

Faith in Creator God Hebrews 11:3 Faith Community April 18, 2021

God Existed BEFORE the Created Order

"By faith we understand that the universe was created by the word of God, so that what is seen was not made out of things that are visible." **Hebrews 11:3 (ESV)**

"In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth. 2 The earth was without form and void, and darkness was over the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters." Genesis 1:1-2

And God said...

"Then the Lord God formed the man from the dust of the ground. He breathed the breath of life into the man's nostrils, and the man became a living person."

Genesis 2:7

"But God shows his anger from heaven against all sinful, wicked people who suppress the truth by their wickedness. They know the truth about God because he has made it obvious to them. For ever since the world was created, people have seen the earth and sky. Through everything God made, they can clearly see his invisible qualities—his eternal power and divine nature. So, they have no excuse for not knowing God." Romans 1:18-20

"The heavens <u>proclaim</u> the glory of God. The skies display his <u>craftsmanship</u>. Day after day they continue to <u>speak</u>; night after night <u>they make him known</u>. They speak without a sound or word; their voice is never heard. Yet <u>their message</u> has gone throughout the earth, and their words <u>to all the world</u>. God has made a home in the heavens for the sun. It bursts forth like a radiant bridegroom after his wedding. It rejoices like a great athlete eager to run the race. The sun rises at one end of the heavens and follows its course to the other end. Nothing can hide from its heat." **Psalms 19:1-6**

Christ Existed BEFORE the Created Order

"In the beginning the Word already existed. The Word was with God, and the Word was God.

He existed in the beginning with God. God created everything through him,

and nothing was created except through him." John 1:1-3

"Christ is the visible image of the invisible God. He existed before anything was created and is supreme over all creation, for through him God created everything in the heavenly realms and on earth. He made the things we can see and the things we can t see—such as thrones, kingdoms, rulers, and authorities in the unseen world. Everything was created through him and for him. He existed before anything else, and he holds all creation together."

Colossians 1:15-17

"Long ago God spoke many times and in many ways to our ancestors through the prophets. 2 And now in these final days, he has spoken to us through his Son. God promised everything to the Son as an inheritance, and through the Son he created the universe." Hebrews 1:1, 2

Sin Bring Chaos Out of Order

Genesis 1 & 2...It was ALL good
Genesis 3:1-7...Sin enters the God's world
Genesis 6:5-8...God is exasperated with His Creation. Save Noah

God Brings Order Out of Chaos

"For God is not a God of disorder but of peace, as in all the meetings of God's holy people...But be sure that everything is done properly and in order."

1 Corinthians 14:33 & 40

"God saved you by his grace when you believed. And you can't take credit for this; it is a gift from God. 9 Salvation is not a reward for the good things we have done, so none of us can boast about it. 10 For we are God's masterpiece. He has created us anew in Christ Jesus, so we can do the good things he planned for us long ago."

Ephesians 2:8-10

"And I am certain that God, who began the good work within you, will continue his work until it is finally finished on the day when Christ Jesus returns." **Philippians 1:6**

"I waited patiently for the Lord to help me, and he turned to me and heard my cry. He lifted me out of the pit of despair, out of the mud and the mire. He set my feet on solid ground and steadied me as I walked along. He has given me a new song to sing, a hymn of praise to our God. Many will see what he has done and be amazed. They will put their trust in the Lord."

Psalms 40:1-3