

The Creative Days

A Testimony Against Religious Tradition Devoid of Revelation

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Every elementary student in the United States and the western world is confronted by the apparent conflict between what is taught in the public schools and what is taught in Sunday School about the creation. And, without revelatory confirmation, parents and authorities in the church argue what they presume is the “faith” position, that God created the universe, the earth, and all living things on the earth in six, twenty-four hour days.

But is this really the “faith” position? Does Genesis really present the creation of the material universe, the earth, and mankind as taking place in six twenty-four hour days?

Do not be alarmed. I am not presenting an evolutionist point of view. I am a Creationist, and so was Albert Einstein, the great twentieth century mathematician and physicist who declared that the ordered existence of space, time, and matter demonstrates an intelligent, deliberate, eternal, and non-material origin. Yet, his logical, intellectually perceived conclusion did not lead him to a revelatory awareness of that origin.

What concerns me is that the church apparently finds it easier to challenge science than it does to challenge traditional, commonly held religious beliefs, even if those beliefs are erroneous.

Creationist attempts to present scientific evidence that the history of the earth and all creation is much, much shorter than the time periods claimed by astrologists, physicists, geologists and biologists is an example of the church ignoring the weight of empirical scientific evidence rather than re-examining our tradition of interpreting the creative days as being 24 hour periods of time.

But we are not the only ones guilty of honoring tradition over an inductive examination of the facts, and it is easily demonstrated that there is absolutely no verifiable scientific evidence of any kind for the biological evolution of species (i.e. speciation) at any level, which is a HUGE conundrum for evolutionary “science” at this present time.

Yet, in spite of the controversy of opinion within the scientific community, the tradition of evolution is being taught without question as a “traditional” established fact, when it is NOT a fact, but an unproven theory.

Where the church of Jesus Christ has erred, because we are apparently unaware of the revelatory truth contained in scripture as that truth relates to the

creation, is in our acceptance of the six literal twenty-four hour day interpretation on the basis of the presumed authority of traditional interpretations that came down to us from a time when there was no reason to believe anything other than the six literal day interpretation.

Before Charles Darwin, when the sciences of astrology, physics, geology and biology were not advanced to the point of recognizing the age of the universe or the age of the earth, the six, literal 24 hour “day” interpretation of Genesis became the traditional interpretation of the creative days. And we have not been willing to back down from that traditional understanding even though the written text allows another meaning.

What this exposes is the household of God’s tendency to give religious tradition more authority than it deserves, as though tradition equals truth, rather than the revelatory understanding of scripture equals truth, and it demonstrates the power of tradition devoid of revelation to inhibit the absolute, immutable, revelatory truth of God.

As an example, Protestants believe, and can demonstrate, that Roman Catholic tradition is filled with false doctrine, but they are blind to the fact that the somnolent church’s division into thousands of denominations and conflicting traditions today reveals, not only to us, but to the whole world, that our divisive doctrinal positions are proof of the existence of massive amounts of supposed “truth” that is in reality “error.”

The conclusion for them is that we do not know the truth. And the conclusion demanded by logic for us is that tradition does not automatically equal truth.

Therefore, the escapist attitude of many born-again, regenerated believers in Jesus Christ is that we will not know the answer to certain difficult questions like this until we are in the heavenly presence of the Creator Himself.

Yet, the author of biblical scripture, the Spirit of truth, has clearly revealed that the creation itself is evidence of a timeless, omniscient, purposeful Creator, and, if we are to believe God, we are compelled to confess that true science and the revelatory understanding of biblical scripture are not ultimately in disagreement.

For that which is known about God is evident to them and made plain in their inner consciousness...(revelatory understanding)..., because God [Himself] has shown it to them.

For ever since the creation of the world His invisible nature and attributes, that is, His eternal power and divinity have been made intelligible and clearly discernible ...(to the rational mind)... in and through the things that have been made ...(the creation itself)... – His handiworks. So

[men] are without ... (rational, scientific)... excuse – altogether without any defense or justification;

Because when they knew and recognized Him as the God... (the origin of creation)..., they did not honor and glorify Him as the God, or give Him thanks... (for their existence)... But instead they became futile and godless in their thinking – with vain... (man-creature centered)... imaginations, foolish reasoning and stupid... (non-revelatory)... speculations – and their senseless minds were darkened... (so that they no longer received the light of revelatory understanding).

Claiming to be wise, they became fools – professing to be smart, they made simpletons of themselves. Romans 1:19-22 Amplified (inserts and emphasis are the author's)

The question we have to ask ourselves is why we Christians (speaking of the corporate whole, but not of all believers) make claims for scriptural truth concerning the creation that are not evident in revelatory scripture, much less evident in the creation?

Would the Creator provide evidence in the creation itself that would deceive men, and then hold them accountable for being deceived?

God forbid.

Therefore, if the evidence that God has provided in the creation itself, and perceivable by man, leads us to conclude that the creation account in Genesis cannot be six 24 hour days, should we not then re-examine the creation account with minds open to the revelatory truth of the Creator rather than deny the natural evidence purposely planted by the Creator in the creation itself?

The Hebrew word for “day,” transliterated from the Hebrew as *yom*, as in “Yom Kippur,” the day of atonement, is the word used in Genesis for the six creative days. It is also used in all OT references to “the day of the Lord,” which is not a reference to a single day, but to an event beginning with His appearance in the sky on the last day of this present age, called by John, “the first resurrection,” and including all of the events through the ordination of our Lord, Jesus Christ, the Messiah, to begin the kingdom age.

Therefore, the *yom* “day of the Lord” will begin on some future 1 Tishrei and end on the following 21 Tishrei according to God’s calendar of appointed times and feasts of the Lord given to Israel in Leviticus 23.

