

Intro: Re-Tell. Sermon Series.

READ/PRAY: Genesis 1:1-2:16

Thesis: "Jesus is the Lord of Creation and Savior of the World"

I. Lord of Creation (1:1-2:3)

- A. **Creator & Sustainer (Colossians 1:15-17)**
- B. **Word of His Power (John 1:1-5; Hebrews 1:1-3)**
- C. **Reveals God (Natural vs. Special Revelation) (Psalm 19:1-2; Rom. 1:18-32)**
- D. **Lord/King to be obeyed (Job 38:2-11; Jeremiah 5:21-25)**

ILLUSTRATION: Nate Saint. Missionary to the Waodani (Aucas). Had the concept of Waengangi. Common story of pioneering Missionaries. They have a concept of God. Atheists only exist in places where academia exists. Where men having twisted/suppressed/denied the Truth. But Creation reveals the glory of God. It's there for everyone to see. Obvious.

APPLICATION:

- **Science.** Scientific Truth vs. Biblical Truth. Equal? Not? Yes. All Truth is God's Truth. Bias Scientists. Bias Biblicists. Bad Science. Bad Bible Teaching. But if what has been discovered is real and true, then it reveals more about who God is. Webb Space Telescope. No reason to be nervous or afraid. It will reveal what is true about God and His creation.
- **Education.** This is why learning about God's creation (everything: Math, Science, English, Language, Vocabulary, History, etc.) is learning about God, which is potential for glorifying God. School is good. Knowledge is good. Learning is good. For you, but to inform you about God.

II. Savior of the World (2:4-16)

- A. **Created in the Image of God.** Dominion. Rule. Purpose = Relate. Reflect. Represent.
- B. **Creation.** All Very Good. Working appropriately. No death. No destruction. Disease.
- C. **Garden.** Rivers. Tree of Life. Perfect climate. No gnats. Mosquitos.

ILLUSTRATION: Restoration. Overhulin'. They ended up selling or having to sell the car. They couldn't afford it. Well, Jesus is doing all the work. Paying for it. And He's keeping it for us.

APPLICATION:

- **Fulfilled. Revelation 21:1-8; 21:22-22:5; 2:7.**
- **Jesus is the Savior & Redeemer of the Image of God (Mankind).**
- **Jesus is the Savior & Restorer of the Whole World.** Wholistic Salvation/Reconciliation/Restoration/Renewal. Bringing heaven to earth. New Paradise. New Creation. Rivers. Trees.