

**“THE ORIGIN OF EVERYTHING”**

“THE INCREDIBLE STORY OF CREATION, CORRUPTION AND COVENANT”

**PART 5**

**“RECOVERING FROM IDENTITY THEFT” (PART 2)**

**“Repairing the Self-Inflicted Damage and Restoring the God-Appointed Dignity of Being Created in the Image of God”**

(Genesis 1:26-30)

**INTRODUCTION:**

“For in six days the LORD made the heavens and the earth, the sea and all that is in them, and rested on the seventh day...”

—Exodus 20:11a

- **The Completion of Creation: Filling the Earth** (Genesis 1:24-31)
- **The Crown of Creation: Forming Man** (Genesis 1:26-30)
  - **Man’s Affinity with the rest of creation:**
    1. He is a result of the creative work of God. (1:1, 27)
    2. He is formed of the dust of the earth. (2:7)
    3. Both are described as a living soul. (2:7; 1:24)
    4. Both possesses the breathe of life. (2:7; 1:30)
  - **Man’s Distinction from the rest of creation:**
    1. The Divine Interplay (1:26)
    2. The Divine Inbreathing (2:7)
    - \*3. The Divine Image (1:26, 27; 5:3; 9:6)
    4. The Divine Intent (1:26-28)

**1A. REVISITING THE \_\_\_\_\_ AND \_\_\_\_\_ OF CREATION (GENESIS 1:1-2:3)**

1B. Creation was a **brief series of monumental, supernatural, instantaneous miracles that cannot be explained by science.**

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2B. The earth has been \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ by universal and \_\_\_\_\_ cataclysmic events. The first of these events brought into existence a \_\_\_\_\_ creation with the \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ of age.

## 2A. REVISITING THE \_\_\_\_\_ OF CREATION (Genesis 1:26-30)

- While Biblical Christianity begins with three fundamental presuppositions: 1) God is (“In the beginning God...”), 2) God created all there is (“...created the heavens and the earth...”), and God has spoken (“And God said...”), evolution is shaped by three equally embraced and diametrically opposed presuppositions:

- 1) \_\_\_\_\_
- 2) \_\_\_\_\_
- 3) \_\_\_\_\_

### 1B. The Image of God and \_\_\_\_\_.

- The Hebrew concept of image refers not only to man's \_\_\_\_\_ and capacities as a person, but also His representative \_\_\_\_\_ in relation to His Creator. The concept of the image of God is not just \_\_\_\_\_, but \_\_\_\_\_. \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ are intimately bound together, and are dependent on \_\_\_\_\_.

### 2B. The Image of God and \_\_\_\_\_.

“...that you walk no longer just as the Gentiles also walk, in the futility of their mind, being darkened in their understanding, excluded from the life of God because of the ignorance that is in them, because of the hardness of their heart; and they, having become callous, have given themselves over to sensuality for the practice of every kind of impurity with greediness.”

—Ephesians 4:17-19

### 3B. The Image of God and \_\_\_\_\_.

- Jesus is the exact \_\_\_\_\_ of the Father (Heb. 1:1-4), and came that we might be made \_\_\_\_\_ (Rom. 5:12-21) and \_\_\_\_\_ after His image (Eph. 4:20-24)

“But you did not learn Christ in this way, if indeed you have heard Him and have been taught in Him, just as truth is in Jesus, that, in reference to your former manner of life, you lay aside the old self, which is being corrupted in accordance with the lusts of deceit, and that you be renewed in the spirit of your mind, and put on the new self, which in the likeness of God has been created in righteousness and holiness of the truth.”

—Ephesians 4:20-24

## CONCLUSION: