

Origin of the Universe and the Purpose of Man

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The controversy between a Christian world view of “intelligent design” (i.e. “creationism”) and the various theories of evolution, as believed by some Christians and most materialists, focuses primarily on the evidence or lack of evidence for a progressive evolution from a timeless nothingness to non-life matter to simple life forms to complex life forms over a long period of time.

The question of the origin of the basic material building blocks (matter, energy, space) itself, though, remains unanswered and unanswerable by evolutionists and materialists.

Evolutionary researchers, scientists, and all those who have been trained to believe their theories, are offended by the predominant Judeo-Christian world view, not only because many (but not all) Bible scholars have interpreted the Hebrew word for “day” in the book of Genesis as literal twenty-four hour periods rather than creative epochs with a definite beginning (i.e. “morning”) and a definite end (i.e. “evening”) lasting many millions of years, but also because the existence of a literal Creator God who has established a covenant relationship with His special creation, man, would require a response by any who come to that realization.

The majority of evolutionary scientists are agnostic, believing whatever the origin of the material universe may be, it is certainly not specifically interested in man, and the existence of a spiritual dimension that connected to and interacting with the material universe is thought to be human invented nonsense.

But how logical is that conclusion?

In my own youthful attempt to understand this mystery at the age of twelve, I can remember laying on a blanket looking up at the stars thinking that “God” or some other god-source, had to have initiated the material universe. Something, I thought with simple but straightforward logic, cannot spring forth from nothing for no reason.

In later years, after I abandoned the Christian belief system at the age of eighteen and later regained it from a superior source of knowledge at the age of thirty-eight, I found that the Jewish and Christian scriptures, presumably revealed by a creative God to His creation, man, over a period of several thousand years, made extraordinary claims concerning the origin of matter, life, and of the Creator’s relationship with His creation.

The wrath of God is being revealed from heaven against all the godlessness and wickedness of men who suppress the truth by their wickedness, since what may be known about God is plain to them, because God has made it plain to them. For since the creation of the world God's invisible qualities—his eternal power and divine nature—have been clearly seen, being understood from what has been made, so that men are without excuse. Romans 1:18-20 NASB

Paul’s observation, whether from a supernatural source or not, is that the creation itself reveals the following:

1. evidence of the god-source or Creator is apparent in the creation itself;

2. this truth is suppressed by godlessness (i.e. materialism, atheism, and agnosticism) and by wickedness (i.e. false religion);
3. mankind is, therefore, without excuse for not “seeing” this truth and responding to it.

Non-believers may dispute this simple truth, although genuine “atheism” or “materialism”, which is the denial of any god-source or even a spiritual dimension, is, as Paul states, inductively bankrupt on the basis of observable phenomenon and scientific fact (evidence presented by the creation itself).

“Agnosticism” simply states that if there is a god-source, this god-source is unknowable by mankind and, therefore, may be ignored. “Deism” is a more specific form of agnosticism in which the deist assumes that there is a god-source but believes that this god-source is unknowable.

Mathematics is the closest man can come to understanding absolute truth with the natural intellect, but what mathematics suggests, if not proves, is that we live in an ordered universe, rather than an accidental, chaotic universe. And order suggests that there is intelligent design in the universe.

Albert Einstein, the brilliant mathematician and physicist associated with revolutionary thinking about time, matter, and energy, was a “Deist” who never came to a personal knowledge of God, but he acknowledged, logically, that a god-source must exist.

If Einstein had been motivated to take his pure scientific insight to the next step, his straight line logic would likely have resulted in the following conclusions:

1. the existence of time and matter (matter, energy, and space) imply intelligent design by a timeless, supernatural (i.e. greater than material) god-source;
2. intelligent design implies purpose;
3. purpose implies the possibility of response.

It is this “response” aspect that hangs up most agnostics, materialists, atheists, and some false religions, causing them to become illogical in their otherwise astute observations of natural and supernatural phenomenon.

