Beginnings Series

In the Beginning
OUTLINE

Exploring Genesis

Genesis 1:1

POINT 1 - God is.

In the beginning God...

- He is the "I AM" "And God said unto Moses, I AM THAT I AM: and he said, Thus shalt thou say unto the children of Israel, I AM hath sent me unto you." [Exo 3:14 KJV]
- God does not open the Word with a justification for His existence. He does not attempt to prove who He is. He just states it as a fact...which it is.
 - "To the chief Musician, A Psalm of David. The fool hath said in his heart, There is no God. They are corrupt, they have done abominable works, there is none that doeth good." Psalm 14:1 KJV
 - Its foolish to not believe in God, because the knowledge of him existing is in us:
 - "Because that which may be known of God is manifest in them; for God hath shewed it unto them. For the invisible things of him from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even his eternal power and Godhead; so that they are without excuse: Because that, when they knew God, they glorified him not as God, neither were thankful; but became vain in their imaginations, and their foolish heart was darkened." Romans 1:19-21 KJV

POINT 2 – Jesus is/was there and created (since He is God and ever present, then saying He is there is accurate).

...God created..

The name of **God** used here is ĕlōhîm. This is a singular masculine noun that has a plurality of God. It is a name of God that shows His plurality. The Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost. He is one God though:

"For there is one God, and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus;" - 1 Timothy 2:5 KJV

Christ was at creation. In fact, he created. He is not some "new thing" in the New Testament.

- "Jesus said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Before Abraham was, I am." John 8:58 KJV
 - Jesus Himself is stating that before Abraham even existed, he is "ever existent". This is only a statement that God can say
- "But he held his peace, and answered nothing. Again the high priest asked him, and said unto him, Art thou the Christ, the Son of the Blessed? And Jesus said, <u>I am</u>: and ye shall see the Son of man sitting on the right hand of power, and coming in the clouds of heaven." **Mark 14:61-62 KJV**
 - Jesus referring to Himself as I AM in direct answer to being the Christ (anointed one, Messiah) the Son of the Blessed (Son of God).
 - Revelation 1:12-19
 - Jesus Christ Himself, referring to Himself as the Alpha and Omega. He
 is stating He is the great I AM. How do we know this is Jesus? Read,
 verse 18.
- John 1:1-5,14-15
 - Showing that the Word of God is what created, and that Jesus is the Word
 (God) in the flesh. How do we know it is referring to Jesus? Verse 14 showing
 He became flesh and Verse 15 is showing that John the Baptist pointed Him
 out as the Lamb of God. Who did he point to? Jesus.
 - "The next day John seeth Jesus coming unto him, and saith, Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world." - John 1:29
- The Holy Ghost was present; we see Him in verse 2 of Genesis 1.

CONCLUSION

We can see that God just is. He is plural yet one and that He created all that is necessary for it all to work (TIME, SPACE, MATTER). You either accept it as truth, or you ignore it and become the fool in God's eyes