

GENESIS

1:1

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IMPORTANT POINTS

- 1. God does not tell us everything.
- 2. God can make something out of nothing.
- 3. God does not distance Himself from His problems.
- 4. God is a God of priorities. He made provision first priority in each case.
- 5. The Genesis story of creation is the eye witness account of our Creator.

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We do not know how much time passed between verse 1 and verse 3. It could have been one breath, one thought, or one billion years. God does not tell us everything, but everything He tells us is true.

God moves closer to something He wants to change; He does not distance Himself from His problems.

And the earth was without form and void, and darkness was upon the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters. And God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light. And God saw the light, that it was good; and God divided the light from the darkness. And God called the light Day, and the darkness He called Night. And the evening and the morning were the first day.

> genesis 1:2-5

God made the things we see out of things we do not see. He made it all from nothing.



Then God saw everything that He had made, and indeed it was very good. So the evening and the morning were the sixth day.

> **GENESIS** 1:31

We have the only eye witness account of creation.

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COMMENTARY

Do not be deceived and imagine that the best and the brightest the world has to offer are either the best or the brightest. Look around ... this is where the world's best and brightest have gotten us so far: starvation, disease, war, famine, poverty, drugs, violence, crime, divorce, prostitution, illiteracy, and world chaos not to mention pollution, national debt, unemployment, overcrowded jails, teenage pregnancies, abortion, or chemical warfare.

Just because someone has a few letters after their name, lives in Hollywood, or wins some public popularity contest by a few votes and is thereby declared President of the United States, we cannot imagine they hold the keys to all truth – or any truth for that matter.

Archeologists, anthropologists, paleontologists, biologists, analysts, scientists of all sorts along with historians and philosophers in every age can only give a personal best guess concerning creation based on their interpretations of things which they did not witness. Some of them have done very well but many are way off base. Unfortunately, it seems that the farther away from God a theory leads, the more palatable it becomes to the world. This is often the dominant factor considered in the equation we know as world consensus. The world is not driven by truth but rather by lusts, sex, money, power, and position.

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To learn how the world was made and what actually happened in the beginning, we need to listen to someone who was there ... that would be God – He holds the only eye witness account. Where man's imaginations, estimations, or calculations differ from God's account, reckon man's calculations wrong. You don't have to be any smarter than that ... indeed you cannot be any smarter than that!

Neither the big bang theory nor the theory of evolution can account for God having created all things. The Bible says that in the beginning God created the heavens and the earth (Genesis 1:1). Hebrews 11 verse 3 confirms that God created the things we now see from things which could not be seen. God does not tell us the duration of time between Genesis 1:1 and Genesis 1:3. It could have been one instant, one moment, one thought or one billion years – we do not know. However, scriptures clearly tell us that once God moved closer to the problem and decided what He would do, in other words from verse 3 on, that God worked six days furnishing the earth as a habitation for His creations and He made it all, as it would appear to us, from nothing but His Wisdom and His Word. Then on the seventh day He rested from His labor.

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