The problem for mankind is that not all those who observe, observe as openly and accurately as Albert Einstein. A pseudo-intellectual blindness (as Paul noted) effects many whom the world calls “scientists” as well as the educated who have assumed a materialistic world view or a false spiritual world view, but those few who approach scientific mystery with a pure, inductive, empiricist methodology, are likely to perceive both material and, in some cases, supernatural evidence. Those few are also likely to respond to the evidence in some manner, albeit incompletely, as in Albert Einstein’s case.

The scientific method is supposed to be empirical, and empiricism is a commitment to submit all factual claims to the critical scrutiny of scientific inquiry (i.e. inductive reasoning) with the evidence itself suggesting the conclusive truth, even if the truth identifies a spiritual dimension to the universe and a god-source for both the spiritual and the material universe.

Unfortunately many scientific researchers and interpreters have a bias that causes them to search deductively for evidence that supports a pre-existing conclusion rather than allowing the inductively researched facts to present the truth.

Some who would describe themselves as inductive empiricists, suddenly become reductionists when confronted with the possibility of a god-source who may demand a response. The result is a suppression of truth, and the exclusion of evidence contrary to a pre-existing paradigm, which is not conducive to empirical scientific methodology.

In physics the proven dynamics are called laws, and one of the proven laws of physics, the First Law of Thermodynamics, states that energy can be changed from one form to another, but it cannot be created or destroyed. The total amount of energy and matter in the universe remains constant, merely changing from one form to another.

Neither H-bombs nor super-colliders nor black holes nor any other natural force in the universe can create or destroy the tiniest iota of matter or exhaust the tiniest iota of energy.

This law is a huge paradox for materialists, because it literally screams, “There is a god-source!”

Some materialist evolutionists, concerned that there is no evidence to support a jump from elemental non-life to complex life forms have even begun to support the possibility that life was seeded on planet Earth, either deliberately by advanced alien life forms somewhere in the universe or accidentally by meteorites carrying life form spores from some ancient source out there in the universe somewhere.

There is, of course, no scientific evidence to support this hypothesis, and the question of how the universe came into being and life came forth from non-life, though, is still unanswered by this hypothesis. It is, instead, merely an escape mechanism for materialists who are determined to deny the possibility of a god-source, especially a Judeo-Christian god-source.

In particle physics, an elementary particle is a particle of matter not known to have substructure; that is, it is not known to be made up of smaller particles, and it is, therefore, the basic building block from which more complex particles and atoms are constructed.

The dynamic structure of an atom, with its nucleus surrounded by whirling electrons, closely resembles a solar system, and it is interesting to note that, at the atomic level, vast distances or “space” separate not only the particles of the atom but one atom in a molecule from another.

A visual illustration of the earth orbiting the sun would be a tennis ball representing the sun with a BB representing the earth one hundred feet apart in space, connected across space by gravitational energy.

What we see and feel as solids, liquids, and gases actually consists of very small amounts of elementary particles (matter) combined into various atomic structures reacting with other atomic structures across vast spaces through the dynamic energy inherent in the particles themselves.

What we are mostly experiencing as solids, liquids, and gases, then, is energy as it gives form to the discernible material universe.

The entire material universe (as we know it) whether infinite or limited, consists of elementary particles, energy, and space, with space being an inert, but necessary, conduit, and particles, as well as the energy inherent in particles, existing without the possibility of creation or destruction.

That leaves us with a single burning, and for materialists, unanswerable, question: “How, then, did matter, energy, and space originate?”

Materialists, without an explanation, simply point back to an event called the “Big Bang” in which all matter and energy somehow exploded into existence. But the source of the “Big Bang” is still a mystery. Yet, physicists have recently speculated that the “Big Bang” did not originate from some point in space, but that space itself came into being along with matter and energy in this event called the “Big Bang”.

Space, as a necessary part of the trilogy of the material universe, along with matter and energy, was created instantly at the same point of origin as matter and energy. Further speculation even links the origin of time with the Big Bang.

