

## Who Created Them All?

Genesis 1:1 New American Standard Bible (NASB)

*In the beginning **God created** the heavens and the earth.*

### Introduction

Let me begin with a question for you. The question that I heard from my physics teacher in high school forty some years ago. It amazes me that I still remember the question as well as the answer.

Have you heard of a word “antipode?” It means the direct opposite of something else. What’s antipode of New Jersey? The exact opposite location of New Jersey on the other side of the globe. A few hundred miles of southeast of Australia. Make a tunnel to the other side. Ignore friction and heat in the middle of the globe. Drop a steel ball from here. What happens to the ball? A perpetual motion of the ball traveling back and forth.

I loved science (still do) and did well in physics and chemistry in high school. I could’ve gone into those fields in college. Over the years, I began to understand how science is built up and operating. What is science? “It is the human effort to understand how the natural world works, with observable physical evidence as the basis of understanding” ([www.gly.uga.edu/railsback/1122science2.html](http://www.gly.uga.edu/railsback/1122science2.html)). Well put.

Science is based on observation. Based on what we see, hear, and feel, we come up with a theory. E.g. The law of gravity. Newton and apples dropping. If we don’t see, we would say, we don’t see, we don’t know, or sometimes we say it’s not there. Well, let me tell you a funny story.

A certain teacher one day was talking to the class. He asked, “Class, what do you see out there through the windows?” Students replied, “We see trees.” “What else do you see?” the teacher asked. “We see clouds and the sky,” they answered. Teacher said, “Do you see God up there?” They all said, “No.” Then, the teacher said, “See, there’s no god.”

One smart kid, let’s call him Tom, had enough. He asked the class, “Hey, guys, what do you see in front of us?” “The teacher,” they replied. “Do you see his brain?” asked Tom. They said, “No.” Tom said, “See, he has no brain.”

### Content

Let me tell you another story.

**Archeology:** Let’s say, years after I die, a group of archeologists dig out an old-and-rusty time capsule from the ground. They pull out my personal belongings such as diary,

watch, books, and family heirlooms along with 5 pairs of blue jeans. They spread out all 5 pairs of jeans and saw that all pants were in equal length but one. One was two inches longer than the other four. They were puzzled. Didn't all five pants belong to Kyewoon Choi? If so, why, then, one pair is longer than the other four? Question. Could it be that pair would belong to someone else? They cannot prove that it was the same person's. At least, based on the physical evidence or logical reasoning that all pairs should be the same length if they belonged to the same person.

The truth is that they all belonged to me. My wife always shortened the jeans for me. One time, she was ill, so she couldn't shorten my pants. I could've taken it to the cleaners and have them shorten it. But I decided to roll up the hem instead and wear them. It worked as well as the other pants. Well, I put them all in the time capsule. And, that's exactly what they have dug out. You see, I know it is true, but such truth can be rejected by archeologists in the name of science and in the principle of inconsistency.

Here's the point I am making: as much as science is valuable and profitable, we must acknowledge that it only explains things visible and things in the natural world. There are things that are invisible and spiritual. We cannot and should not rely on science for explaining everything. When it comes down to things invisible, things spiritual, science should take the back seat. When it comes down to the origin, purpose, and destination of our life, it cannot help us. That's where God and His Word come in.

**Creation vs. Evolution:** Let's talk about evolution. Charles Darwin. I still vividly remember that in my junior high school days, I read his book "The Voyage of the Beagle." Oh, how much I loved it! It was so exciting to read about his voyage to South America and to Galapagos on the Beagle. His observations and drawings of all different species. It captured my imagination. I soaked everything he wrote in his book about nature's wonder. Then, not long after, I got educated with his theory of evolution. Well, you know how it goes.

Now, here's the thing. When anyone or any theory of science tries to explain the origin of life, the origin of species, they still need and rely on physical evidence and come up with their speculations, we call theories. This is how I understand the theory of evolution.

Somehow, somewhere, with matter plus chance plus time, boom, one single cell, amoeba, was born. Once again, over time and chance, it evolved into the next 'new and improved' form of life. That process repeated over millions and billions of years, then we finally arrived at the point where we are now. Many, too many, people blindly follow this theory of science to explain the origin of life on earth.

Let me reiterate the question: Where did the life form come from? Random combination of matter, chance, and time? Or from God the Creator.

Let me be more specific. Think of all the things in heavens, on earth, and in the sea, and even under the ground. How did they come into existence? What or who created them all? Time plus matter plus chance? Or God? I challenge you today to make up your mind once and for all.

I have. Here's my journey. Over the years, I was sitting on the fence. When it comes down to evolution vs. creation, this is how I reasoned. Well, I believe in the Bible. I believe that God has created them all. But I also heard many professors and scientists say it was evolution, not God. I don't want to offend anybody. I don't want to be ostracized by my peers who are scientifically minded.

