

Is Creation Account Reliable?

I. Creation Presented as Fact

1. God created heaven & earth out of emptiness
Genesis 1:1-2; Hebrews 11:3
2. God created by the power of His Word
Genesis 1:3, 6, 9, 14, 20, 24, 26; Hebrews 11:3;
Psalm 33:6; 2 Peter 3:5
3. God gave life ability to reproduce
"after their kind" – Gen. 1:11-12, 21-22, 24, 25-28
4. God created all things in six days
Days described as "evening & morning"
Genesis 1:5, 8, 13, 19, 23, 31
Creation spoken of as complete – Genesis 2:1-3
5. God created humans after His own image
Distinct from all other life forms - Genesis 1:26
6. God formed man out of dust, breathed His own
breath into him - became a living soul - Gen. 2:7
7. God made woman out of a rib taken from man
Genesis 2:21-22

II. Testimony of Scripture

1. Moses' testimony – Exodus 20:8-11
God created everything in six days
2. Jesus' testimony to creation - Mark 10:6; 13:19
3. John's testimony - John 1:1-3; Revelation 4:11
4. Paul's testimony – Romans 1:19-20;
1 Corinthians 11:9; Colossians 1:16
5. Adam is as real as Jesus Christ
1 Corinthians 15:22; Romans 5:12-21
6. No death before sin - 1 Corinthians 15:21, 22;
Romans 5:12-21; 6:23; Genesis 2:17, 22
Evolutionary process requires death before sin.
7. If creation account unreliable what about
salvation?

III. Biblical View of Humanity

1. Man distinct from animals, in God's image
Genesis 1:26-28; 5:1; 9:6; James 3:9
2. Human life is sacred, in God's image.
End of salvation is restoration of image –
Romans 8:28-29
3. Man's moral nature is part of this image.
All humans have some sense of right & wrong
4. Plan of Salvation is based on fact of the fall
and the consequence of death
5. Man as moral being is accountable to God
If not, sin, its consequences & salvation are
fiction.

IV. Questions Evolution must face

1. Where did matter come from?
What started the evolutionary process?
2. What caused matter to become alive?

Where did the first life form come from?

3. How to bridge gap between forms of life?
How did they begin & how are they related ?
4. Where are all of the transitional life forms?
Ought to be many over millions of years
5. Can disintegration & evolution occur together?
If universe is running down can it be building up?
6. What is Mathematical Probability for intricate
design in nature coming into being by chance?
Consider human body with its organs, brain etc.
7. What about Theistic Evolution?
That God used evolutionary process to create?
Should we believe God had to make imperfect
forms until He could say "*it was very good.*"
Genesis 1:31

V. "DAYS as Ages"

1. Language of Scripture indicates literal days.
Gen. 1:5, 8, 13, 19, 23, 31; Ex. 20:8-11
2. Long eons necessary only for evolution
Mature forms would have the appearance of age.
3. Evolution concludes all things were as we see
them now - no radical change happened.
4. Biblical account gives 3 significant changes
 - A. Curse on creation – Genesis 3:17-19
Romans 8:20-22 implies change
 - B. Worldwide Flood – Genesis 7:11; 8:13-14
Topographic change to earth from flood
Climatic change with seasons – Genesis 8:22
 - C. Tower of Babel – Gen. 11:5-9 – ethnic groups
Possible changes in continents?