Perhaps that doesn’t speak to you, but it sounds a lot like, “Let there be light”, to me.

Likewise, the dimension of time assumes a beginning, and a beginning assumes a timeless, eternal origin. Eternity or timelessness may be a handy hiding place for some materialists, but for eternity to exist, time itself must be a creation imposed by the god-source on the creation. Otherwise, the god-source had a beginning and will have an end, and if the god-source had a beginning, what caused the god-force to suddenly exist?

This is not a circular argument. It is a logical conclusion. Something did not emerge from nothing for no reason, and time can only emerge from timelessness.

An illustration to help us “see” the relationship between time and timelessness (though, as temporal beings for the present time, we will never understand it) is to view the created universe, with the dimensions of time, space, and matter, like a basketball. The omniscient view of a god-source is from the top of the basketball where the time lines converge at the same place. Our view is from the equator or some specific point on the basketball where time is specific. Thus the god-source could theoretically reveal a future event to a sentient creature in the creation, long before it comes to pass. He does not have to cause it, but the god-source, as a timeless spirit-being, can “see” it.

A materialist might imagine a greater system, of which we are unaware, supporting the material universe, and thus avoid dealing with an immediate god-source, but ultimately we are still confronted with the question, “What was the origin of the meta-system that originated our system?” And, “Why, if the universe is timeless and eternal, do we experience this universe temporally?”

More importantly, the existence of a material universe in which the essential building blocks can neither be created nor destroyed, logically assumes intelligent design, and intelligent design assumes purpose.

Something, as I realized at age twelve, did not spring forth from nothing for no reason, and the only possible logical conclusion for the existence of a temporal material universe is an eternal, omniscient god-source. Period.

Atheistic or agnostic materialists are reduced to avoidance of this prime question that is both asked and answered by the creation itself, but an amazingly clear revelation from the god-source was given to Saul of Tarsus, the intellectual giant of Israel who described himself, prior to his conversion, as a “Pharisee of Pharisees”, an enemy of the Christian “cult”, and a co-conspirator in the murder of Stephen.

No earthly power and no debate could have converted this man to believe that Jesus of Nazareth was the Messiah, the only begotten Son of a living God who has revealed Himself, not only in the creation, but directly and visibly through the incarnation of the Christ.

On the road to Damascus Paul was blinded by a bright light as the Lord said, “Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting me?”

Paul’s response, as would be the response of anyone, including die-hard materialists reading this commentary, was to fall on his face and cry out, “Lord! Lord!”

In this instance the Lord told Paul to go to the house of Ananias, and three days later, as Ananias laid hands on him, Paul received his sight. Some time later, this man, who had no knowledge of physics, was given a specific revelation about the origin of the spiritual and material universe, the power that sustains it, the motivation of the god-source who created it, and the ultimate, eternal transformation of it.

[Now] He ... (Christ)... is the exact likeness of the unseen God [the visible representation of the invisible]; He is the Firstborn of all creation. For it was in Him that all things were created, in heaven and on earth, things seen and things unseen... (material and non-material)..., whether thrones, dominions, rulers, or authorities; all things were created and exist through Him [by His service, intervention] and in and for Him. And He Himself existed before all things, and in Him all things consist (cohere, are held together). Colossians 1:15-16 Amplified (inserts are the author's)

The claims penned by Paul include the following:

1. Jesus of Nazareth is the material manifestation of the god-source Creator;
2. the spiritual and material universes were created by Him;
3. the spiritual and material universes co-exist and interact, but the spiritual universe is the origin of and greater than the material universe;
4. the spiritual and material universes are both held together (i.e. continue to exist) in Him, and the mechanics of the material universe are ultimately spiritual (i.e. the spiritual dimension provides the underlying source, power, and origin for the material universe).

What this testimony by Paul claims is that the entire creation, spiritual and material, springs from the Creator and that He is the force that keeps it all working throughout eternity.