So, I decided to say nothing. I kept my belief to myself but let everyone else decide whatever they choose to believe. Until one day I was reading the Bible. I read it scores of times before. Yet, that day, a certain sentence jumped out of the page shouting out to me, **it is God who created them all**. Afterward, I researched on this word, "to create, created, creating" in the entire Bible. One thing began to emerge. From Genesis to Revelation, over 44 times in the Bible, with no apology and with no hesitance, God exclusively declares that it is He who created them all. First time in my many years of being Christian, I heard loud and clear God saying, "Don't forget. It is I, nobody else, nothing else but I who created the heavens and earth and everything in them." Things visible. Things invisible. Creatures in the heavens. Sun, Moon, and billions of stars. Land and sea and all creatures on earth. Animals, plants, birds, fish, and people. Even things underground. Every single creature owes their life to God the Creator. I settled this once and for all.

**Integrity of God:** You may ask me, well, you don't have any tangible proof to show that God created them all. No, I don't. You're right. I cannot prove my belief to you in the scientific ways. Tangible, observable, and even provable. However, there's one thing I believe a stronger and more superior way than scientific evidence. One thing that shuts down every single argument on creation vs. evolution. That word is integrity.

I believe in God's integrity. I believe that God does not lie. He tells me the truth, nothing but the truth. All the time. He doesn't change. He is the same, yesterday, today, and forever. That's integrity. The same God of integrity tells me that there's heaven and hell. The same God tells me that by believing in what Christ has done for us, we go to heaven. The same God who has led me so far and rescued me time and time again. The same God who keeps His promise for me. The same God who answered my prayers as exactly as I have requested. The same God tells me over 40 times in the Bible that it is He who created them all. That's good enough for me. E.g. When I was born, no one took a picture. My family couldn't afford a camera. I was told by my parents that I am their child. That's good enough for me. Of course, if in doubt, I could've gone to DNA testing and all kinds of tests to prove that they are my parents. But, why so much trouble when their one word is good enough for me? Same goes with creation. What God says in the Scripture is good enough for me to believe that He is the Creator as He claims to be.

Listen to what Christ says about the Scripture: The Scripture cannot be broken (John 10:35). God's Word cannot be annulled. "Heaven and earth will pass away, but My words will not pass away" (Matthew 24:35).

Even the heavens and earth disappear, not the Word of God. It will stand forever and ever. That same Word of God declares more than forty times that the Creator of all things is the LORD God. Not time, matter, or chance.

You may still say, well, physical proof will convince me. May God provide you with one someday. Let me tell you a story of a man who wanted to see the physical evidence of Jesus' resurrection. His name was Thomas.

He was not an unbeliever. He was one of the Twelve disciples. He believed in God. He believed in Jesus the Messiah. He did the ministry with Jesus for three years. He performed miracles in the name of Jesus such as healing the sick and casting out demons. He even was ready to die for the Lord (John 11:16).

When it comes down to the resurrection of Christ, however, he couldn't believe it. At least his scientific mindset refused to believe that Christ was risen from the dead, physically, unless he put his finger and hand into the place where Jesus was pierced.

There are some believers like Thomas as far as Christ's body resurrection is concerned: not believing what the Bible says about His resurrection, they seek tangible proofs.

It is quite intriguing to see Jesus appear and allow Thomas to put his finger and hand to His nail marks and side. I must say that Thomas was special and blessed in a sense that he was the only one allowed in human history to bring his finger and hand and place them in Christ's nail marks and side. That's an amazing privilege and blessing. Yet, Christ says you are more blessed than Thomas, if you believe without seeing.

Believing is a funny business. Some people have strong faith in Christ. They don't struggle with miracles of God. They don't need any proof of God's existence and powers. Belief in the resurrection of the dead comes naturally to them. Others are very skeptical about many of God's miracles including creation, virgin birth, and Christ's body resurrection. But, if you believe them all without seeing any proof, Jesus says, you are the blessed one. Do you believe God created them all? Blessed are you. Do you believe in Christ's resurrection? Then, thank God for your faith. You are blessed. If you still look for God's signs and proofs in your faith, I pray that God would be kind enough to show you what you search for like He did for Thomas.

### **Conclusion**

Have faith in God. Without faith, it is impossible to please Him (Hebrews 11:6). Believe that He exists and that He rewards those who seek Him. Believe that God has

created them all. Believe that the same God is with you. Believe that He is in charge and that no one can restrain His hand and say to Him what have You done. Believe that He will see you through life's challenges.

Stop unbelieving. Start believing. Be a blessed one. Amen.