

# The Revelation Of Creation

Genesis 1:1-2:3

## Introduction

### I Creation's Conception

- A. The origins of life are the result of either:
  - 1. **Random** chance
  - 2. **Divine** plan - Rom 1:18-20
- B. The author of creation
  - 1. The **Father** created everything - Heb 11:3
  - 2. The **Son** created everything - Jn 1:1-10; Col 1:15-16
  - 3. The **Holy Spirit** created everything - Ps 33:6

### II Creation's Controversies

- A. The transition between verse one and two
  - 1. The **Gap** Theory
  - 2. The Creationist's Conviction
- B. The meaning of the word "Day"
  - 1. Theistic evolutionist = "Eon or geological age"
  - 2. Creationists = Literal "24"-hour day
    - a. 97% of the 2,000 occurrences are translated, "day"
    - b. "Yom" combined with numerical adjective always means a literal 24-hour day.
    - c. The repetitive phrase "evening and morning" points to a 24-hour day - Dan 8:14
    - d. The existence of a **universal** 7-day week - Ex 20:11
    - e. The significance of the **Sabbath** - Ex 31:12-17

### III Creation's Sequence

- A. God gives **form** to His creation
  - 1. Day One: Light - Ps 33:6, 9; Rev 21:23; 22:5; 1 Tim 4:4
  - 2. Day Two: Sky
  - 3. Day Three: Land & Vegetation
- B. God **fills** His creation
  - 1. Day Four: Light Bearers - Ps 19:1-4; Rom 1:18-20
  - 2. Day Five: Creatures of Water & Air
  - 3. Day Six: Land Animals

### IV Creation's Climax

- A. God created man in His **image** - Rom 8:29; 2 Cor 3:18
- B. God commissioned man to:
  - 1. Be **fruitful** and increase - Rom 4:6-8; Jn 15:8
  - 2. Fill the earth - Gen 9:1; Rev 7:9-10
  - 3. **Subdue** it and rule over it
- C. God **rested** from His work
  - 1. Day seven: Creation Completed - Jn 5:17; Heb 4:1-11

## PERSONAL APPLICATION

Take some time this week to consider the following:

1. What is the single most satisfying thing you have ever created?
2. Before you came to Christ, how did you explain the existence of the universe? Your life? What's your perspective now?
3. What difference does it make if the word "day" in Genesis 1 is an "eon" or a 24-hour day? Which do you think it is and why?
4. In what ways are you created in the image of God? What evidence do you see in your life that you are made in the image of God? How can you cooperate with God to bring about an increasing character of Christ [Hint: Read 2 Cor 3:18]?
5. God's purpose from the beginning was to fill the earth with people created in His own image. Read Matt 28:19-20. How does this verse related to God's original intent in creation? Is this a lifestyle you are embracing? Why or why not?
6. If you would like further information regarding Creationist vs. Evolution studies, check out the following great websites:  
**Answers in Genesis:** <http://www.answersingenesis.org>  
**Institute For Creation Research:** <http://www.icr.org>

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