A non-biblical source, Hinduism, which I became aware of through my dangerous and tragic foray into Transcendental Meditation, provides an interesting viewpoint. God, known as Brahman, who is impersonal except through various, pantheistic sub-gods, is and always has been breathing creation out and back in again. The “Big Bang” in the Hindu model would be his most recent breath going outward, taking various shapes and forms as it is breathed out. Through this out-breath, Brahman experiences himself as some of the life forms evolve to the point that their sentience includes an awareness of their own god-origin/god-beingness.

This Hindu model has some similarities with the model revealed to Paul, except that the Hindu model denies the specific accountability of man to the Creator, which has the familiar ring of, “Did God really say....?”

Thus the Hindu model, though similar in the overview, is a direct contradiction of the model that is in perfect agreement with the laws of physics as it was revealed supernaturally to men from Adam forward before the laws of physics were known to man.

Because of the First Law of Thermodynamics we must assume that the expansion of the universe as measured by astrophysicists is the expansion of a finite amount of matter and energy, and, because of the Second Law of Thermodynamics we must assume that the “Big Bang” is doomed to eventual deterioration and collapse.

The Second Law of Thermodynamics is an expression of the universal principle of increasing entropy, stating that the entropy of an isolated system (i.e. a created material universe) which is not in equilibrium (i.e. static) will tend to increase over time. In other words, the material creation, defined by the laws of physics, is deteriorating even as it expands.

What that means in the simplest possible terms is that the material universe (matter, energy, and space) is already in a state of deterioration and collapse. Atoms

continue to connect with other atoms to form molecules, including complex organic chemical compounds and life, but they do so in a slowly deteriorating system, not an evolving system of greater and greater complexity.

The entire working system of the material universe, then resists the possibility of evolution in terms of a positive, improving, natural selection response at the organic level. What the entire working system of the material universe, as well as science, does support is the loss of genetic material from all life in what was once a perfect system.

In the human example, even if knowledge increases, that does not mean intelligence is increasing. The reverse is actually true. Knowledge requires the building of a base upon which new knowledge is added, and the expansion of the base allows even more new knowledge to be developed. Raw intelligence, on the other hand, is eroded as the intelligence gene pool, is slowly, but surely, corrupted, through dissipation in a deteriorating material universe. Therefore knowledge is increasing while intelligence is decreasing.

Assuming that a god-source Creator, whether Jehovah or Brahman, initiated the finite material universe with a Big Bang and continued creating continuously until He was “finished”, this system was apparently created with an inherent, inbuilt auto destruct mechanism.

And, although materialists may assume that the development of complex living organisms from inert chemical compounds must have taken place, they do so only by denying the first and second laws of thermodynamics, and in utter contempt of the evidence purposefully supplied by the god-source origin of the created material universe itself.

What we see, demonstrated in the elementary nature of mankind, is that tradition, whether in politics, religion, or science, “blinds” thinkers from pursuing true, inductive, study related to the governing of ourselves, what we believe about a god-source, and the way in which we view scientific evidence.

Most materialists and evolutionists pursue deductive evidence only, and in their pseudo-intellectualism, they are blind to the inductive facts concerning the origin of the universe and the god-source’s interaction with man.

I understand their bias in terms of being repulsed by the religions of the world and by the presumed ignorance of those who do not believe that the theory of evolution is valid, but their bias is based on a scientific tradition that denies the laws of physics and the revelation of a god-source to the creation itself.

Again, it is Paul who received a revelation of the complex laws of physics as impacted by spiritual intervention and interaction from the god-source.

For the anxious longing of the creation waits eagerly for the revealing of the sons of God. For the creation was subjected...(by the Creator).., to futility ... (deterioration)... , not willingly, but because of Him who subjected it, in hope that the creation itself also will be set free from its slavery to corruption ... (degradation of the initially complete and perfect system)... into the freedom of the glory of the children of God... (a future event related to a change in the status of the material universe). For we know that the whole creation ... (spiritual and material)... groans and suffers the pains of childbirth ... (deterioration leading to an inferred coming positive change in the status of the spiritual and material universe) ... together until now. Romans 8:19-22 NASB (inserts are the author’s)

The claims penned by Paul in this passage include the following:

1. the “creation” of the perfect material universe was subjected to deterioration at some point;
2. this subjugation is related to man’s relationship with the god-source;
3. the entire spiritual and material universe is impacted by the deterioration;
4. this deterioration will be reversed in something identified as a birth event.

