

## Lesson 4 “Creation” – Creation, Not Evolution

What we see in God’s World agrees with what we read in God’s Word.

### Biblical Creation: What God Said He Did

What is separated & gathered? What’s the expected evidence?

God spends 2 1/2 days separating & gathering to give the earth form.

- Light from darkness. Expected evidence of day and night being continual and universal—regular rotation of the earth.
- Waters above from waters below with an expanse between. Expected evidence of waters above, perhaps a water vapor canopy of some kind, high above the earth.
- Land from sea. Expected evidence of all continents once having been joined.

What is made & filled? What’s the expected evidence?

God spends 3 1/2 days making & filling to remove the emptiness.

- All plant kinds—grasses, seed plants, trees that produce seeds and fruit; land surface filled w/food. Expected evidence of fully formed and functioning plants, fruit and seeds from the start of life on earth.
- Sun, moon, stars—separating light and darkness was really important to God—their light filled the expanse. They served a purpose for man. Expected evidence that these were fully functioning in a mature state from the beginning.
- All water creatures, All birds—seas and expanse of sky filled. All land creatures plus man and woman—land surface filled. Expected evidence of all water creatures, birds, land creatures and man to be fully functioning in a mature form since the beginning.

Result: a fully functioning, mature creation

- Continents with topsoil and rivers flowing from a source of water.
- Rocks with crystalline minerals in them—some already beginning the radioactive process to add warmth and other elements to our planet.
- Stars visible from earth.
- Plants bearing seed and fruit; bees pollinating flowers.
- Marine animals swimming; birds flying.
- Land animals creeping and running; adult Adam and Eve talking—all capable of reproducing.

### Creation or Evolution

What evidence from life in the present would you expect to find if creation is true?

- Intelligent design in all living things
- Separate, distinct kinds of creatures with lots of variation within them.
- Death and disease because of the curse.

- Extinction of some creatures because of the Flood.

What evidence from life in the present would you expect to find if evolution is true?

- Life coming from non-life.
- Beneficial Mutations that continually create new systems in every living creature observable in the present. Producing...
- Billions of transitional Forms—a hypothetical organism that is "between" evolutionary stages. We should have transitional structures for every part of every system of every living creature in the present.
- Things Getting Better—no death due to aging or disease

What evidence from life in the present do you find?

- Intelligent design in all living things is obvious.
- Separate, distinct kinds are evident; transitional forms are non-existent. Mutations are not adding new information, creating new creatures.
- New "kinds" are not being formed. In nature, we see variety within a species or "kind" but no changes from one species to another—dogs are not changing to cat kinds so they can climb the tree after the squirrels.
- Variation within a species or kind is not evolution. Adaptation of a species is not evolution.
- Living things that defy explanation by evolution—There are hundreds of living creatures that have systems so marvelously complex and symbiotic that they could not work until all parts work. These totally defy explanation by evolution. The butterfly, giraffe, bombardier beetle, and woodpecker are just a few.

## Conclusion

God created all plants, animals, and man according to kinds with lots of room for variation and adaptation within kinds. Each was subsequently affected by the curse.