Likewise, the seventh *yom* “day” began when the creative days were complete, and this *yom* “day” has not, yet, ended.

Yom, then, can be interpreted in much the same way that “day” can be interpreted in English. It can mean a twenty-four hour span of time, or it can

mean an eon or epoch with an unspecified amount of time between a definite beginning and a definite ending.

And there was evening and there was morning, one day. Genesis 1:5

Literalist Bible scholars clinging to the traditional, literal interpretation, see this as being absolute proof of a literal 24 hour creative day.

Yet, biblical scripture contains a massive amount of metaphorical language that requires supernatural “guidance” by the Spirit of Truth, the author of biblical scripture, in order to be accurately understood and received by men.

When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth...
John 16:13 ESV

This revelatory “guidance” is like a supernatural light that causes men to “see,” comprehend, recognize, and confirm truth that is not apparent to the intellect alone. And, as I have proclaimed frequently, as it relates to the obvious division of the somnolent, corporate body of Christ, the intellect divides, and the Spirit unites, instantly alerting us that the corporate body of Christ as a whole is being “guided” more by intellect than by the Spirit. And, as a result, we honor non-Spirit revealed intellectual religious traditions passed down through the generations as though they are revelatory when, in fact, they are not.

And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.
Genesis 1:31 ESV

Here we see the rationale for the Jewish day beginning at 6pm rather than beginning at 12:01am. And Bible scholars, clinging to the traditional interpretation of the creative day as being a 24 hour time frame, note that an ordinal number (“sixth”) is indicated here, supposedly favoring a literal interpretation.

But when viewed metaphorically it reads like this: **“And there was a beginning and an ending to the sixth eon of creation.”**

The consensus of almost all biblical scholars is that there is no absolute, intellectual way to determine how the word, *yom*, is intended in the Genesis account of creation. Therefore, the preference is for the tradition of interpreting it as meaning a 24 hour day. But it is my claim that the revelatory truth intended by the Spirit of Truth is that the creative days were “eons” with a definite beginning and a definite ending, rather than 24 hour days, and it is only our intellectual

need to cling to the illegitimate authority of religious tradition that prevents us from receiving and confirming the revelatory truth in this matter.

And, yet, to our surprise, the revelatory truth is entirely logical.

As we read the Genesis account the one thing that should get our attention, is that the order of creation described in biblical scripture follows the exact pattern of our modern interpretations of astrology, physics, and biology, as well as the geological and fossil records.

We should also recognize that the odds on Moses being able to speculate accurately on the order of creation are astronomical. Therefore, the Genesis account is itself one of many proofs that Biblical scripture was God-breathed.

Day (eon) one: the Big Bang (or something similar to it) and the creation of a material universe, including time, space, matter, and energy;

Day (eon) two: the development of an atmosphere and water on planet earth;

Day (eon) three: the emergence of land and plant life;

Day (eon) four: the semi-permanent orbits of earth around the sun and the moon around the earth;

Day (eon) five: the continued emergence of plant and animal life, first in water, then on land (birds);

Day (eon) six: land animals and, finally, man.

This is absolute, shocking proof that Moses, who could not have been intellectually aware of the order of creation, received that information by supernatural revelation from the Creator Himself.

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.

Neither millions of years, 24 hours, or a single micro-second limit an omniscient, timeless, Creator-God. The entire universe could have been brought into existence in its present state instantaneously by the will of God.

Why, then, did He choose to create an expanding, constantly changing universe that includes a long, six stage creative development of the planet where He would place His created spirit-being man at the end of the sixth “day” to begin the final eon of the natural creation in which the great drama of God’s created spirit-being man would unfold?

My answer is why not? Why not set the stage with an unknowable universe beyond our present ability to comprehend and a planet already rich with a diverse

creative history as “evidence” just to awe the mind of His created spirit-being, man, whom He deliberately created to be, not only the steward over all the natural creation, but created to have a permanent covenant relationship with Himself?”

As an interim note, the number of man is six (6) and the number of God is one (1). And what we find illustrated in scripture from Genesis all the way through Revelation is that seven (7), man plus God, is God in the form of the Son, permanently linked with His created spirit-being, man, as Jesus Christ, the Messiah and redeemer of an elect remnant of mankind all the way from Adam to the last millennial saint.

And it is this God-man, Jesus Christ, that the great seventh “day” drama is intended to reveal in and through His corporate body, the church, of which He, and He alone, is head.

We are, therefore, now at that point in this seventh “day” drama where it appears that the villain will triumph over the protagonist, but the ending of this seventh “day” drama has been scripted by the Author of all existence. And He has given us the script in advance so that we will not grow weary and lose heart at the height of the villain’s dominance.

This current “day” is not a creative day but a day in which the six previous creative days were used by the Creator to set the stage for the finale of the Great Drama of mankind, the “day” that will ultimately reveal the fullness of the glory of Jesus Christ, the Son of God and Son of Man who loved us and gave His life for us.

Let us not, then, limit our omniscient, timeless Creator and God, by honoring traditions established by the speculative imaginations of men as though they are truth, when the absolute, immutable truth of God is so much more glorious.

Because He has demonstrated both in God-breathed scripture and in the creation itself, that He painted the creation on a much bigger canvas than we have ever imagined, and He has joined us permanently to Himself in this creation through our incorporation into the spiritual body of Christ.

We, therefore, look forward to the time when this present “day” ends, when God will create a final eternal “day,” a day with a beginning, but without end, in which the natural creation will be renovated by spiritual fire to become our eternal home.

For, behold, I create new heavens and a new earth: and the former shall not be remembered, nor come into mind. Isaiah 65:17 KJV

See [Origin of the Universe and the Purpose of Man](#) for a more lengthy treatise on this subject.