Unlike the Hindu model, the God of the Judeo-Christian tradition has revealed that the material creation, including the creation of man, is not an endless cycle of breathing out and breathing in, but a single, progressive creative event, the next stage of which is a spiritual-material universe in perfect harmony. Thus the current deterioration of the material universe will end with a transformation that includes the eternal transformation of mankind itself.

Since all these things are thus in the process of being dissolved, what kind of person ought [each of] you to be [in the meanwhile] in consecrated and holy behavior and devout and godly qualities,

While you wait and earnestly long for (expect and hasten) the coming of the day of God by reason of which the flaming heavens will be dissolved, and the [material] elements [of the universe] will flare and melt with fire?

But we look for new heavens and a new earth according to His promise, in which righteousness (uprightness, freedom from sin, and right standing with God) is to abide. 2 Peter 3:10-13 Amplified

THEN I saw a new sky (heaven) and a new earth, for the former sky and the former earth had passed away (vanished), and there no longer existed any sea. Revelation 21:1 Amplified

This is the point at which materialists simply cannot continue to follow along. While the discussion primarily involved an abstract possibility that some god-source is responsible for the creation of the material universe, those with the ability to inductively investigate the evidence may have begun to have doubts about their materialistic belief system.

However, the deeper truths about the origin of the spiritual and the material universe, which are God’s purpose in creating the material universe and the future of both the spiritual universe and the material universe, require a further revelation from the god-source Himself.

*But a natural man ... (man without a supernatural connection to God)... **does not accept the things of the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness to him; and he cannot understand them, because they are spiritually appraised.** 1 Corinthians 2:14 NASB (inserts are the author’s)*

*Now we have received, not the spirit of the world ... (materialism, atheism, agnosticism, and false religion)... , **but the Spirit who is from God, so that we may know the things freely given to us by God, which things we also speak, not in***

words taught by human wisdom, but in those taught by the Spirit, combining spiritual thoughts with spiritual words. 1 Corinthians 2:12,13 NASB (inserts are the author's)

I explain this supernatural source of superior knowledge in mathematical terms. The natural logic of materialists is like algebra, but the algebraic paradigm does not provide any clues regarding the existence of calculus. From the algebraic (materialistic) point of view, calculus does not exist.

Algebra, however, does exist within the higher calculus paradigm. Thus the master of calculus “sees” math from the superior position of a calculus paradigm that includes the lesser, and limited, algebraic model.

The means of attaining to the higher knowledge that comes to us from the Spirit of God is, interestingly, not related to intellect alone. It is called “the foolishness of God”, and it is the god-source’s purpose to confound those who depend on the wisdom of the world (personal intellect and experience, materialistic science, godless government, and false religion – i.e. supernatural knowledge from an alternate god-source opposed to the true God) by revealing truth supernaturally to those who “see” and “hear” truth at a higher level than that of materialists or false religionists pursuing “truth” through faulty, limited, or, even, perverse, deceiving spiritual means.

Even at the basic level of logic, we must assume that absolute truth exists. However, materialists and agnostics simply believe that man is incapable of tapping into absolute truth at anything other than the material level.

What the Creator reveals through His creation is that man, God’s covenant being, has the inherent capacity to receive spiritual truth, but has, for some reason, lost his connection to the god-source Creator, and without a restoration of this god-source Creator connection only receives spiritual input from spiritual sources other than the god-source Creator (i.e. spiritism, ESP, mediumship, astrology, palmistry, casting bones, I-Ching, ad infinitum,).

