

How Did We Get Here

Genesis 1:26-31

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Introduction: And God said . . .

“Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth? Tell me, if you have understanding” (**Job 38:4**).

Background: 6 Days of Creation

Day 1 Space (Light/Dark)

Day 4 Sun, Moon, Stars

Day 2 Sky, Sea (Clouds, Water)

Day 5 Birds, Fish

Day 3 Surface (Land, Vegetation)

Day 6 Land Animals, People

1) God created the **world, 1:3-25**

Order

“ . . . they never did tell me what caused this supposed big bang. And they also never told me where the material came from so the big bang could happen. And they never told me how from a big bang you could get such a beautiful universe with so much order and complexity with programmed information and codes for life” (*Creation to Babel: A Commentary for Families*, Ham, 25).

Purpose

Congregational Reading from Hebrews **11:1-3**

Pastor: Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen.

Congregation: For by it the people of old received their commendation.

All: By faith we understand the universe was created by the Word of God, so that what is seen was not made out of things that are visible.

2) God created **people, 1:26-31**

In His Image

“The fact that man is in the image of God means that man is like God and represents God” (*Systematic Theology*, Grudem, 442).

With a Gender

Male – “At the heart of mature masculinity is a sense of benevolent responsibility to lead, provide for and protect women in ways appropriate to a man’s differing relationships” (*What’s the Difference?* Piper, 22)

Female – “At the heart of mature femininity is a freeing disposition to affirm, receive and nurture strength and leadership from worthy men in ways appropriate to a woman’s differing relationships (Piper, 22).

For a Job

By His approval

Conclusion: Affirming God as your Creator means you are affirming Him as your Judge.