Psalm 139:14 "I will praise thee; for I am fearfully and wonderfully made: marvelous are thy works; and that my soul knoweth right well."

2. For His plan.

Ephesians 1:5-9 "Having predestinated us unto the adoption of children by Jesus Christ to himself, according to the good pleasure of his will, To the praise of the glory of his grace, wherein he hath made us accepted in the beloved. In whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace; Wherein he hath abounded toward us in all wisdom and prudence; Having made known unto us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure which he hath purposed in himself:"

Genesis 1:26-27 "And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness: and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth. So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them."

3. For His fellowship.

2 Corinthians 6:16 "...as God hath said, I will dwell in them, and walk in them; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people."

John 14:3 "...I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also."

I John 1:7 "But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin."

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Lesson 19:

CREATION

Creation

Who created everything?

1. God created everything.

Genesis 1:1 "In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth."

2. He spoke everything into existence out of <u>nothing</u>.

Genesis 1:3 "And God said, Let there be light: and there was light."

Psalm 33:6, 9 "By the word of the LORD were the heavens made; and all the host of them by the breath of his mouth...For he spake, and it was done; he commanded, and it stood fast."

What happened at Creation?

1. God created everything in <u>six</u> days.

Day 1—light and dark (Genesis 1:3-5)

Day 2—the firmament (the heavens or sky) (vs. 6-8)

Day 3—dry land and plants (vs. 9-13)

Day 4—sun, moon, and stars (vs. 14-19)

Day 5—fish and birds (vs. 20-23)

Day 6—animals and Adam and Eve (vs. 24-31)

Genesis 1:31 "And God saw every thing that he had made, and, behold, it was very good. And the evening and the morning were the sixth day."

2. God rested on day seven.

Genesis 2:2 "And on the seventh day God ended his work which he had made; and he rested on the seventh day from all his work which he had made."

When did Creation take place?

1. Man was created about 6,000 years ago.

Luke 3:23-28 traces back the generations from Christ to Adam.

Generally speaking, there are:

2,000 years from Adam to Abraham.

2,000 years from Abraham to Christ.

2,000 years from Christ to today.

2. God gives us this record to help us to believe in Creation.

Why is evolution taught so vigorously?

- 1. To deny the existence of God.
 - A. Creation is God's way to reveal Who He is to us.

 Romans 1:19 "Because that which may be known of God is manifest in them; for God hath shewed it unto them."
 - B. Creation is believed by <u>faith</u>.
 Romans 1:20 "For the invisible things of him from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even his eternal power and Godhead; so that they are without excuse:"
 - C. <u>Ungodliness</u> is a denial of God's existence in thought and action.

Romans 1:18, 21, 28 "For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who hold the truth in unrighteousness; Because that, when they knew God, they glorified him not as God, neither were thankful; but became vain in their imaginations, and their foolish heart was darkened. And even as they did not like to retain God in their knowledge, God gave them over to a reprobate mind, to do those things which are not convenient;"

- 2. To deny the <u>authority</u> of God.
 - A. <u>Unrighteousness</u> is a practical denial of God's authority by way of disobedience. (Romans 1:18)
 - B. If man can convince himself that God is not his <u>Creator</u>, he can also convince himself that he is not accountable to God as his <u>Judge</u>.
- 3. To misdirect the God-given gift of <u>faith</u> and redirect it to evolution. Romans 1:25 "Who changed the truth of God into a lie, and worshipped and served the creature more than the Creator, who is blessed for ever. Amen."

Hebrews 11:3 "Through faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God, so that the things which are seen were not made of things which do appear."

What does Creation teach us?

- 1. It teaches us the <u>attributes</u> of God. For example, He is powerful. Colossians 1:16-17 "For by him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by him, and for him: And he is before all things, and by him all things exist."
- 2. It teaches us the <u>authority</u> of God.

Psalm 24:1 "The earth is the LORD's, and the fullness thereof; the world, and they that dwell therein."

Jeremiah 1:5 "Before I formed thee in the belly I knew thee; and before thou camest forth out of the womb I sanctified thee..."

3. It teaches us to trust in God.

Psalm 19:1 "The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament sheweth his handywork."

Ecclesiastes 1:5-7 "The sun also ariseth, and the sun goeth down, and hasteth to his place where he arose. The wind goeth toward the south, and turneth about unto the north; it whirleth about continually, and the wind returneth again according to his circuits. All the rivers run into the sea; yet the sea is not full; unto the place from whence the rivers come, thither they return again."

4. It prepares us to receive and respond to the Word of God. (Psalm 19)

Why did God create us?

1. For His glory.

Isaiah 43:7 "Even every one that is called by my name: for I have created him for my glory, I have formed him; yea, I have made him."