That “other” god-source is, of course, that fallen spiritual being once known as “Lucifer,” the light bearer, who desires to usurp the worship of God by man and now masquerades as an angel of light through false religion and the occult for that express purpose.

There are still many unexplained mysteries in the science of physics, but consider for a moment the model presented to us by the true god-source Creator.

A timeless, omnipotent, omniscient God, whom we cannot truly fathom, “spoke” both the spiritual and the natural universes into existence. Some have presumed that the spiritual universe, including angelic beings, was created first, but there is no direct evidence for this. What the Creator has revealed by supernatural means is that the spiritual and material universes are co-existent and that man is the only creation that bridges both universes.

Angels as spirit beings can manifest themselves in the material universe, but they are not a part of it. And, surprisingly, they are in awe of mankind for one reason. God’s relationship with mankind, created to have dominion over the earth and communion with his Creator, is by covenant, while angels, created as free-will beings, were created to serve both God and man.

The overall covenant of this omnipotent God is a sovereign covenant, meaning that the sovereign Creator initiated the covenant with His created being, man, granting man

authority and a free-will choice to abide by the terms of the covenant and enjoy the eternal benefits of this everlasting covenant, or to reject it and be excluded from the eternal benefits of the covenant (and an unwitting servant of that fallen angelic being, “Lucifer,” now known as “Satan,” the enemy of both God and mankind).

One of the huge areas of difficulty for agnostic or atheistic materialist scientists, and for Christians trained in empiricist scientific methodology, is the conflict between what the creation itself seems to indicate about the age of the earth and of the human species and what Christian tradition claims that scripture tells us about the age of the earth and of the human species.

As indicated earlier in this commentary, though, the Hebrew word interpreted as “day” (*yom*), as in “first day”, in the first and second chapters of the book of Genesis has a variety of meanings just as it does in English. The primary use of *yom* is to differentiate between day and night. It is also used to indicate a twenty-four hour period of time, a non-specific period of time, such as “in our day”, and a specific period of time greater than twenty-four hours but with a definite beginning and a definite ending (i.e. an epoch).

The inclusion of an ordinal number (i.e. “first day”, “second day”, etc.) has caused many Bible scholars, both historic and current, to conclude that this should be interpreted as twenty-four hour periods of time. The description of each creative “day” as having an “evening” and a “morning”, although seemingly indicating a period of sunlight and a period of darkness, when viewed from the Creator’s omniscient point of view, is more likely to metaphorically indicate a creative “day” (epoch) with a definite beginning and a definite ending.

However, the most important indication here, and one that should get the attention of those who support evolutionary theory, is that the order of creation described in biblical scripture follows the exact pattern of our modern interpretations of the geological and fossil records. And the odds on Moses being able to speculate accurately on the order of creation are astronomical.

- Day (epoch) one: the Big Bang (or something similar to it) and the creation of a material universe;
- Day (epoch) two: the development of an atmosphere and water on planet earth;
- Day (epoch) three: the emergence of land and plant life;
- Day (epoch) four: the semi-permanent orbits of earth around the sun and the moon around the earth;
- Day (epoch) five: animal life first in water, then on land (birds);
- Day (epoch) six: land animals and, finally, man.

Keep in mind, too, that an eternal, omnipotent, omniscient god-source experiences time only as creative tool. The creation itself has been subjected to temporal existence, but the Creator has not.

Man, as a temporal being, even as a temporal spirit being, cannot fathom eternal timelessness or omniscience. Therefore, the length of time in the creative days as given in Genesis 1 and 2 is unlikely to indicate twenty-four hour periods of time, and was more likely given to man by revelation to indicate the creative order and the fullness of God’s preparation for the spirit being He created for a covenant relationship with Him.

I do not lean toward this interpretation because it more easily coincides with the geological record. I lean toward this interpretation, because the Creator, through

revelation, told his covenant being, man, that the creation itself was a revelation of His existence and His omnipotence. (Romans 1:18-20 quoted at the beginning of the article)

Thus, He would not have hidden or directly contradicted what He knew man would discover by observation and inquiry concerning the order of creation and the vast, almost incomprehensible (to us) temporal event of creation.

