed after his kind, and the tree yielding fruit, whose seed was in itself, after his kind: and God saw that it was good.**

**Gen 1:13 And the evening and the morning were the third day.**

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**Gen 1:14 And God said, Let there be lights in the firmament of the heaven to divide the day from the night; and let them be for signs, and for seasons, and for days, and years:**

**Gen 1:15 And let them be for lights in the firmament of the heaven to give light upon the earth: and it was so.**

**Gen 1:16 And God made two great lights; the greater light to rule the day, and the lesser light to rule the night: he made the stars also.**

**Gen 1:17 And God set them in the firmament of the heaven to give light upon the earth,**

**Gen 1:18 And to rule over the day and over the night, and to divide the light from the darkness: and God saw that it was good.**

**Gen 1:19 And the evening and the morning were the fourth day.**

**Thus the Sun, Moon, Stars: became visible on earth.**

**Gen 1:20 And God said, Let the waters bring forth abundantly the moving creature that hath life, and fowl that may fly above the earth in the open firmament of heaven.**

**Gen 1:21 And God created great whales, and every living creature that moveth, which the waters brought forth abundantly, after their kind, and every winged fowl after his kind: and God saw that it was good.**

**Gen 1:22 And God blessed them, saying, Be fruitful, and multiply, and fill the waters in the seas, and let fowl multiply in the earth.**

**Gen 1:23 And the evening and the morning were the fifth day.**

**Gen 1:24 And God said, Let the earth bring forth the living creature after his kind, cattle, and creeping thing, and beast of the earth after his kind: and it was so.**

**Gen 1:25 And God made the beast of the earth after his kind, and cattle after their kind, and everything that creepeth upon the earth after his kind: and God saw that it was good.**

**Gen 1:26 And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness: and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth.**

**Gen 1:27 So God created man in his Own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them.**

**Gen 1:28 And God blessed them, and God said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it: and have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over every living thing that moveth upon the earth.**

**Gen 1:29 And God said, Behold, I have given you every herb bearing seed, which is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree, in the which is the fruit of a tree yielding seed; to you it shall be for meat.**

**Gen 1:30 And to every beast of the earth, and to every fowl of the air, and to everything that creepeth upon the earth, wherein there is life, I have given every green herb for meat: and it was so.**

**Gen 1:31 And God saw everything that he had made, and, behold, it was very good. And the evening and the morning were the sixth day.**

**Land, Animals, and MAN: “IN HIS OWN IMAGE”.**

**Gen 2:1 Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all the host of them.**

**Gen 2:2 And on the seventh day God ended his work which he had made; and he rested on the seventh day from all his work which he had made.**

**Gen 2:3 And God blessed the seventh day, and sanctified it: because that in it he had rested from all his work which God created and made.**

**God Rested. Not absolutely but from this particular creative work.**

**Gen 2:4 These Are the generations of the heavens and of the earth when they were created, in the day that the LORD God made the earth and the heavens,**

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