

## WHAT HAPPENED AT CREATION?

1. Text: Genesis 1:1-5
2. How did the world begin? The Bible obviously speaks of that in Genesis One. But is that figurative, poetry, mythical, and not to be taken literally? Has evolution caused us to abandon any trust in the Scriptural record?
3. I am no scientist. This lesson will explain what the Scriptures say happened at creation. We still trust that record. Our next lesson will deal with issues related to the challenge to Genesis One being literally true.
4. What does Genesis One actually say?

### I. **What Is The Key To Creation?**

1. Genesis 1:1 Either this is true or it's not. Awesome issues are involved.
2. Genesis 1:1, not Matthew 1:1, is the beginning of the Bible story.
3. Must be either/or, not both/and.

### II. **What Was The Beginning?**

1. Of time as we know it.
2. God is eternal, timeless

### III. **What Is A Day?**

1. Is it here a mere term for an enormous age of time or a 24 hour day?
2. Hebrew word for day (yom) can be used figuratively, but never when a number used with it or when night and day connected with it.

### IV. **What Happened In The Creative Process?**

1. Created equals made (2:3); Said equals made (1:24-25); Said equals created (1:20-21)
2. The divine word brought creation into existence.

### V. **Is There A Pattern In The Creation?**

1. Yes, notice the parallels.
2. Day One: Light  
Day Two: Firmament and waters below  
Day Three: Dry land, vegetation  
Day Four: Luminaries  
Day Five: Birds and fish  
Day Six: Land creatures

### VI. **What Happened On Day One?**

1. Verse two: Earth was created without form and void.
2. Later light came, and this separated day from night.
3. There's no gap for a theory here.

### VII. **What Did The Light Of Heaven Do?**

1. They set time frames.
2. Day from the rotation of the earth; month from orbit of moon around earth; year from earth moving around sun. Weeks?

### VIII. **What Are Terms We Need To Know?**

1. "It was good" (1:4,10,12,18,21,25,31)
2. "And it was so" (1:9,11,15,24,30)
3. "After its kind" (1:12,21,24,25)
4. God created living things fully developed (1:11-12,20-21,24-25)

Conclusion:

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