

October 10th – Creator & Sustainer

“For by Him all things were created that are in heaven and that are on the earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or principalities or powers. All things were created through Him and for Him. And He is before all things, and in Him all things consist” (Col. 1:16-17).

Life is filled with some foundational questions such as, “How did we get here?” The secular humanist will probably tell you that there was a big bang about 14 billion years ago that set everything in motion. From there, evolution has been working non-stop to eliminate the weak and establish the strong. When I speak to someone of this opinion, I always ask, “Is space, time, and matter didn’t exist, how was a big bang even possible?” None of them have ever successfully answered that question.

Thankfully we don’t have to wonder how everything came into existence. The Bible is very clear: “In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth” (Gen. 1:1). In today’s verses, Paul goes a step further to tell us which member of the Trinity did the creative work. While God the Father and God the Holy Spirit were all involved in the creative work, Paul tells us that it was primarily God the Son (Jesus) through whom “all things were created.”

Paul provides even further detail to clear up any ambiguity. It doesn’t matter if something is visible or invisible, mighty or weak, permanent or passing – from the outhouse to the penthouse Jesus is the Creator of ALL things. Just as amazing He also sustains everything He created – “in Him all things consist.” If Jesus were to stop carrying for the created order, it would vanish in a millisecond. How awesome it is to know that the Creator and Sustainer of everything wants to be our Savior too!