If He intended to reveal Himself to man in nature, He would not also deliberately fool man into believing that the creation is billions of years old when it was really only six 24 hour days old plus a few thousand years.

The fossil record and the geologic record do reveal an eternal timeless, omniscient, omnipotent god-source Creator whose creation of a vast, complex universe, and the creation of time itself, all for His covenant being, man.

No Hebrew scholar can definitively claim that the creation account recorded in Genesis can only be interpreted to mean six 24 hour days instead of six creative epochs, and Romans 1:18-20 tells us that He deliberately provided His covenant creation with proof in the creation itself that the creative “days” were glorious, elaborate, amazingly complex epochs of creation, all for the benefit of man.

But it was the covenant man, Adam, who broke the covenant and caused the created universe to be subjected to “futility” or deterioration by the Creator.

Although it seems arrogant in the extreme to believe that the entire material universe was created for man, we have to remember that it is no more difficult for an omnipotent god-source to create a vast universe over billions of years than it is to create a single carbon atom.

The greatest debate, though, between agnostic materialists and Christians is not evolution per se, but the rationalists’ conclusion that man, as a species, has been on earth much longer than the 6000-8000 years put forth by Christian Bible scholars on the basis of genealogies in the book of Genesis.

As a Bible scholar myself, I have to say that the Bible does not authoritatively give the age of man, either in genealogies or in any direct way. These are suppositions, and those who make them will not dare to say that they are anything other than suppositions.

What we do know is that God created one genetically perfect man and one genetically perfect woman as spirit beings uniquely joined to physical bodies so that with their bodies they related to the natural creation and with their spirits to the spiritual.

Their souls (mind, emotions, and will) received information from both sources and they could choose a response to either.

The angelic being, Lucifer (“Light-Bearer”), one of the three great archangels of God, was given initial authority over the created material universe, but the Creator’s creation of a covenant being, Adam, and, out of Adam, a covenant woman, Eve, ended Lucifer’s dominion over the material universe.

Lucifer’s response was to rebel against the Creator and to usurp the authority given to man by causing man to worship him, directly or indirectly, as “god”, thus thwarting the Creator’s purpose in the creation of man and, at the same time, fulfilling Lucifer’s desire to retain authority over the material universe.

Lucifer continues to accomplish this task through false religion, empowered by his own inherent spiritual powers as he masquerades as an angel of light, and, through his dark, openly evil side. But the purpose of both is to oppose the will of the Creator for His covenant being, man.

...for even Satan disguises himself as an angel of light. Therefore it is not surprising if his servants...(men, not demons)... also disguise themselves as servants of righteousness, whose end will be according to their deeds. 2 Corinthians 11:14,15 NASB

A brief recap is needed before I discuss the Creator's provision for the rescue and restoration of his covenant being, man, and the material universe.

1. The Creator is a timeless, omniscient god-source, and both the spiritual and the material universes were created by Him and exist in Him.
2. The material, temporal, limited universe is a deliberate manifestation of the Creator, held together by spiritual force, for the Creator's purpose of manifesting Himself to a created, sentient spirit-being with dual citizenship in both the spiritual universe and the material universe.
3. The created being, man, with the capacity to respond to both the spiritual and material universe, has been given free will to receive or reject his covenant status with the Creator.
4. The original created covenant being, Adam, rejected his covenant status with the Creator through his response to the deception of a powerful created spirit-being, Lucifer, who usurped man's authority over the material universe and usurped the worship of the Creator by His created being, man.
5. The entire material creation has been subjected to deterioration by the Creator because of the broken covenant, but He has provided a means for the restoration of man to covenant status and the ultimate restoration of the material universe.

An inductive examination of the world's religions from primitive animistic religion to every diverse form of religious activity known to man can be reduced ultimately to a single point of division.

It is either a religion of works and spiritual techniques, or it is a religion of grace. All of the world's religions, other than Christianity, involve religious works of man to appease the god-source(s) and techniques and initiations into various levels of "spiritual" awareness (occult connections to spiritual information), an impartation in which spiritual information and spiritual powers are given to man.

Lucifer, masquerading as an angel of light, empowers all of these religions, from witchcraft and sorcery to the high and lofty ideals of various ancient and modern religions and spiritual paths of "enlightenment". But the secret goal behind all of these is to thwart the Creator's purpose for His creation, and to usurp the worship of men.

Thus, all false religion counterfeits in some way, the Creator's real impartation of spiritual knowledge and power.

At the same time, the struggle between the false and the real is seen by an unbelieving world as "foolishness", which perfectly fulfills the purpose of man's enemy, Lucifer.

For since in the wisdom of God the world through its wisdom did not come to know God, God was well-pleased through the foolishness of the message preached to save those who believe. 1 Corinthians 1:21 NASB

The “foolishness” of the gospel (“good news”) is that the Creator caused His own Spirit to be born in the flesh as a man, Jesus of Nazareth, the physical son of Mary, who was of the lineage of David, and the step-son of Joseph, who was also of the lineage of David. (See “Mysteries of the Virgin Birth Revealed”)

Jesus of Nazareth, who called Himself “the Son of Man”, stripped Himself of all godly power as He fulfilled all the covenant law and the expanded law of the prophets. The miracles and works were the result of the Creator’s power manifesting itself in the man, Jesus, through the man’s faith and obedience to the revelation of the Creator’s perfect will, and not through this man’s own power as “God”.

Thus Paul called him “the second Adam”, the man who was born without the fallen nature and walked perfectly in the covenant requirements as a man, thus qualifying as a “lamb without spot or blemish” who could be sacrificed as an offering for the sins of all men.

This “foolishness” of the Creator cannot be understood or received by a man or a woman unless it is spiritually revealed.

Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, so that we may know the things freely given to us by God, which things we also speak, not in words taught by human wisdom, but in those taught by the Spirit, combining spiritual thoughts with spiritual words.

But a natural man does not accept the things of the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness to him; and he cannot understand them, because they are spiritually appraised. 1 Corinthians 2:12-14 NASB

This “spiritual appraisal” is like the master of calculus explaining to the master of algebra, the higher order of math. Calculus is not naturally observable from within the algebraic paradigm, but, when calculus is “revealed” to the master of algebra, it becomes observable from his new viewpoint of enlightenment.

Otherwise the very idea of calculus is “foolishness” to him.

Thus, the Truth (deliberate capital “T”) that we are separated from the life and covenant blessings of the Creator because of a broken covenant for which we were not responsible individually but are inheritors at conception and become personally responsible for at some age, must be imparted to us from a higher source.

Intellectually it is “foolishness”. Spiritually it becomes the “wisdom of God”.

Likewise, His free gift of reconciliation into the life and covenant blessings He originally intended for His creation, man, through man’s acceptance of God’s grace, thus imparted to his spirit by revelation (the spiritual process through which the Creator imparts His Truth, His covenant promises, and His will), causes a miraculous event to take place.

What is even more amazing is that this Truth, once received and believed, becomes increasingly self-revealing and self-evident as the old master of algebra gradually becomes a master of calculus.

Eventually, even the origin and purpose of the universe becomes crystal clear, and the desire to share this Truth with others who are still limited to their natural intellects and, possibly, to perverse, deceptive spiritual impartations from sources intent on their destruction, becomes an activity that we cannot resist, even though we know that others consider this Truth to be “foolishness”.

The Truth, absolute truth in a format we can understand, is available, and it is both self-revealing and self-confirming to the one who overcomes his own intellectual pride, the negative emotions caused by believers who have given “Calculus” a bad name, and simply asks for the Truth to be revealed to him/her.

The Creator guarantees it, and the author testifies to it.

Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives, and the one who seeks finds, and to the one who knocks it will be opened. Matthew 7:7,8 NASB